

The Philippine Statistical Capacity Building Initiatives: Past and Future

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The Philippine Statistical System is mandated to deliver quality statistical information to the public. One major strategy to bring this about is to continuously upgrade the quality of statistical personnel and expand the statistical manpower base that will undertake statistical work and contribute to the improvement of statistical activities. Through the Statistical Research and Training Center, the System's statistical research and training arm, many comprehensive and integrated training programs were developed on the theories, concepts and methodologies for the promotion of the statistical system and conducted various trainings to address the statistical capacity building requirements of the entire civil service in the country both at national and sub-national levels, and of international clients as well. Looking forward, while continuously undertaking capacity building initiatives, the Center in consultation with other agencies has developed statistical programs to address the major issues and challenges identified for statistical human resource development. This paper discusses statistical capacity building achievements for the past 25 years and statistical programs set for the next 5 years.

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