

**TABLE 17B Percent Distribution of Unemployed Persons Looking for Work by Number of Weeks Looking for Work, by Sex and Region: April 2012**

Sex and Region	Total	Number of Weeks Looking for Work				Mean Number of Weeks Looking for Work
		Less than 4	4 - 9	10 - 19	20 and over	
<b>Philippines</b>						
<b>Both Sexes</b>	<b>1,424</b>	<b>844</b>	<b>411</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>4.9</b>
Number (in thousands)						
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	
Male	58.3	57.3	58.8	59.0	67.8	5.2
Female	41.7	42.7	41.2	41.0	32.2	4.5
<b>REGION</b>						
NCR - National Capital Region	22.9	21.0	28.8	21.8	11.9	4.5
CAR - Cordillera Administrative Region	1.5	1.1	2.1	1.8	2.2	5.8
I - Ilocos Region	5.1	4.2	6.8	7.5	2.6	5.6
II - Cagayan Valley	1.4	1.2	1.4	2.9	1.9	5.5
III - Central Luzon	11.9	13.3	10.8	7.3	7.5	4.1
IV-A - CALABARZON	17.8	17.5	15.9	27.5	18.7	5.7
IV-B - MIMAROPA	2.3	2.5	2.3	0.6	1.4	3.7
V - Bicol Region	5.3	6.3	3.8	2.8	5.1	3.9
VI - Western Visayas	6.5	5.7	6.2	11.6	11.4	6.7
VII - Central Visayas	8.7	11.1	7.3	0.8	-	2.4
VIII - Eastern Visayas	2.7	3.5	1.2	1.3	5.0	4.1
IX - Zamboanga Peninsula	1.8	0.9	2.4	3.1	6.7	8.5
X - Northern Mindanao	3.5	2.5	2.7	6.1	17.5	10.7
XI - Davao Region	4.1	4.4	4.2	3.2	1.4	3.7
XII - SOCCSKSARGEN	2.2	2.5	1.5	0.8	5.5	6.5
Caraga	1.8	1.9	2.4	-	-	3.2
ARMM - Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.9	1.2	9.2

Source: National Statistics Office, April 2012 Labor Force Survey