

# FACT SHEET

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## ARMM Simple Literacy Rate was recorded at 88.7 percent

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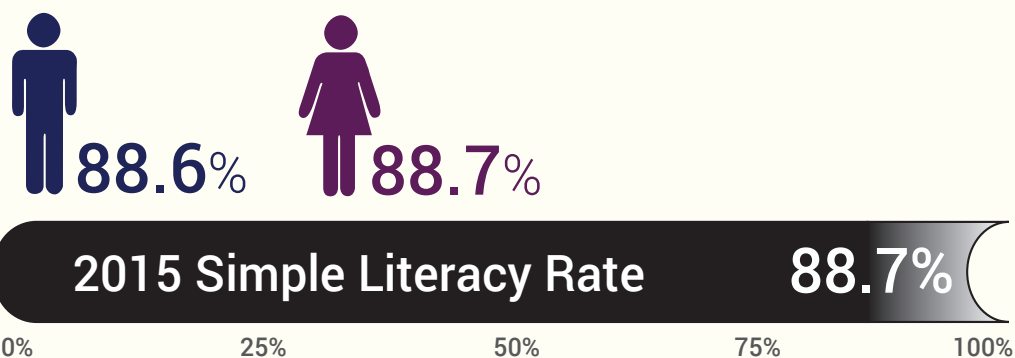
The literacy rate of ARMM, based on the 2015 Census of Population, is 88.6 percent among the 2,680,017 household population aged 10 years old and over. This literacy rate is higher compared to the result obtained during the 2010 Census of Population which was 80.3 percent. The criterion for considering a person as literate is if he/she is able to read and write a simple message in any language or dialect.

**Table 1. Literacy of ARMM's Household Population 10 Years Old and over by Year of Census of Population and Sex**

YEAR	HOUSEHOLD POPULATION 10 YEARS OLD AND OVER			LITERATE		
	Both Sexes	Male	Female	Both Sexes	Male	Female
2015	2,680,017	1,327,827	1,352,190	2,375,928	1,176,083	1,199,845
2010	2,318,909	1,145,290	1,173,619	1,861,753	920,103	941,650

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

Comparing the two groups of population, the 2015 POPCEN showed that the female population has a higher literacy rate at 88.7 percent while the male population has 88.6 percent. This result differs with the one obtained during the 2010 Census on Population and Housing where the female population has slightly lower literacy rate at 80.2 percent compared to the male population with 80.3 percent.



### Technical Notes

Household population - comprises of persons who belong to a household, the basic criterion of which is the usual place of residence or the place where the person usually resides.

Simple Literacy rate - the proportion of persons aged 10 years and over are able to read and write a simple message in any language or dialect