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Three out of ten senior citizens in the City of Manila are widowed (Results from 2015 Census of Population)

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Senior Citizen is defined as any person aged sixty (60) years or over. (Source: Republic Act 9994, Section 3.A). Globally, older persons refer to those aged 60 years or over.

70 males per 100 females is recorded sex ratio among senior citizens

The household population of senior citizens in the city was 118,222 or 6.70 percent to the total household population. From this number, 48,855 or 41.32 percent were males; and 69,367 or 58.68 percent were females resulting to a sex ratio of 70 males per 100 females.

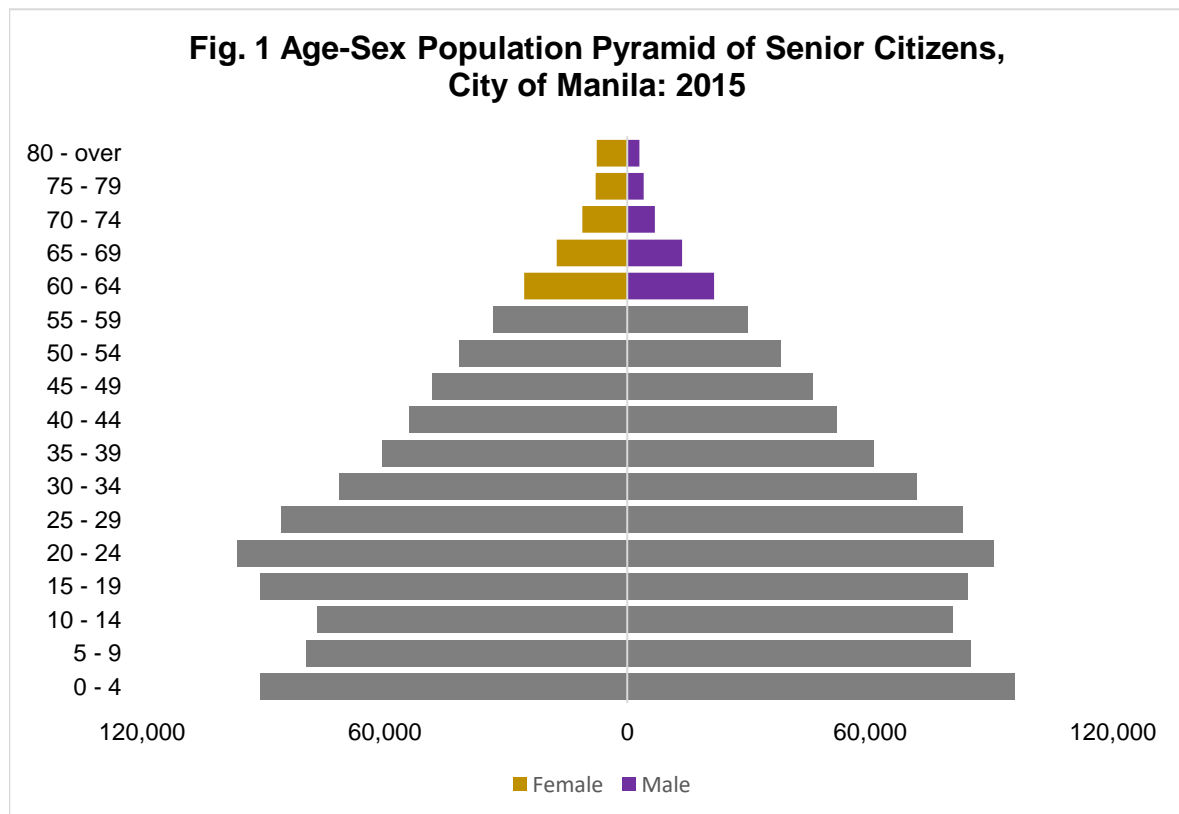
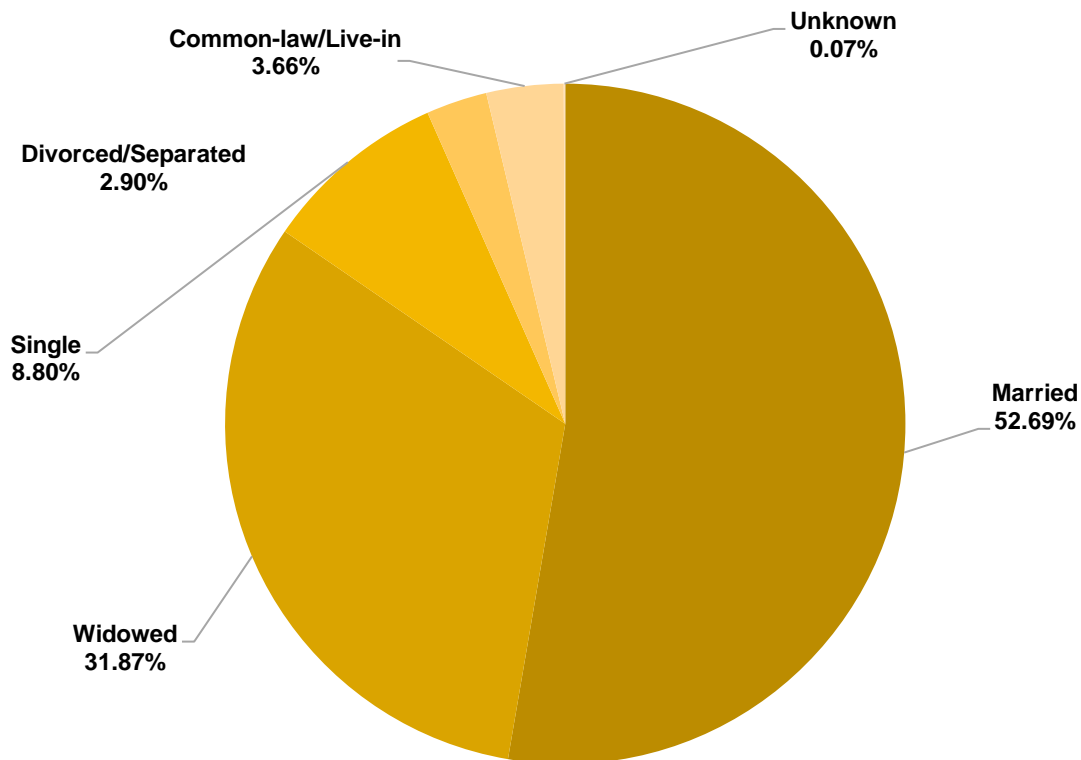


Figure 1 shows the age-sex population highlighting the portion of senior citizens in the City of Manila as of the last census in 2015. Age-group 80 years old and over recorded a total share of 8.96 percent to the population of senior citizens where most females outnumbered males. The figure also depicts that females tend to live longer than males.

More than half of the population of senior citizens are still married

More than half of the population of senior citizens or 52.69 percent (62,297) were still in compact of marriage; while 31.87 percent (37,679) were already widowed. Those singles or who were ever since unmarried were at 8.80 percent (10,403). Figure 2 shows the percentage distribution of senior citizens in the city by their marital status.

Fig. 2 Percentage Distribution of Senior Citizens by Marital Status, City of Manila: 2015



Note: Details may not add up to 100 percent due to rounding off.

99.69 percent of the senior citizens are literate

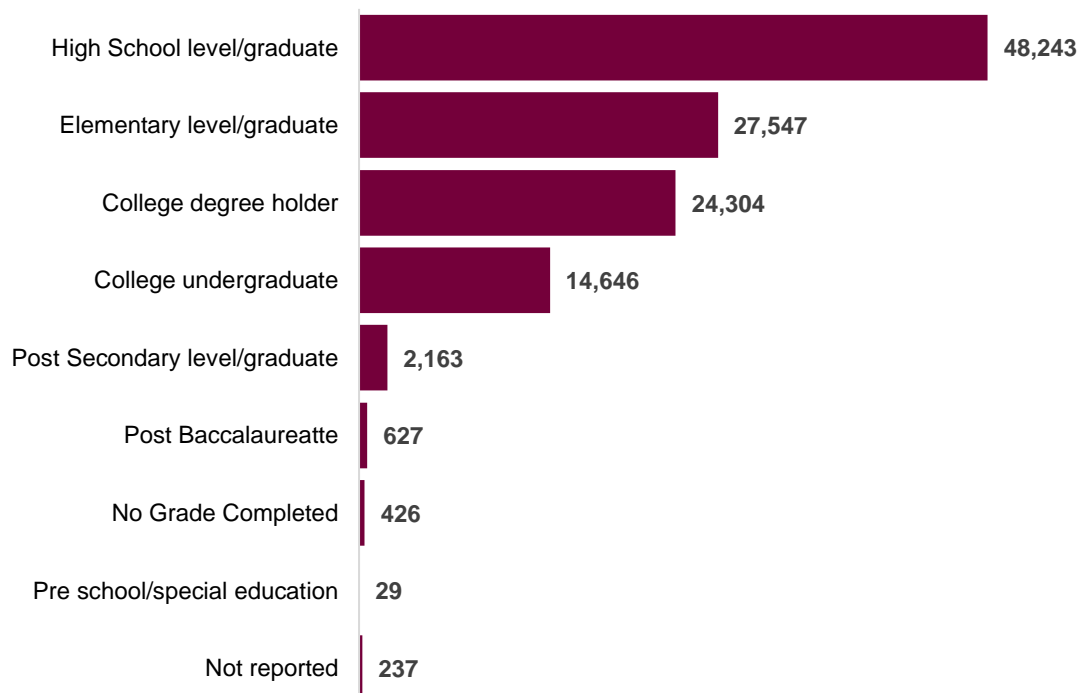


A total of 117,855 or 99.69 percent of the population of senior citizens were literate or those who can read and write simple messages. The literacy rate among male senior citizens was recorded at 99.83; while, 99.59 was recorded among female citizens. Only 367 or 0.31 percent were recorded illiterates.

Most of the senior citizens are high school graduate or attained high school level

Among the senior citizens, 40.81 percent or 48,243 were high school graduate or attained high school level. Almost one-fourth, 23.30 percent (27,547), of them were graduate of elementary or attained elementary level. Meanwhile, 0.36 percent (426) senior citizens were recorded of no grade completion or those who have not attained at least basic level of education.

Fig. 3 Highest Grade Completed of Senior Citizens, City of Manila: 2015



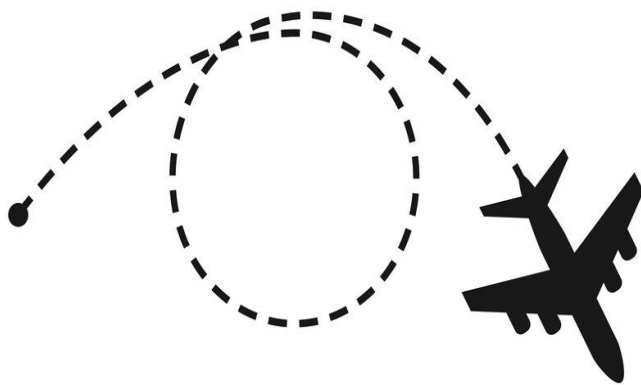
Six out of 10 senior citizens are declared as household head

The *head of the household* is an adult person, male or female, who is responsible for the organization and care of the household, or who is regarded as such by the members of the household. A total of 71,633 or 60.59 percent of the senior citizens were declared or regarded as household head. Among the household heads, 40,533 (56.58%) of them were males, while 31,100 (43.42%) were females.

460 senior citizens are regarded as domestic helpers

The Labor Code of the Philippines defines "domestic or household service" as a "service in the employer's home" that provides convenience and personal comfort to the employer. Domestic helpers include maids, cooks, *yayas* (nannies), drivers and all-around helpers. Based on the results of 2015 Census of Population (PopCen), in the City of Manila, there were 460 senior citizens (0.39%) were regarded as domestic helpers in a household.

1.09 percent of senior citizens are overseas filipino workers

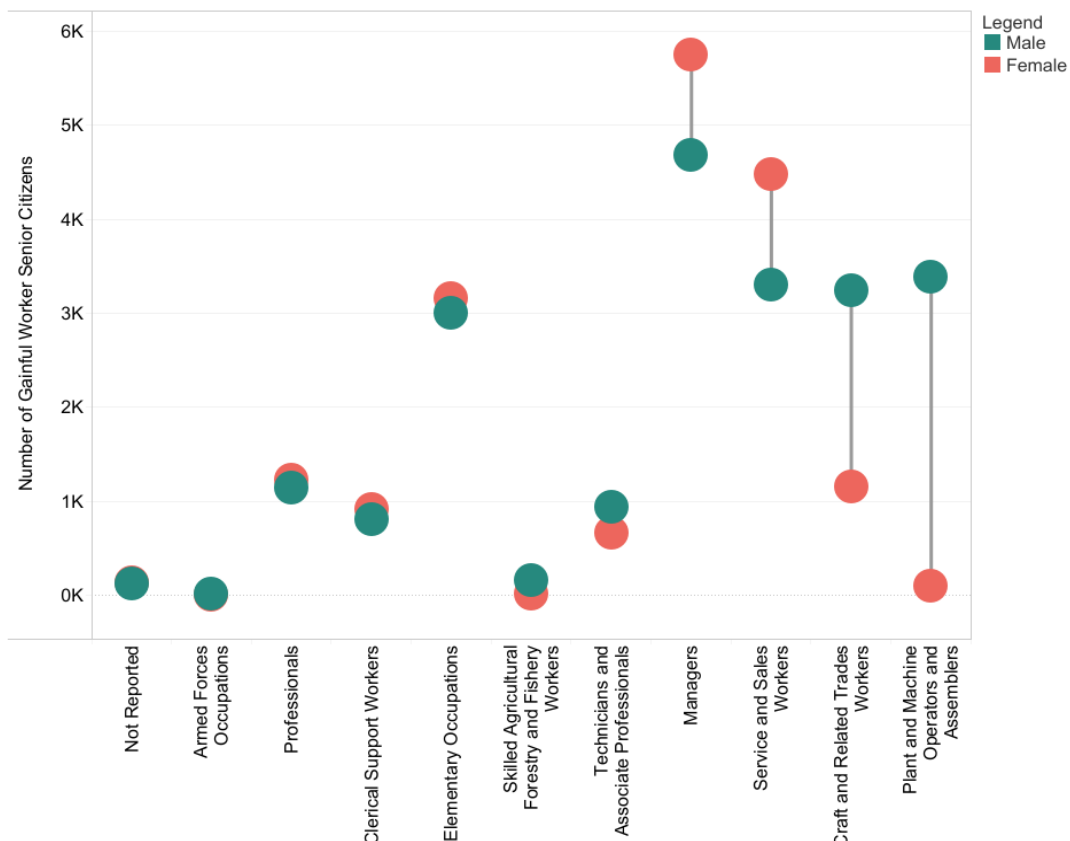


A total of 1,292 senior citizens (1.09%) were overseas Filipino workers. A household member who is an **overseas worker** is *one who is currently out of the country due to overseas employment*. He/she may or may not have a specific work contract or may be presently at home on vacation but has an existing overseas employment to return to.

More than one-fourth of senior citizens are managers; more female managers than males

More than one-fourth or 10,429 of the senior citizens to total gainful workers of 38,381 in the city were working as managers. This was followed by the service and sales workers with 20.24 percent or a total of 7,768. The figure 4 shows the gender gap based on major classification of occupations that senior citizens have. The graph shows that the longer the line, the bigger the gap with respect to number of senior citizens by occupations. Moreover, it also revealed that most women were managers and service and sales workers and the gap of number of male and female senior citizen professionals was minimal. Meanwhile, on the occupations which need physical strength like plant and machine operators, male still dominate.

Fig. 4 Usual Activity of Senior Citizens by Sex, City of Manila: 2015



Nine out of ten senior citizens have ever had a copy of their birth certificate

From the results of 2015 PopCen, a total of 113,569 or 96.06 percent of senior citizens has ever had a copy of their birth certificate. While, 3.37 percent or 3,983 has never had a copy of their birth certificate; and 0.57 percent or 670 answered don't know or not reported. This means that some senior citizens have never seen or handled a copy of their birth certificate. The purpose of collecting these data is to determine the extent of birth registration in the country. Low registration of births would prompt policy makers and program managers to devise measures to increase the level of birth registration.

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Table 1. Household Population of Senior Citizens by Age-group and Sex, City of Manila: 2015

Age-group	Sex		
	Total	Male	Female
Total	118,222	48,855	69,367
60 - 64	46,964	21,433	25,531
65 - 69	30,922	13,514	17,408
70 - 74	17,890	6,820	11,070
75 - 79	11,855	4,067	7,788
80 - over	10,591	3,021	7,570

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 2015 Census of Population

Table 2. Household Population of Senior Citizens by Age-group and Marital Status, City of Manila: 2015

Age-group	Marital Status						
	Total	Single	Married	Widowed	Divorced /Separated	Common-law/Live-in	Unknown
Total	118,222	10,403	62,297	37,679	3,426	4,332	85
60 - 64	46,964	4,167	28,949	9,713	1,769	2,340	26
65 - 69	30,922	2,655	17,533	8,612	918	1,179	25
70 - 74	17,890	1,436	8,525	7,079	404	436	10
75 - 79	11,855	1,125	4,593	5,676	208	240	13
80 - over	10,591	1,020	2,697	6,599	127	137	11

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 2015 Census of Population

Table 3. Literacy of Senior Citizens by Age-group and by Sex, City of Manila: 2015

Age-group	Total			Literate			Illiterate		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Total	118,222	48,855	69,367	117,855	48,774	69,081	367	81	286
60 - 64	46,964	21,433	25,531	46,871	21,405	25,466	93	28	65
65 - 69	30,922	13,514	17,408	30,855	13,493	17,362	67	21	46
70 - 74	17,890	6,820	11,070	17,821	6,812	11,009	69	8	61
75 - 79	11,855	4,067	7,788	11,798	4,051	7,747	57	16	41
80 - over	10,591	3,021	7,570	10,510	3,013	7,497	81	8	73

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 2015 Census of Population

Table 4. Household Population of Senior Citizens by Highest Grade Completed, City of Manila: 2015

	Total	No Grade Completed	Pre-school/ special education	Elementary level/ graduate	High School level/ graduate	Post Secondary level/ graduate	College under- graduate	College degree holder	Post Bacca- laureatte	Not reported
Senior Citizens	118,222	426	29	27,547	48,243	2,163	14,646	24,304	627	237

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 2015 Census of Population

Table 5. Number of Household Head Senior Citizens by Age-group and Sex, City of Manila: 2015

Age-group	Household Population			Household Head		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Total	118,222	48,855	69,367	71,633	40,533	31,100
60 - 64	46,964	21,433	25,531	28,639	18,166	10,473
65 - 69	30,922	13,514	17,408	19,525	11,522	8,003
70 - 74	17,890	6,820	11,070	10,340	5,338	5,002
75 - 79	11,855	4,067	7,788	7,101	3,249	3,852
80 - over	10,591	3,021	7,570	6,028	2,258	3,770

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 2015 Census of Population

Table 6. Number of Domestic Helper Senior Citizens by Age-group and Sex, City of Manila: 2015

Age-group	Household Population			Domestic Helper		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Total	118,222	48,855	69,367	460	21	439
60 - 64	46,964	21,433	25,531	269	11	258
65 - 69	30,922	13,514	17,408	110	4	106
70 - 74	17,890	6,820	11,070	50	5	45
75 - 79	11,855	4,067	7,788	23	1	22
80 - over	10,591	3,021	7,570	8	0	8

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 2015 Census of Population

Table 7. Number of Overseas Worker Senior Citizens by Age-group, City of Manila: 2015

Age-group	Overseas Worker		
	Total	Yes	No
Total	118,222	1,292	116,703
60 - 64	46,964	702	46,205
65 - 69	30,922	343	30,517
70 - 74	17,890	125	17,717
75 - 79	11,855	66	11,755
80 - over	10,591	56	10,509

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 2015 Census of Population

Table 8. Number of Gainful Worker Senior Citizens by Sex, City of Manila: 2015

Usual Occupation	Total	Male	Female
Total	38,381	20,787	17,594
Managers	10,429	4,682	5,747
Professional	2,372	1,146	1,226
Technicians and Associate Professionals	1,604	937	667
Clerical Support Workers	1,720	812	908
Service and Sales Workers	7,768	3,297	4,471
Skilled Agricultural Forestry and Fishery Workers	183	164	19
Craft and Related Trades Workers	4,389	3,236	1,153
Plant and Machine Operators and Assemblers	3,482	3,379	103
Elementary Occupations	6,164	3,003	3,161
Armed Forces Occupations	11	9	2
Not Reported	259	122	137

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 2015 Census of Population

**Table 9. Copy of Birth Certificate of Senior Citizen by Age-group,
City of Manila: 2015**

Age-group	Total	Yes	No	Don't Know	Not reported
Total	118,222	113,569	3,983	564	106
60 - 64	46,964	45,461	1,319	156	28
65 - 69	30,922	29,830	943	116	33
70 - 74	17,890	16,988	789	93	20
75 - 79	11,855	11,299	457	79	20
80 - over	10,591	9,991	475	120	5

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 2015 Census of Population