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The Philippine Labor Index: Measuring the Country's Progress in Decent Work

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Abstract

The statistics covering the period 2001-2004 presented then have been updated to 2005. The paper chronicles the development of the Philippine Labor Index (PLI), from its conceptualization to the development of its measurement framework including the selection of statistical indicators deemed to translate the concept of decent work into easily understood characteristics of work taking into account national circumstances. It discusses the development of the index methodology, the selection of the final component indicators under the conceptual dimensions of decent work and their goal posts against which progress or deficit will be gauged.

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