



**“ACCELERATING THE ACHIEVEMENT OF MDG-5
THROUGH THE ROLE OF WOMEN PARLIAMENTARIANS
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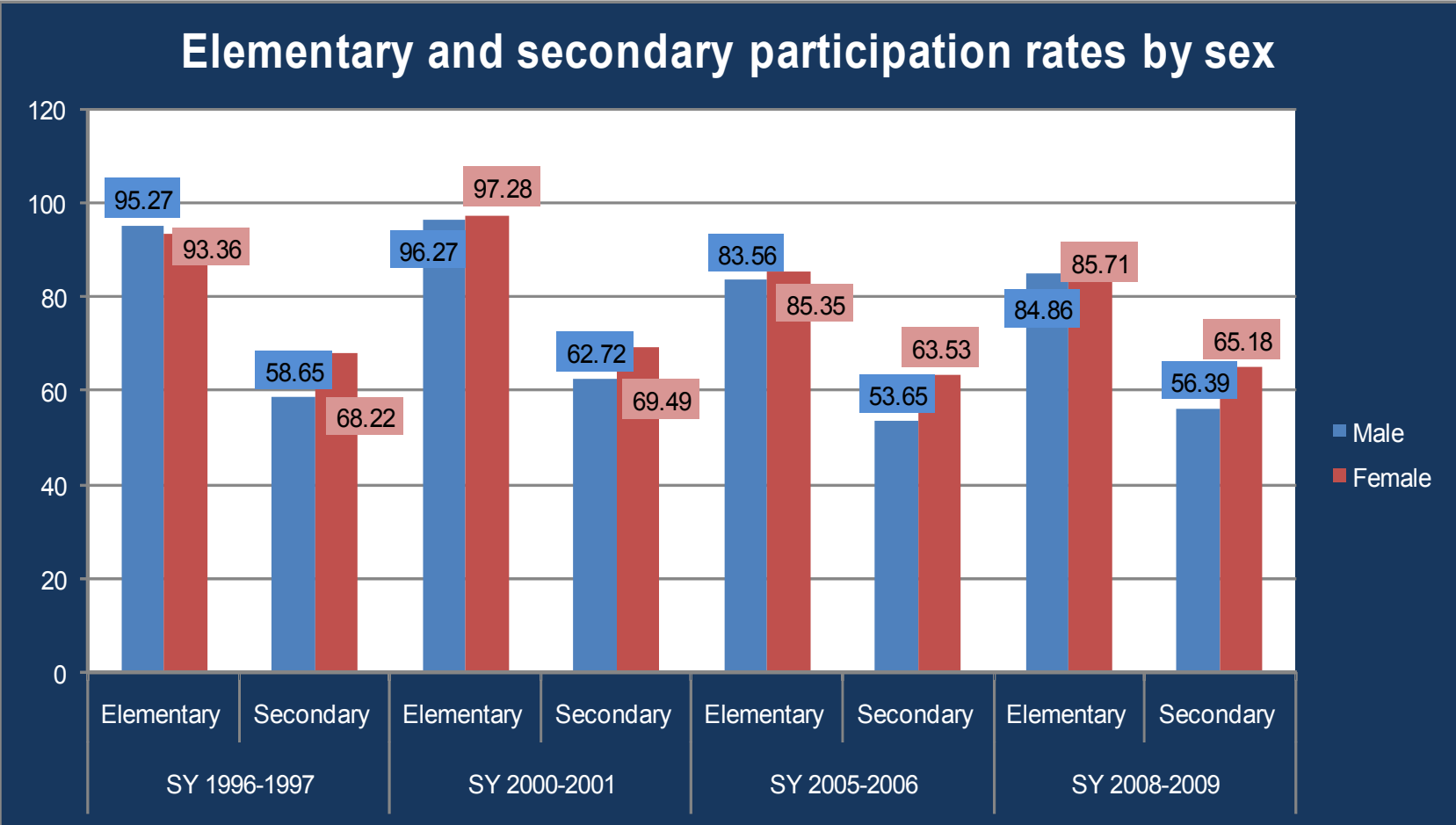
Philippines

Two Millennium Goals

MDG-3 and MDG-5

- **GENDER EQUALITY – Promote gender equality and empower women**
 - **MATERNAL HEALTH – Improve reproductive health care services and reduce maternal death**
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Gender equality in education



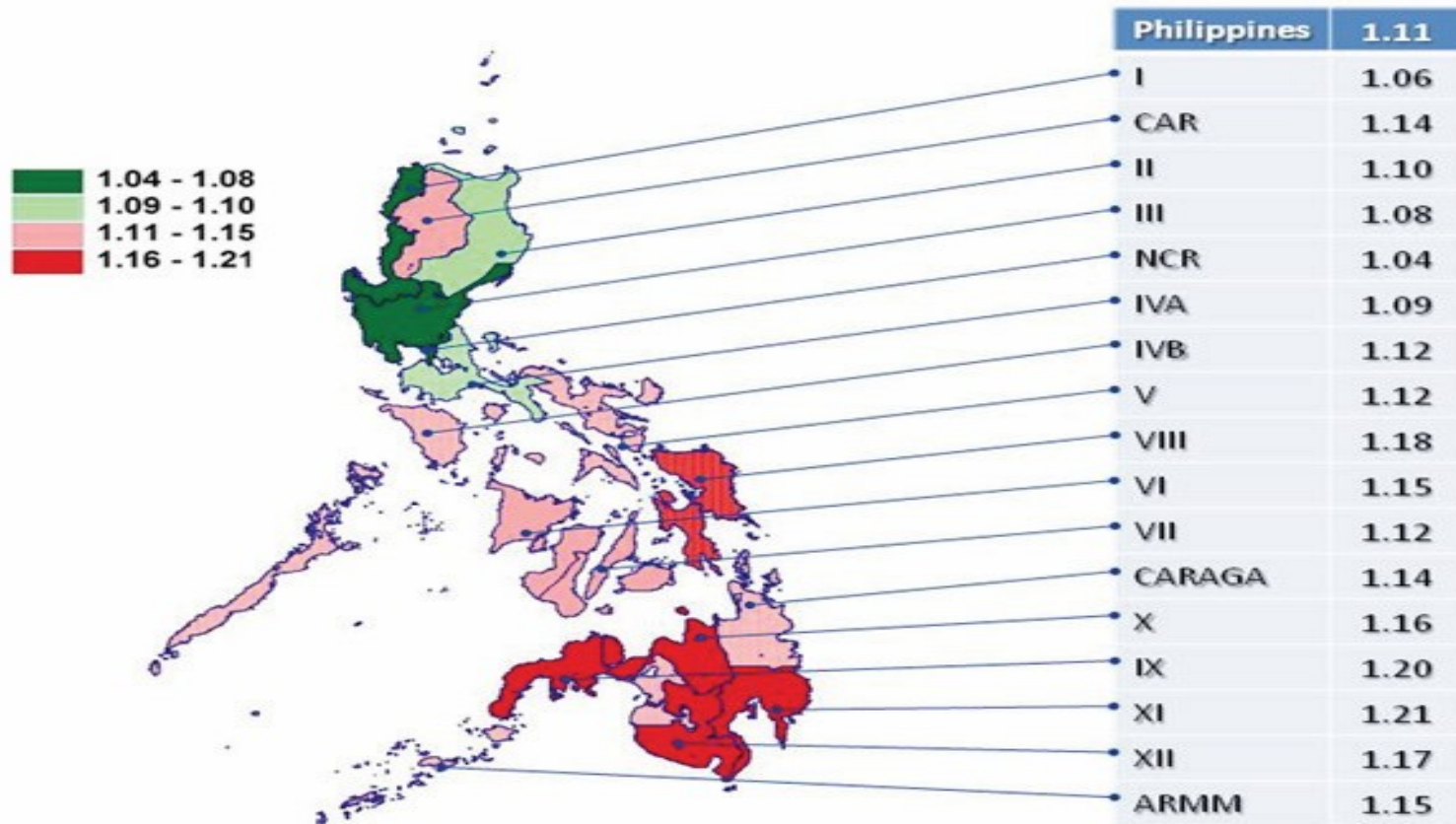
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Education and Literacy

nearly all basic education indicators showed favorable trends for girls

Ratio of girls to boys in elementary education CSR, by region, SY 2008-2009

Source: Department of Education





Philippine Constitution

- **Article II- State Policies**

Section 14. The State recognizes the role of women in nation-building, and shall ensure the fundamental equality before the law of women and men

LAWS that empower women

- **Laws prohibiting discrimination against women in terms of employment and promoting the integration of women as full and equal partners of men in development and nation building**
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Republic Act No. 9262

- **THE ANTI VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND CHILDREN ACT OF 2004**
 - **Violence defined to include emotional and economic abuse as well as failure to support**
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Republic Act No. 9710

Enacted on September 15,

2009

■ **MAGNA CARTA OF WOMEN**

- **The Magna Carta of Women is a comprehensive women's human rights law that seeks to eliminate discrimination against women by recognizing, protecting, fulfilling and promoting the rights of Filipino women, especially those in the marginalized sectors**
 - **Geared towards accelerating participation and equitable representation of women in decision making and policymaking processes in government and private entities.**
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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

- **Legislations under consideration:**
 - **The bill prohibiting discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation and gender identity (House Bill 515)**
 - **The bill providing higher educational opportunities for women and establishing scholarship funds (HB 620)**
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Legislations Under Consideration:

- The bill penalizing supervisors who deny application for leave of absence from by victim-survivor of violence against women and their children (HB 1478)**

 - The bill seeking to strengthen women participation and representation in elective and appointive positions in government (HB 2100)**
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Legislations Under Consideration:

- The bill granting incentives for the development of machines and technology to improve productivity of rural women workers (HB 3149)**
 - The bill empowering women by providing financial, educational, and information assistance in order for them to excel in commerce and trade (HB 3228)**
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Legislations Under Consideration:

- The bill granting protection to working women by granting them the right to know work conditions affecting their health (HB 3471)**

 - The bill intensifying capability training of women to participate in government; and the bill strengthening information drive on reproductive health issues and gender bias to prevent incidence of violence against women**
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Legislations Under Consideration

- **The bill integrating gender issues into school curriculum to promote gender fairness and sensitivity**
 - **The bill establishing interventions on migration and development in order to translate remittances of Overseas Filipino Workers to productive investments**
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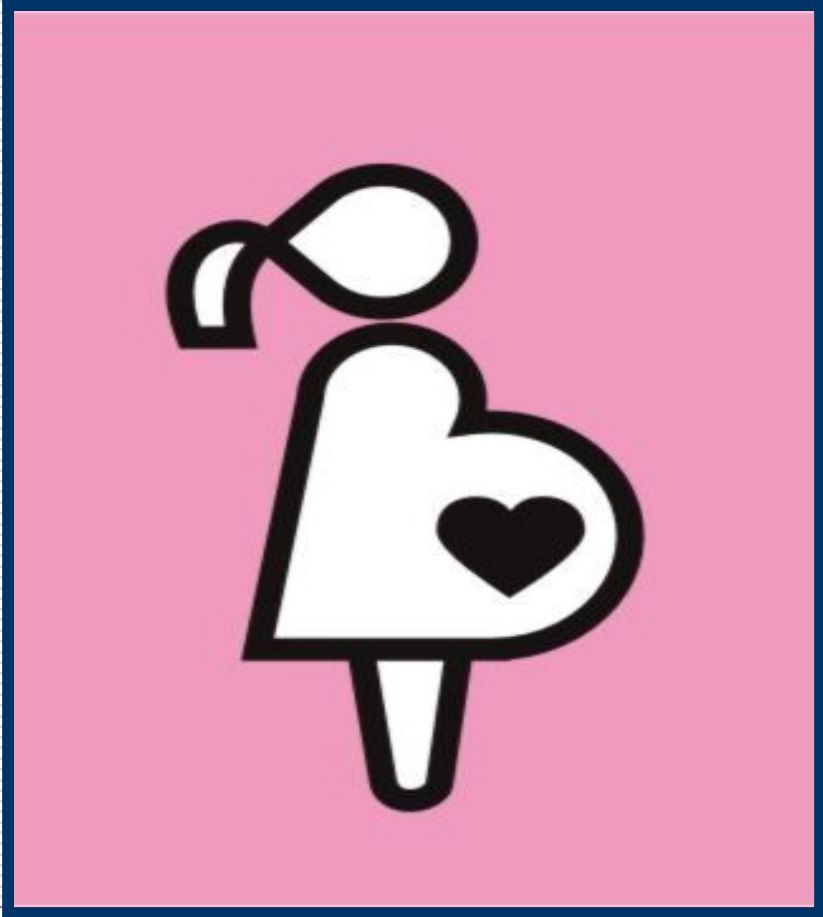
Legislations Under Consideration:

- The bill strengthening women's rights by removing the preference of the father in case of disagreement in the exercise of parental authority (HB 3723)**
 - The bill amending discriminatory provision in the Family Code in accordance with Magna Carta of Women (HB 3844)**
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Gender Equality and Maternal Health



The passage of the Reproductive Health Bill which seeks to provide a comprehensive approach to manage population, promote accessibility to safe and affordable reproductive health care services



Maternal Health Gender Equality

THANK YOU
