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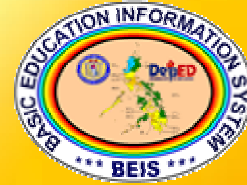
### **ABSTRACT**

The Basic Education Information System (BEIS) serves as the primary MIS of the Department of Education. It was developed by a group (the Development Team) from the Database Management Unit of the Research and Statistics Division, Office of Planning Service, that Department. The BEIS processes and generates the data needed for planning, budget preparation, resource allocation and performance indicators.

The BEIS Quick Counts Module is currently installed and operational at the regional and divisional level. (DepEd Memo No. 211, dated October 2002). It is used to process quick summaries on total enrolment, number of nationally-funded teachers, instructional rooms and school furniture. The module produces automated reports on pupil-teacher analysis, pupil-instructional room analysis and pupil-furniture analysis.

The BEIS School Statistics Module provides the details on school enrolment, staffing and facilities. (DepEd Memo No. 77, dated March 2003)

The BEIS Performance Indicators (BEIS-PI) calculates the Education for All (EFA) core indicators and other related educational indicators, based on the data generated through BEIS Quick Counts and School Statistics Module (DepEd Memo No. 316, dated September 2003)



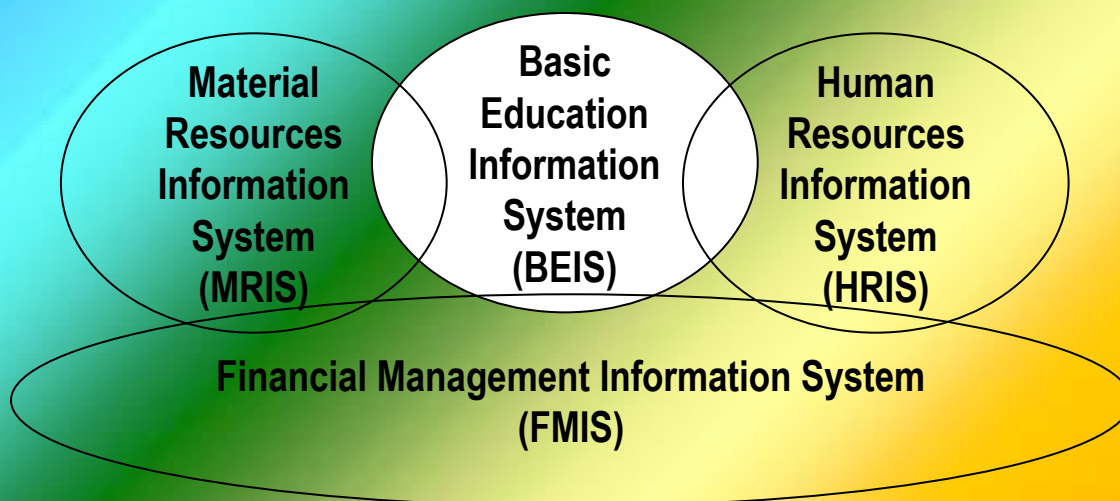
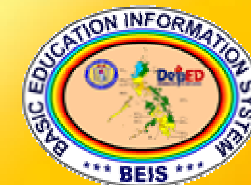
# The Basic Education Information System (Formal Education)

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# MIS Framework...

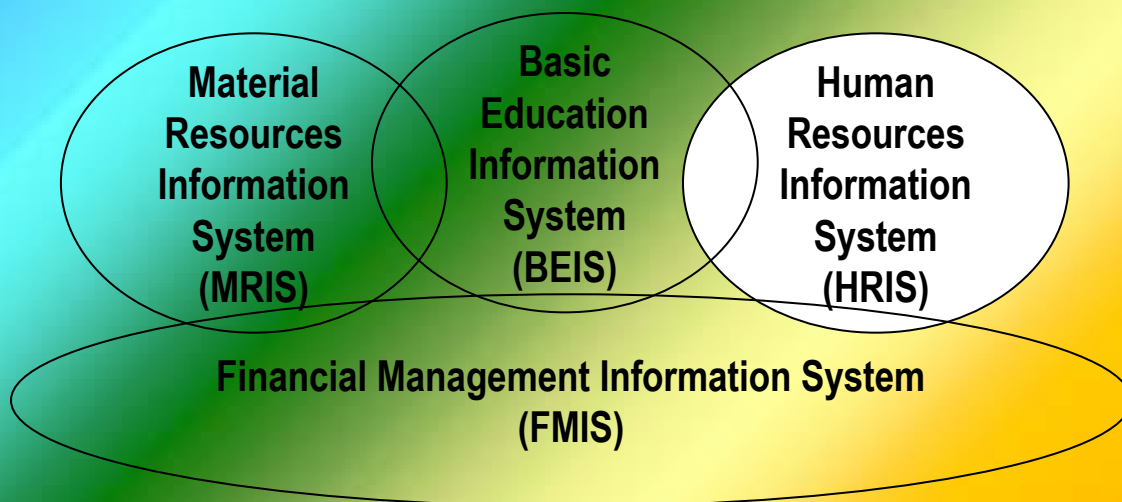
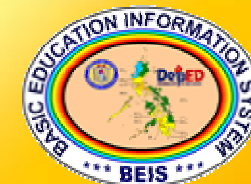


The **BEIS** represents statistical data based on straightforward counts (e.g., number teachers, or pupils, in a school, the number of instructional rooms, school furniture (desks, sets of tables and chairs and armchairs). The unit for the analysis of statistical data is institutional: individual schools at the lowest level, at higher levels, School districts, divisions, regions or the national education system as a whole.

The systems linked through shared School-ID.

The systems are coordinated *not* integrated.

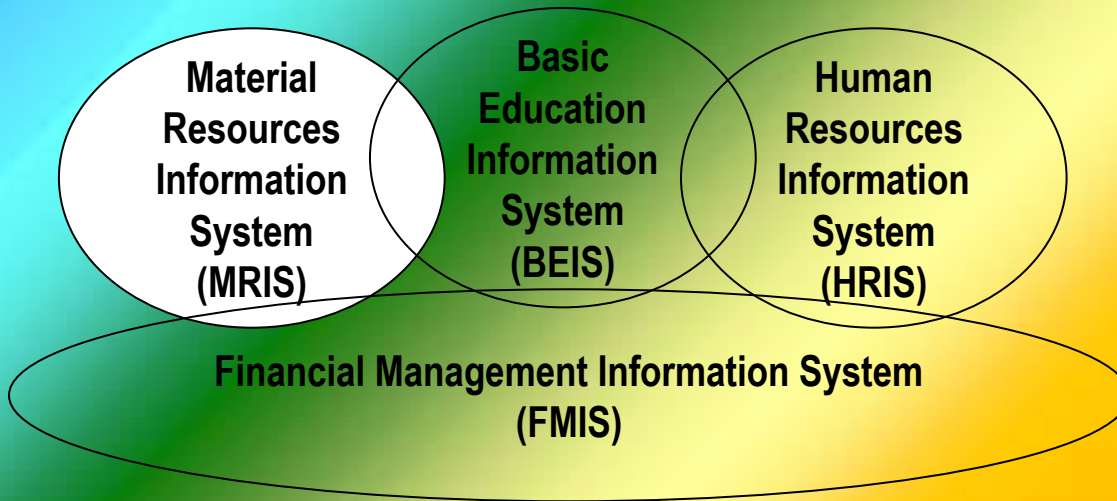
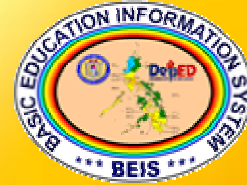
# MIS Framework...



In the **HRIS**, the unit of analysis is the person rather than the institution: an individual record is required for each staff member, teacher or non-teacher, employed in the education system.

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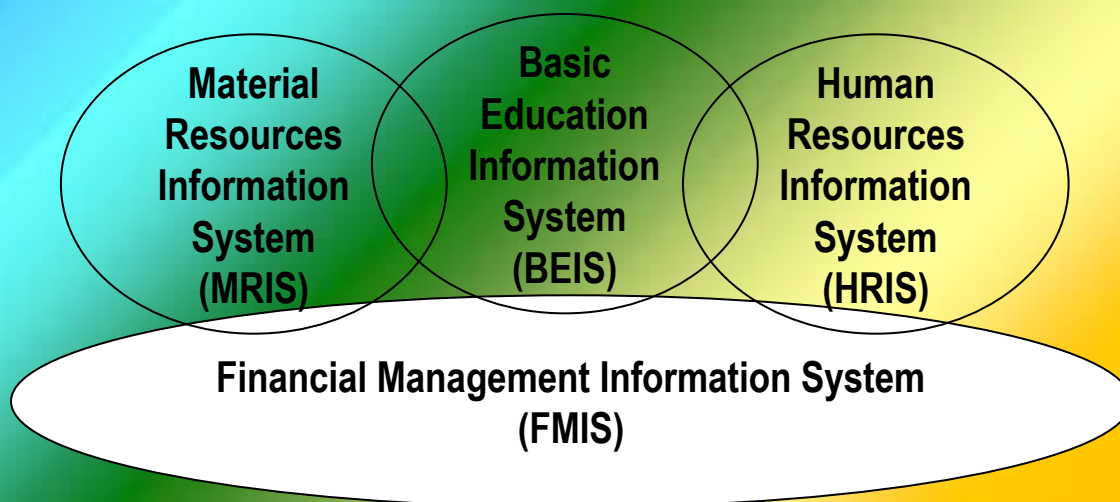
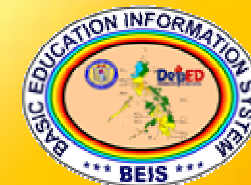
# MIS Framework...



**MRIS** will include detailed data about physical facilities: the materials used in the construction of classrooms, for example, their state of repair, their dimensions. Detailed data concerning school desks, textbooks and others will also be included. Geographical information concerning the location of the school and its access to services will be likewise included.

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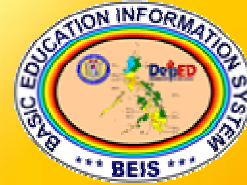
# MIS Framework...



The **FMIS** shall link to all the others: financial resources are needed for the development of all aspects of an education system. In particular, there is a close link between financial data and payroll data, which shall be included in the HRIS. In the Philippines as in most other countries, teachers' salaries account for well over 80% of the total education budget.

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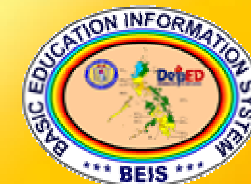
# About BEIS...



- Program name : Basic Education Information System in Formal Education
- Software development : In-house development by a team of 6 from RSD-OPS
- Training attended : 72 hours training on Visual Basic in MS-Excel Programming at the Ateneo Information Technology Institute (AITI) in July 2002
- Total number of data sets : more than 600



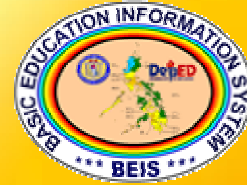
# About BEIS...






- Total Costs (including software development and maintenance, training of all planning officers and data encoders, transportation expenses and supplies/materials)

|                               | Local Funds<br>(PMIS)          | UNICEF                       | TOTAL               |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|
| Module 1 (Quick Counts)       | 390,896.00                     |                              | 390,896.00          |
| Module 2 (School Statistics)  | 373,901.00                     | 441,483.40                   | 815,384.40          |
| Module 3 (Indicators)         | 557,117.55                     | 257,166.60                   | 814,284.15          |
| <b>TOTAL COSTS (in Pesos)</b> | <b>1,321,914.55</b><br>(65.4%) | <b>698,650.00</b><br>(34.6%) | <b>2,020,564.55</b> |
| (in US\$)<br>1US\$=P55        | 24,035.00                      | 12,703.00                    | 36,738.00           |

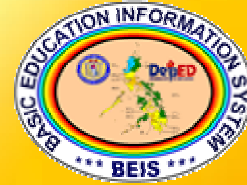
# Historical Development...



## Original Manual System

-  Until 1993, school data are gathered and analyzed manually.
-  Data entry errors and lack of coordination to other offices led to conflicting statistics.
-  Increasing volume of work led to processing delays.

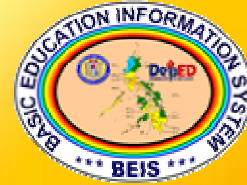
# Historical Development...






## ● Early attempts to computerized the system

- During the late 1980's, there were two (2) attempts to computerized the collection, processing and analysis of school data.
- Software development was outsourced in both cases.
- However, there were problems in installation and utilization of the database. Neither system became functional.

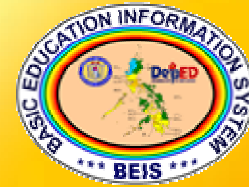
# Historical Development...



## **UDGS: The first computerized system**

-  The Unified Data Gathering System (UDGS) was developed in 1993.
-  Software development was outsourced.
-  Despite bugs or error(s) in the computer program, UDGS used for data analysis and preparation of Statistical Bulletins between 1993 and 2001.

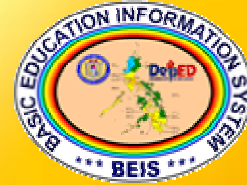
# Historical Development...



## ● BEIS : The new computerized system

- Reform of the Unified Data Gathering System (UDGS) commenced in August 2001, and culminated in early 2002 with the implementation of the new Basic Education Information System (BEIS).
  
- Major steps in the development of BEIS have included the following:
  - (a) Re-design of the data gathering instruments;
  - (b) Local DepED capacity building;
  - (c) Central DepED software training and development of BEIS software; and
  - (d) BEIS analysis.

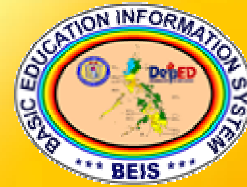
# BEIS : Primary MIS of DepED...



- **BEIS** processes and generates the data needed for planning, budget preparation, resource allocation and performance indicators.
- **BEIS** analyzes teacher deployment, instructional room allocation and pupil/student seating ratio.
- **BEIS** evaluates the performance of the education sector in terms of the EFA indicators and other related education indicators.

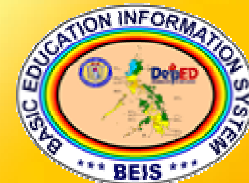


# Features...



- Streamlined data gathering instruments with manual checks for internal consistency.
- Software provides computerized validity checks during data input.
- Unique school numbering system.
- Decentralized data inputting at the divisional level.
- Quick counts to provide budget data from schools within the year.
- Capable of disaggregating by legislative district, municipality/city, municipality class and urban/rural classification.
- Automated reporting for teacher deployment, instructional room and school furniture analysis.




# Data Gathering Instruments...



## DepED Administrative Structure

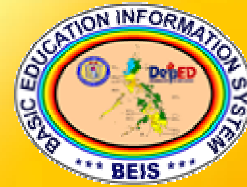
-  17 Regional Offices
-  182 Divisional Offices
-  2273 School District Offices
-  About 48,000 elementary and secondary schools (both public and private)

## Issuance of DepED Order


-  Government Elementary School Profile (GESP)
-  Government Secondary School Profile (GSSP)
-  Private School Profile (PSP)




# The BEIS Modules...




## **Module I – BEIS-Quick Counts**

-  It involves only four major variables required for budget planning: enrolment, teacher numbers (nationally-funded only), instructional room provision and seating provision. It also includes pupil/student - teacher analysis, instructional room analysis and school furniture analysis.

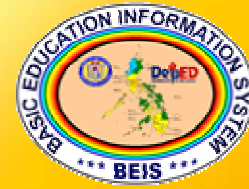
## **Module II – BEIS-School Statistics**

-  It includes a wider range of variables (enrolment by sex and by grade/year level, age profile, repeaters, dropouts, teachers' workloads, locally-hired teachers, etc.)

## **Module III – BEIS–Performance Indicators**

-  It calculates EFA Core Indicators and other related education indicators (e.g., participation rate, gross enrolment ratio, dropout rate, etc).

# Schedule of data collection and processing...

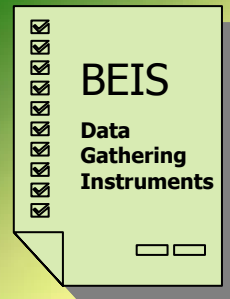


**Central  
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Division  
District / Schools**



**Orientation of regional and divisional teams on BEIS data gathering instruments; dissemination to the schools (July-August)**

**Schools  
District  
Division**



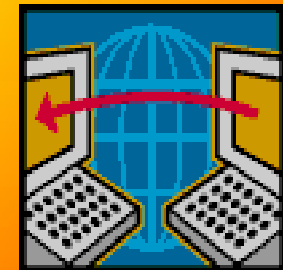
**Retrieval of accomplished BEIS data gathering instruments (end of Sept)**

**Division**



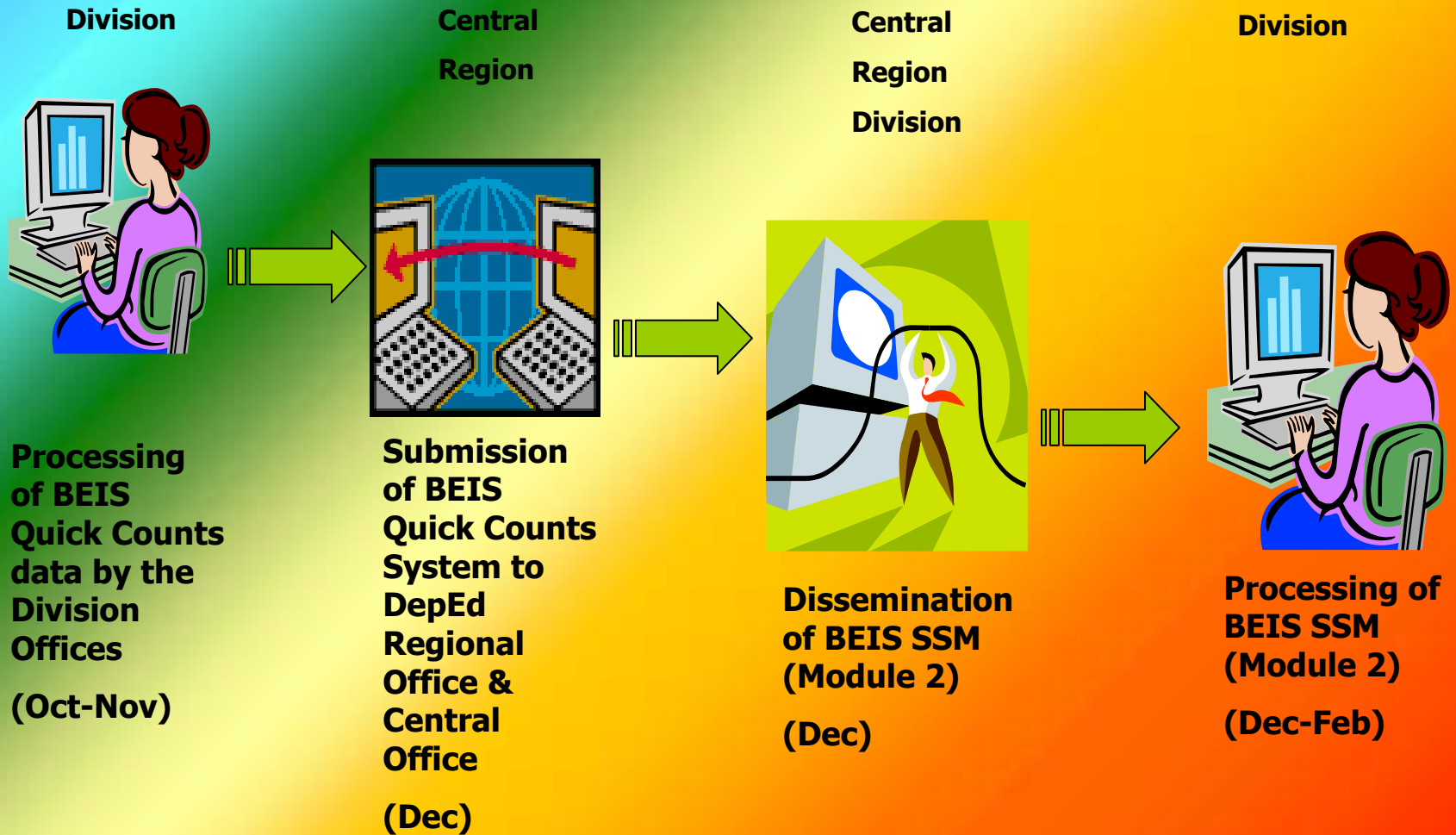
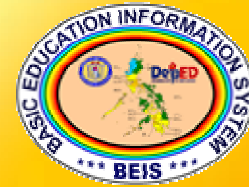
**Manual validation of data (Sept-Oct)**

**Central  
Region  
Division**

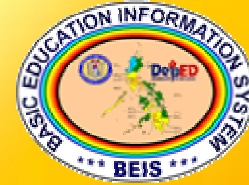


**Dissemination of BEIS Quick Count System (Module 1) by DepEd Central (Sept)**

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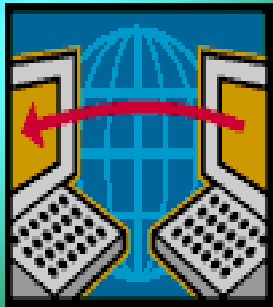


# Schedule of data collection and processing...



Central  
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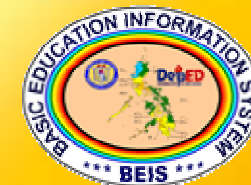
**Submission of  
BEIS SSM  
(Module 2)  
(end of Feb)**

**Generation of School  
Year Basic Education  
Statistics and BEIS -  
Performance Indicators  
(Module 3)  
(Mar-Apr)**

Timeframe = 9 Months

**"This year's data  
within the year".**

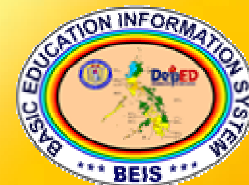
# The Rainbow Spectrum...



## Teacher Deployment Analysis

| Pupil:Teacher Ratio  | Color Code |          | Remarks                             |
|----------------------|------------|----------|-------------------------------------|
| Less than 25         |            | Blue     | Excessive surplus teacher provision |
| 25.00 – 29.99        |            | Sky Blue | Surplus teacher provision           |
| 30.00 – 34.99        |            | Green    | Generous teacher provision          |
| 35.00 – 39.99        |            | Yellow   | National mean ratio                 |
| 40.00 – 44.99        |            | Gold     | Manageable ratio                    |
| 45.00 – 49.99        |            | Orange   | Moderate teacher shortage           |
| More than 50.00      |            | Red      | Severe teacher shortage             |
| No Teacher Available |            | Black    | No nationally funded teachers       |

# The Rainbow Spectrum...

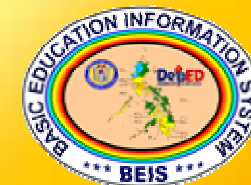


## ● Instructional Room Analysis

| Pupil:Room Ratio       | Color Code |        | Remarks   |
|------------------------|------------|--------|---|
|                        |            |        |   |
| Less than 46           |            | Blue   | Meet Republic Act 7880 with one shift                             |
| 46.00 – 50.99          |            | Yellow | Fails to meet RA 7880 with one shift                              |
| 51.00 – 55.99          |            | Gold   | Does not meet RA 7880 even with double shifting                   |
| More than 56           |            | Red    | Does not meet RA 7880, schools with severe shortage of classrooms |
| No Classroom Available |            | Black  | No existing instructional rooms                                   |



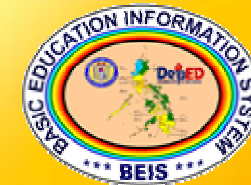
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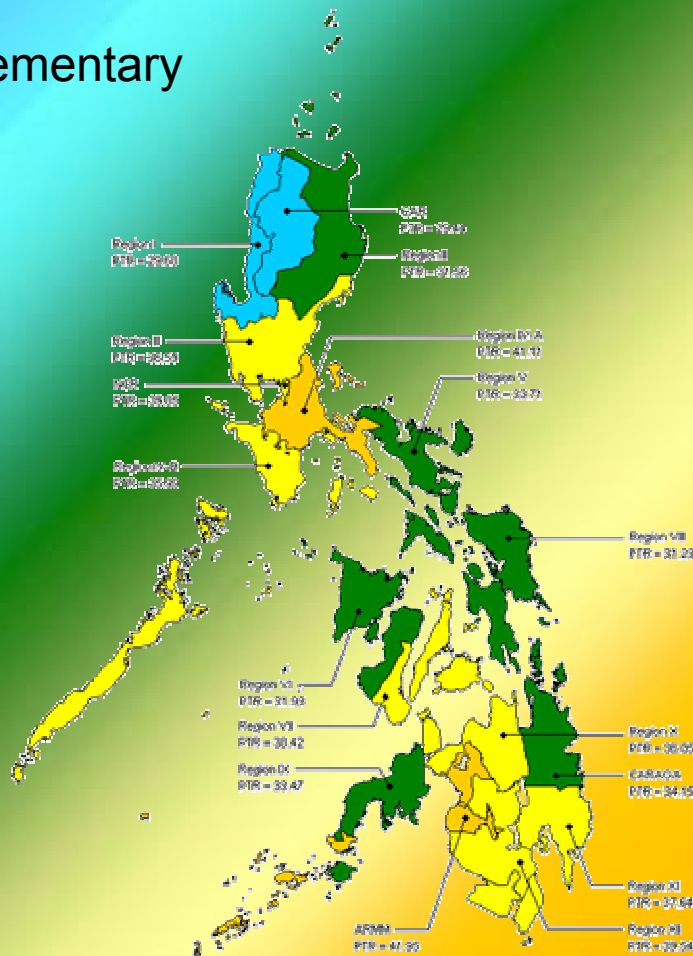
## ● School Furniture Analysis

| Pupil:Seat Ratio   | Color Code |          | Remarks   |
|--------------------|------------|----------|---|
| Less than 0.49     |            | Blue     | Two-seats per pupil even in one-shift schools                     |
| 0.50 – 0.69        |            | Sky Blue | Surplus seat provision  |
| 0.70 – 0.89        |            | Green    | Generous seat provision   |
| 0.90 – 1.00        |            | Yellow   | Adequate in one-shift schools                                     |
| 1.01 – 1.99        |            | Gold     | Adequate in two-shift schools                                     |
| 2.00 – 2.99        |            | Orange   | More than 2 pupils per seat; Inadequate in two-shift schools      |
| More than 3.00     |            | Red      | More than 3 pupils per seat; Severe shortage in two-shift schools |
| No Seats Available |            | Black    | No existing seats   |

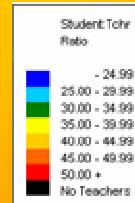
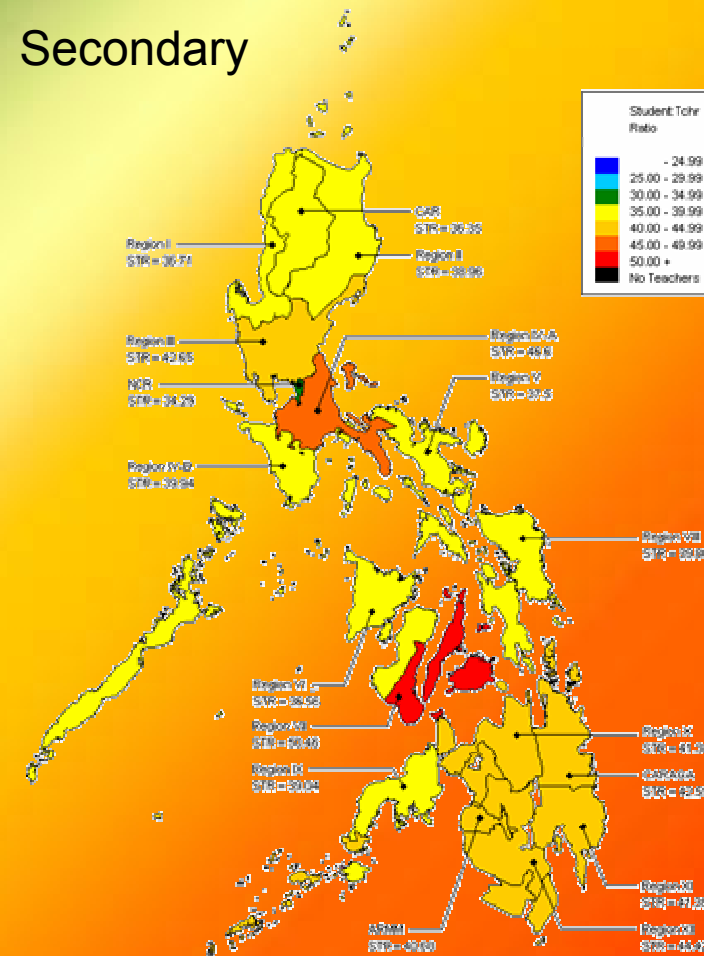
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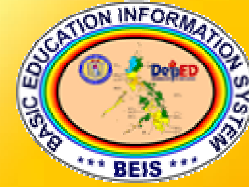


## Secondary

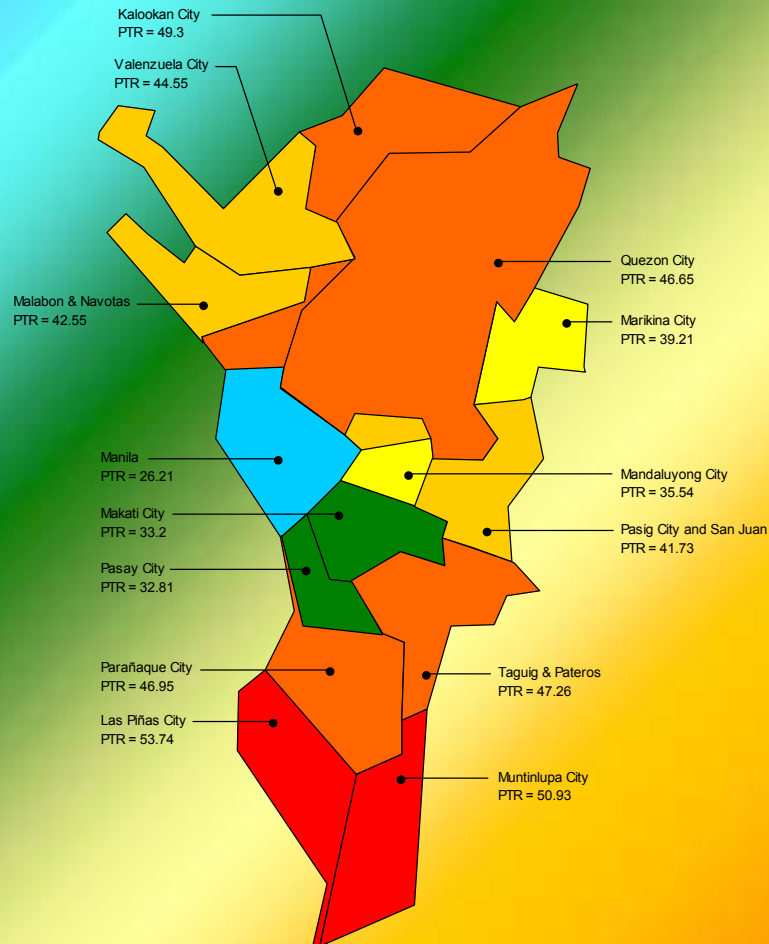




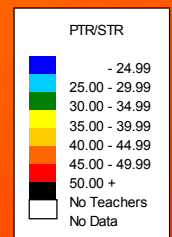
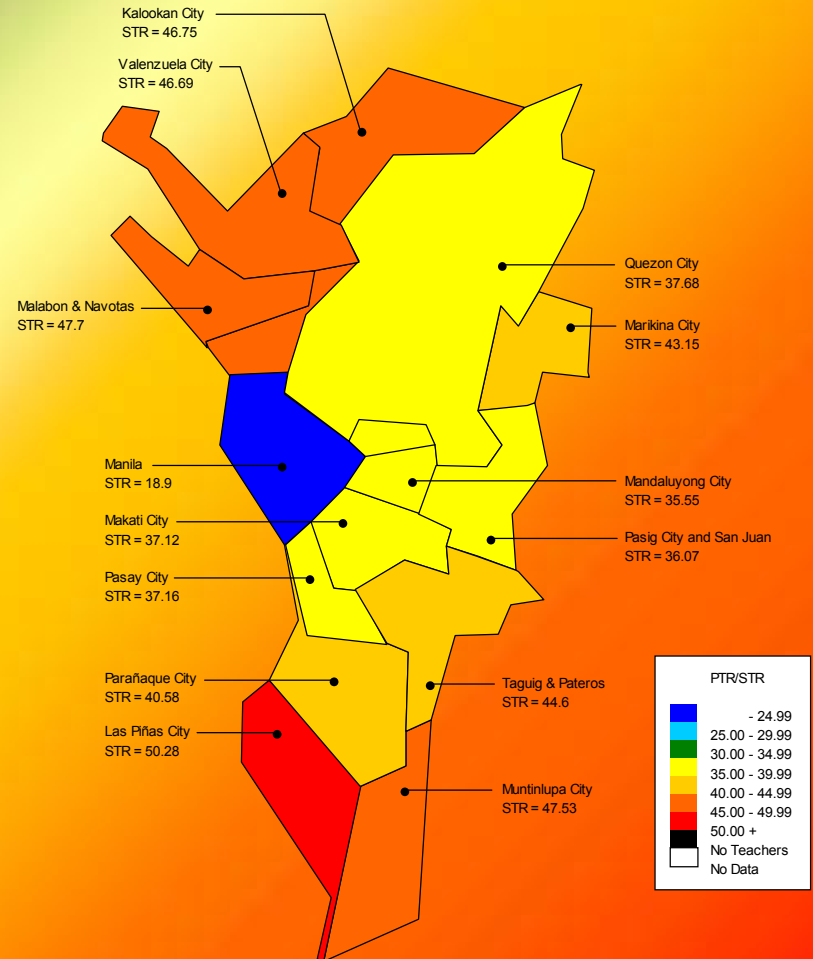
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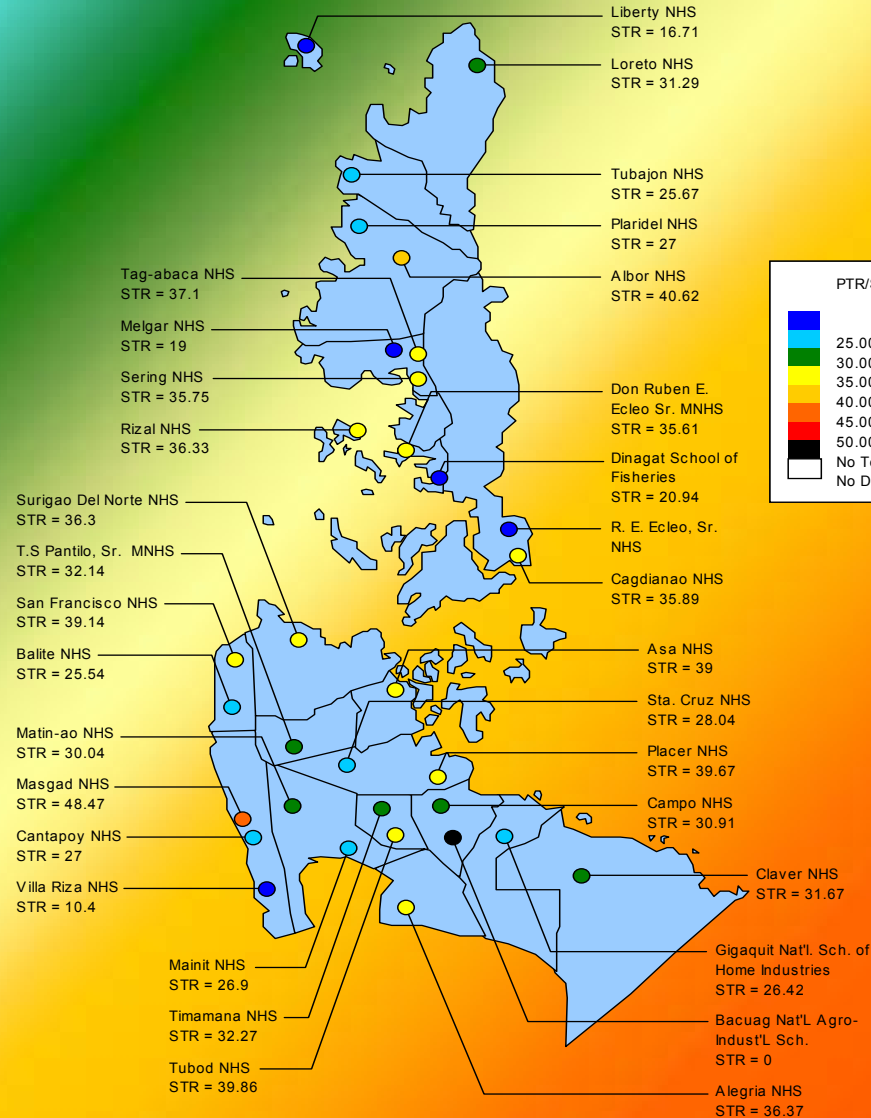
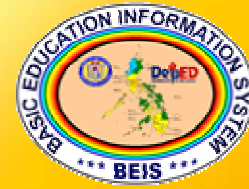
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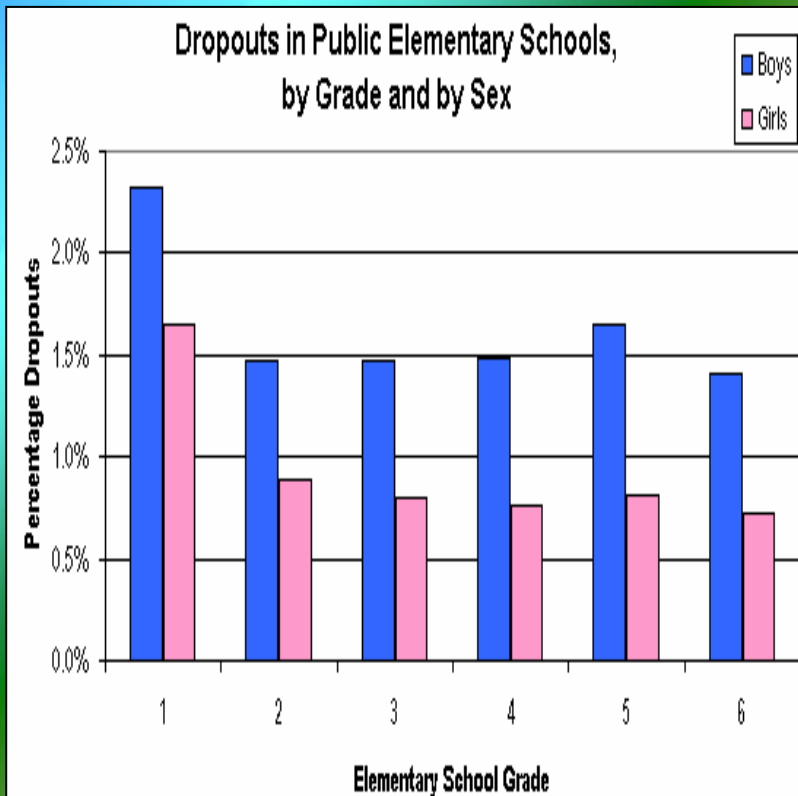
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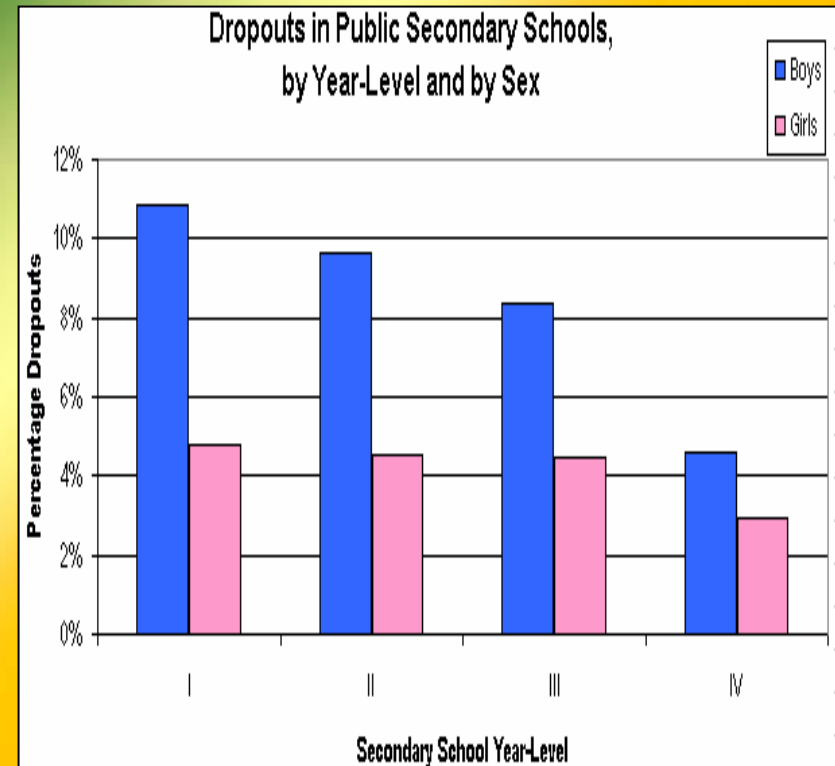


# The BEIS Analysis... (National Level)



*Dropout rates are higher for boys than for girls at all grade levels.*

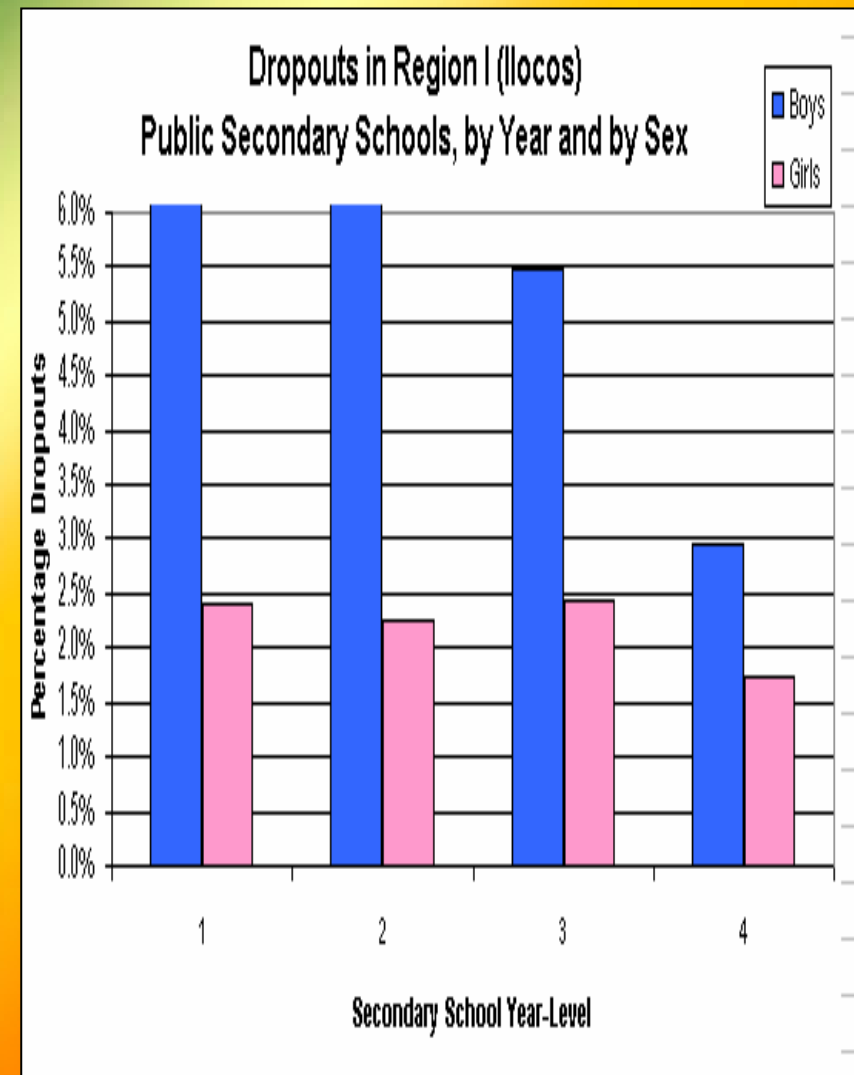
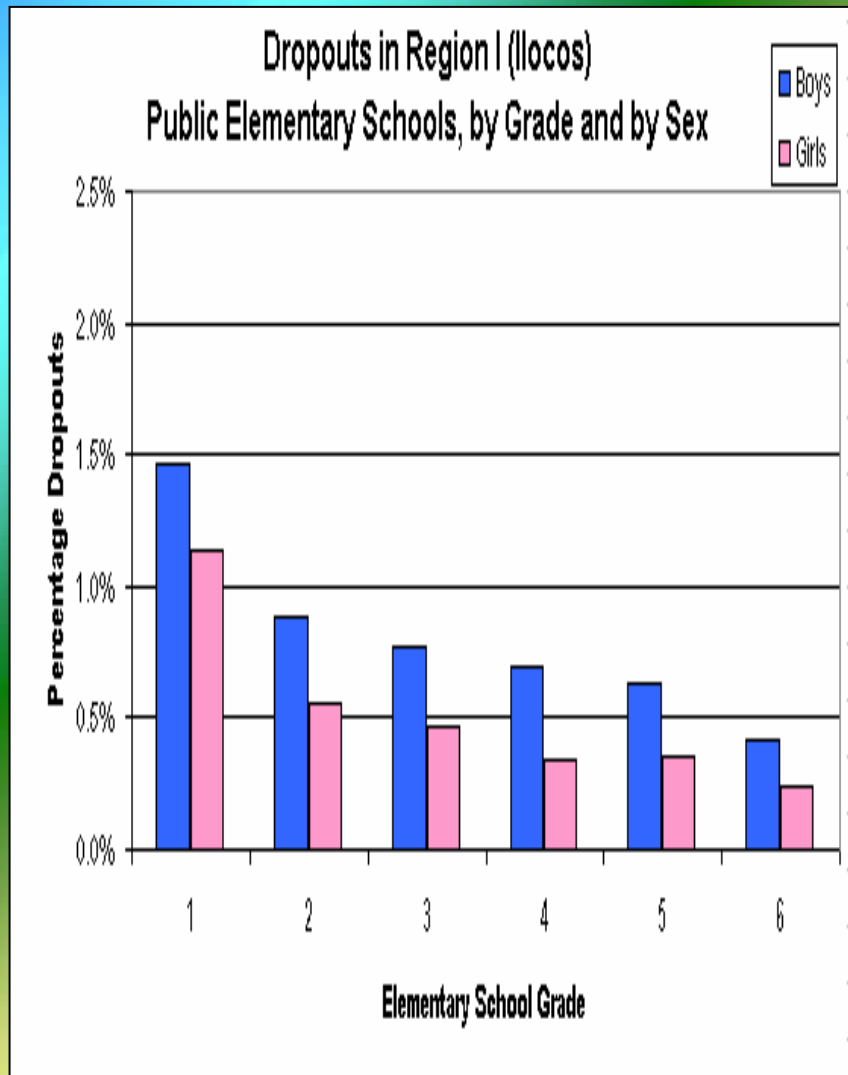
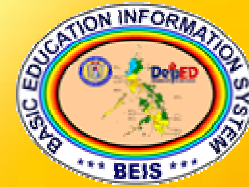
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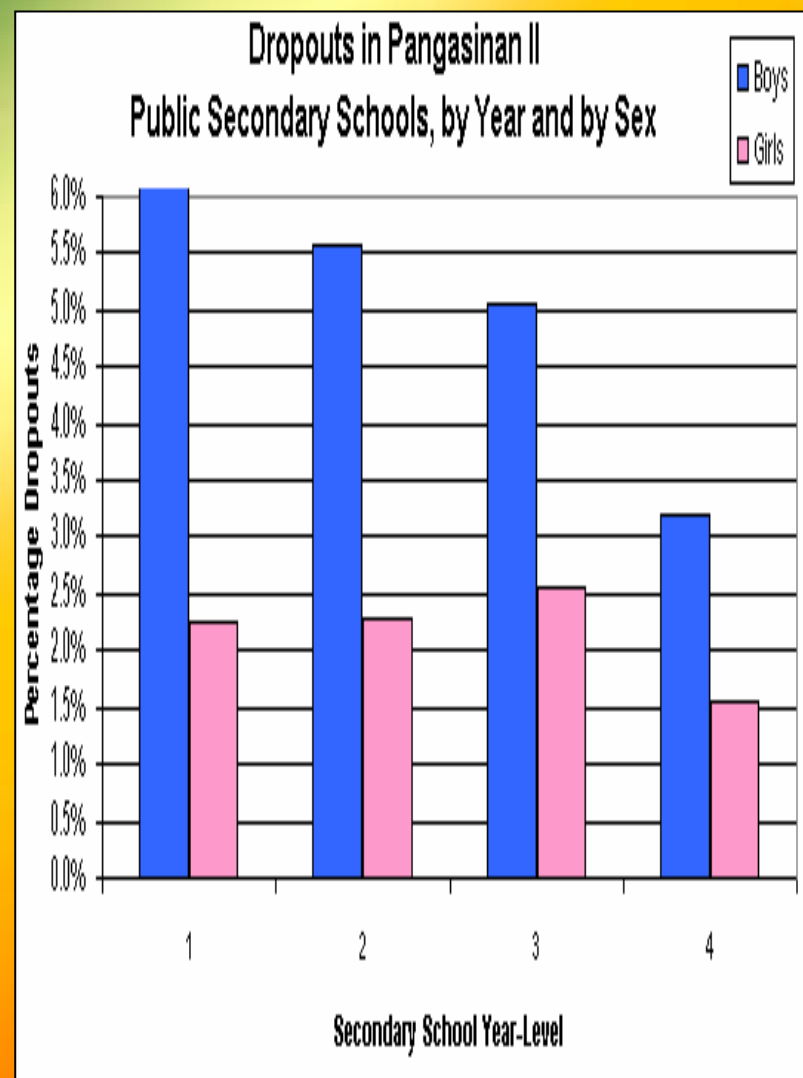
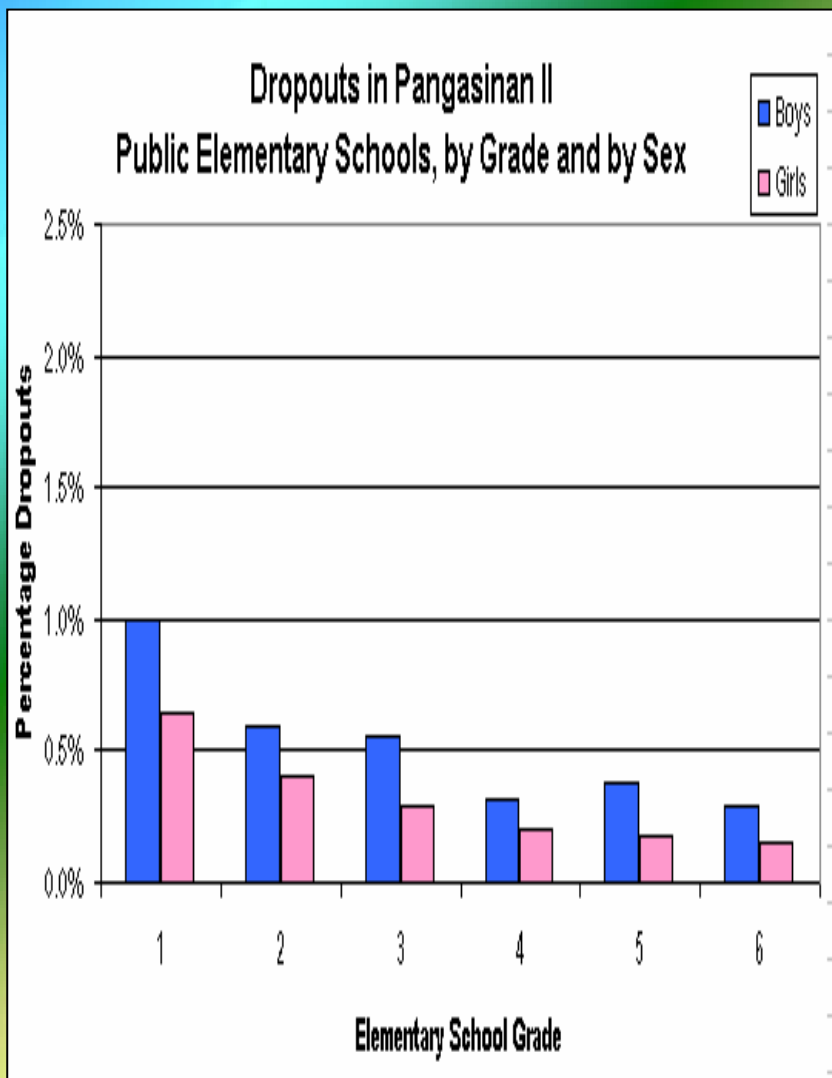
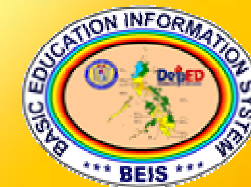
*Secondary dropout rates are much higher for boys than for girls, especially in the junior year-levels.*

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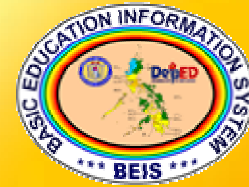
# The BEIS Analysis... (Regional Level)




# The BEIS Analysis... (Divisional Level)




# Management Accomplishments...



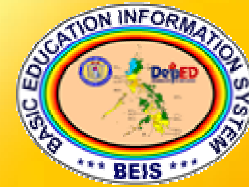
## **Capacity Building.**

-  The system has led directly to a substantial strengthening of the human resources available to DepED at all levels of the organization.

## **More effective targeting of new teaching positions.**

-  Central-level managers targetted new teaching positions more effectively to the shortage divisions during Deployment 2002. Likewise, many divisional managers targetted the new positions more effectively to the teacher-shortage schools.

# Management Accomplishments...



## **Timely deployment of new teaching positions.**

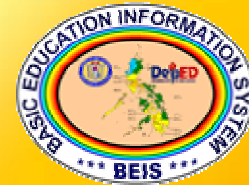
- The deployment of teachers to fill the newly-created positions was speeded up considerably. More than 90% of the new positions were filled in time for the start of School Year 2002-2003.

## **More effective targetting of the following:**


- Construction of new classrooms under the DepED-School Building Program (DepED-SBP).
- Distribution of school desks and armchairs to the furniture-shortage schools.




# Policy Reforms...



## **Decentralization.**

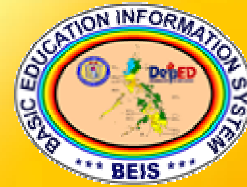
-  BEIS contributed to DepED's decentralization policy by successfully transferring responsibility for the input of educational data from the regional offices (where it had been located under UDGS) to the divisional offices.

## **Transfer of vacant teaching positions.**

-  In Departmental Order No. 50, dated June 19, 2003, DepED has established guidelines for the transfer of vacant teaching positions from teacher-surplus to teacher-shortage schools, based on the BEIS Teacher Deployment Analysis and the color-coding system.



# Benefits...



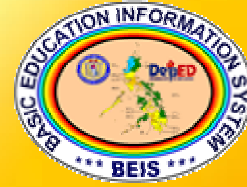
## **Development of a standard school identification number system.**

- A central component of BEIS is a unique 6-digit school identification number. A key feature of this identification number is that it never changes – even if the classification, (e.g., mother school, annex school) or administrative affiliation (e.g., school district, municipality) of the school changes.

## **Timely availability of the Quick Count Data.**

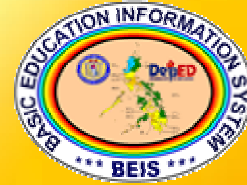
- BEIS makes provision for the rapid analysis of certain key variables needed for policy and budget decisions.

# Self Assessment : Implementation Capacity of DepED...




- At present, every divisional team is capable of inputting the BEIS data accurately and to a tight time schedule, of preparing Deployment Request Forms including color-coded teacher data.
- Furthermore, local organizational skills were considerably enhanced: procedures for delivering the BEIS forms to the schools and ensuring their prompt return, and for carrying out manual validity checks before data input, were put in place.


# Remaining / Planned Activities and Outputs...



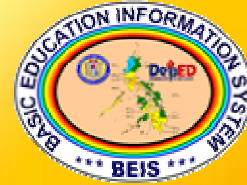
## **Continued data validation.**

-  Validation of data at central, regional and divisional levels are continuously being implemented. And when necessary, spot visits to schools and division offices are being done to verify the accuracy of the data.

## **Refining of BEIS data gathering instruments and enhancement of the BEIS computer system.**

-  BEIS instruments will continuously be improved to include other data which will be required by the Department and to make the forms more user-friendly. There is also a need to upgrade the system to a higher-level language programming.

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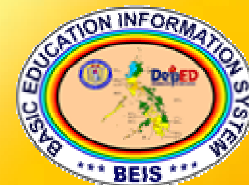
## **Continued monitoring of teacher, classroom and school furniture distribution patterns.**

- It will be important to continue monitoring changes in distribution patterns of basic resources.
- The Regional and Divisional Impact Monitoring Instruments have been prepared which facilitate the analysis of trends over time.

## **BEIS Documentation.**

- Producing a pamphlet or a publication describing the processes through which the BEIS was developed and its salient features will be explored.

# Status of BEIS Databases...



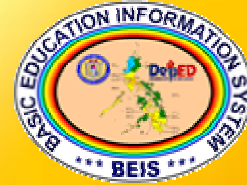
## ● School Year 2002-2003

- Quick Counts Data - 100% available
- School Statistics Data - 100% available
- Performance Indicators - 100% available





## ● School Year 2003-2004

- Quick Counts Data - 100% available
- School Statistics Data - 100% available
- Performance Indicators - 100% available

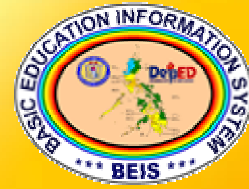
# Issues and Concerns...



## *Needs Analysis*

-  Additional permanent staff assigned to the Division Planning Unit. Currently, there is only one (1) permanent staff - the Division Office Planning Officer.
-  State-of-the-art IT equipment and internet connection.
-  Sufficient funds for supplies, computer maintenance, conduct of BEIS orientation/workshops and monitoring.
-  Intensive training on data analysis and utilization.





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