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Preamble

Mr. Ban Ki-moon, United Nations Secretary-General, declared the "**Global Education First Initiative: GEFI**" at the 67th session of the United Nations General Assembly 2012 in New York, United States of America, on 26 September 2012 in order to create a big impact in education society to put every child in school, improve the quality of learning, and foster global citizenship. It was a commitment among Member States to achieve the goal within 2015 and years to come. Mr. Ban Ki-moon has attached importance to the elimination of financial obstacles on learning expenditure and graduation at basic education level, the provision of every child, in particular along the borders, with equal opportunities in primary and lower secondary education, and the narrowness of gender gap at every level of education.

The government of Thailand has attached importance to education and continuously put every child in school, as seen in the policy on free education in order to provide qualitative and standardized basic education opportunity for every pupil, taking into account equality and fairness for all groups of the populations, which include the impoverished, the disadvantaged, the disabled and minority, by supporting budgets for 15-year education provision starting from kindergarten until completing basic education.

Office of the Education Council, a national agency for educational research and development on policies and plans, recognizes the importance and necessity of the initiative. For this reason, OEC prepared Guideline on Implementing United Nations Initiative: Putting Every Child in School by gathering statistical figures related to putting every child in school, comprising information on budgets, education opportunities at each level, in particular compulsory and basic education, including data on gender equity in getting education at all levels. In addition, the status of enrolment of 6 years old children at Grade 1 has been formulated in order to present the current situation of Thailand in putting every child in school and seeking measures of putting every child in school.

Dr. Sasithara Pichaichannarong Secretary-General

Executive Summary

The Global Education First Initiative: GEFI was initiated by the statement of the United Nations Secretary-General, Mr. Ban Ki-moon, with a vision that education is a gateway to equality in the society, rehabilitating health of mothers and children, decreasing the number of children's unnecessary deaths. Provision of education and skills helps empower people in making the world better. Mr. Ban Ki-moon raised the issue of Education First at the United Nations forum in order to create a big impact in the education society as a commitment among Member States to achieve within 2015 and years to come. The 3 priority targets are: Put every child in school, Improve quality of learning and Foster global citizenship.

In the main target: put every child in school, global leaders view that every country must assure every child in the world to get at least basic education, no matter where they live. This commitment appeared in the "Education for All" targeted to achieve within 2015, in particular Goal 1 Early Childhood Education and Goal 2 Provision of Qualitative Compulsory Primary Education. Furthermore, the commitment stated that education is the right since birth of every child in every country, gender, race and geographical area, regardless that children want to learn or the poor families want them to quit learning.

With this reason, the United Nations has set the main aims of implementation of the Global Education First Initiative: Put every child in school, Improve quality of learning and Foster global citizenship. However, there are still obstacles in the registration and graduation, for example, the load of expenditure, inadequate classrooms, humanity emergencies, gender discrimination, child labour abuse, etc. The principles of putting every child in school consist of eliminating financial obstacles on learning expenditure and graduation at basic education level, providing every child, in particular along the borders, with equal opportunities in primary and lower secondary education, and narrowing gender gap at every level of education.

The government of Thailand has attached importance to equality in education opportunities, reflecting in the policy on education of the government headed by H.E. Prime Minister Yingluck Shinawatra, delivered to the National Assembly on 23 August 2011, stated that the government will create and ensure equal educational opportunities for all groups of the populations, which include the impoverished, the disadvantaged, the disabled and minority groups; education begins during pregnancy, to ensure both mothers and children are well and effectively taken care of, the government will provide quality education for all, according to age and development, from pre-school to compulsory basic education, and allow the transfer of credits in order to reduce drop-out rates. The policy accords with the initiative on Global Education First.

For the implementation of Thailand to achieve the commitments, in particular on putting every child in school, an analysis on opportunity for education is presented based on 3 guidelines of the United Nations:

1. Eliminating financial obstacles an learning expenditure and graduation at basic education level;

2. Providing every child, in particular along the borders, with equal opportunities in primary and lower secondary education; Enrolment rates and net enrolment rates were considered and analyzed for overview and classified by provinces according to hometowns of learners. The data used for analysis on educational opportunities came from database of individual students of ICT Centre,

Office of the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Education, and those of other agencies, in and outside Ministry of Education. In case of incomplete data, estimation by ratio of each group based on existing data has been applied.

3. Narrowing gender gap at every level of education. The overview analysis of data found that the government has prioritized allocation of budgets on education, in particular basic education. Most of the children could access education opportunities and there is gender equality in education; only minor group lacks the opportunities.

1. Eliminating financial obstacles on learning expenditure and graduation at basic education level

The government has allocated budgets for education, equivalent to 3.8% of GDP, or 22% of the total annual budgets. This is in line with the Jomtien Declaration 1990, urging the governments of various countries to allocate budgets for education at least 20% of the total national budgets. When considering the budgets for basic education, it was found that the government has allocated more than 76.04% or 3.78% of GDP, showing the attention paid to primary and basic education.

2. Providing every child, in particular along the borders, with equal opportunities in primary and lower secondary education

Enrolment rates and net enrolment rates were considered and analyzed for overview and classified by provinces according to hometowns of learners.

2.1 Enrolment rate of various age groups In academic year 2010, it was found that;

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2.2 Net Enrolment Rate at each level of education It was found that;

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2.3 Situation of Intake Rate of 6 aged Populations 2.3.1 Intake Rate of 6 aged Children

- The ratio of 6 aged students to 6 aged populations is the opportunity for education of 6 aged children or intake rate which tends to increase. In 2010, the intake rate was 78.88% and 79.16% in 2011 and 82.47% in 2012. In formal education, the number of 6 aged children at pre-primary was 21.76% while at primary level was 78.24%.

- The intake rate of 6 aged groups, at pre-primary and primary levels, during the years 2010 - 2012, tended to increase at primary level but decrease for pre-primary.

For the intake rate of 6 aged groups in each province, it was found that the provinces with lowest intake rates were Chonburi and Satun.

2.3.2 Net Intake Rate of 1st Graders

Net intake rate is the ratio of 6 aged first Graders to total 6 aged populations. It was found that the net intake rate increased during the years 2010 – 2012. The net intake rate at 58.23% in the year 2010 inc reased to 61.95% in 2011 ,64.53% in 2012 ,and 67.56 in 2013 The provinces with lowest net intake rates were Phuket, Nonthaburi, Chonburi, Samut Prakarn, and Songkla.

2.3.3 Ratio of Grade 1 Students by Age In 2012, it was found that Grade 1 students composed of 3 groups of populations: 2.56% were younger than 6 years old, 67.56% were 6 years old and 29.89 were older than 6 years.

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Considering by provinces, there were first Graders whose hometowns were in other provinces, not the ones located their schools (move in), and first Graders who moved out to learn in other provinces which were not their own hometowns. The provinces with most moving in students were Samut Sakorn and Chonburi, while the provinces with most moving out students were Nonthaburi and Burirum.

3. Narrowing gender gap at every level of education

It was found that in 2012 the number of girls learning pre-primary, primary and lower secondary is slightly less than boys; while more females at upper secondary and higher education. This reflected the equity of education provision for everyone, no discrimination on gender.

Recommendations on Putting Every Child in School

Thailand has attached importance to "Putting Every Child in School", as seen on the efforts in eliminating obstacles preventing children from schools; the various measures such as the high ratio of budgets allocated particularly for basic education; the equal opportunities provided for every child in particular along the borders to access primary and lower secondary education; the efforts in narrowing gender gap at every level. However, although the government has made a lot of efforts for the equal opportunities in education, there are still some children left behind as indicated by the data on low enrolment in some provinces. It is therefore necessary to find the actual causes and ways to solve the problems in each area.

Since there is limitation in collecting data, the following is the recommendations in data collecting system for planning on education development:

1. The national agency for education policy and plan should develop data system for planning on overview education development. The systems to be developed are the information management, database, and data items.

2. Supervisory agencies of those data sources / educational institutions should convince the data providing units on the benefits of data provision.

3. Data source agencies / educational institutions should provide accurate data to their supervisory agencies for utilization in overall education development, results of which will finally be back to the institutions and learners.

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Initiative of the United Nations Secretary-General on Putting Every Child in School

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Policy of the Thai Government on Equal Opportunities in Education

This document aims at presenting the issue on equality in educational opportunities which encourages every child to go to school and that is the first aim of the initiative. The policy on education of the government, headed by H.E. Prime Minister Yingluck Shinawatra, delivered to the National Assembly on 23 August 2011, stated that the government will create and ensure equal educational opportunities for all groups of the population, which includes the impoverished, the disadvantaged, the disabled and minority groups; education begins during pregnancy, to ensure both mothers and children are well and effectively taken care of, the government will provide quality education for all, according to age and development, from pre-school to compulsory basic education, and allow the transfer of credits in order to reduce drop-out rates. The policy accords with the initiative on Global Education First.

Status of the Encouragement on Putting Every Child into School

The related statistical figures of Thailand concerning the encouragement of putting every child in school are:

1. Eliminating financial obstacles on learning expenditure and graduation at basic education level;

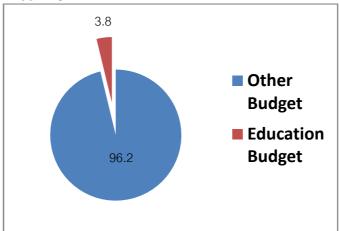
2. Providing every child, in particular along the borders, with equal opportunities in primary and lower secondary education;

3. Narrowing gender gap at every level of education.

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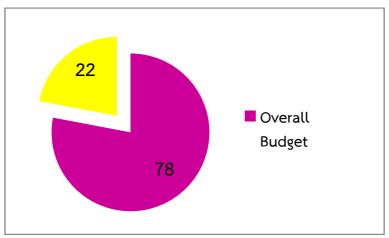
Thailand has attached importance to education provision. In 2012, the government allocated budgets for education, equivalent to 3.8 % of GDP (figure 1), or 22 % of the total annual budgets (figure 2). This is in line with the Jomtien Declaration 1990, urging the governments of various countries to allocate budgets for education at least 20 % of the total national budgets. When considering the budgets for basic education, it was found that the government has allocated more than 76.04 % (figure 3) or 3.78 % of GDP (figure 4), showing the attention paid to the primary and basic education.

Figure 1 Total Public Expenditure on Education as a percentage of GDP: Fiscal Year 2012



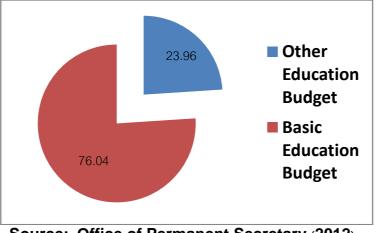
Source: Office of Permanent Secretary.(2012).

Figure 2: Total Public Expenditure on Education as a percentage of total government expenditure: Fiscal Year 2012



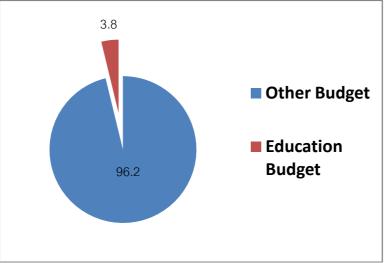
Source: Office of Permanent Secretary.(2012).

Figure 3: Public Expenditure on Primary/Basic Education: Fiscal year 2012



Source: Office of Permanent Secretary.(2012).





Source: Office of Permanent Secretary for Education.(2012).

2. Providing every child, in particular along the borders, with equal opportunities in primary and lower secondary education

The opportunities are considered from the following indicators:

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2.2 Net Enrolment Rates for Primary and Secondary Education

2.3 Status of Enrolment of 6 aged Children

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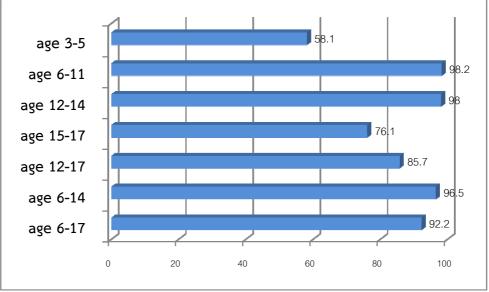


Figure 5 Enrolment rate of Thai people per age: 2010

Source: Office of the Education Council.(2011)

2.2 Net Enrolment Rate at each level of education It was found that; at 12-year basic education, the net enrolment rate was 88.5% at Compulsory Education, the net enrolment rate was 76% at Pre-Primary level, the net enrolment rate was 58.1% at Primary level, the net enrolment rate was 90.1% at Secondary Education, the net enrolment rate was 93.1% at Lower Secondary, the net enrolment rate was 76.5% at Upper Secondary, the net enrolment rate was 55.6%

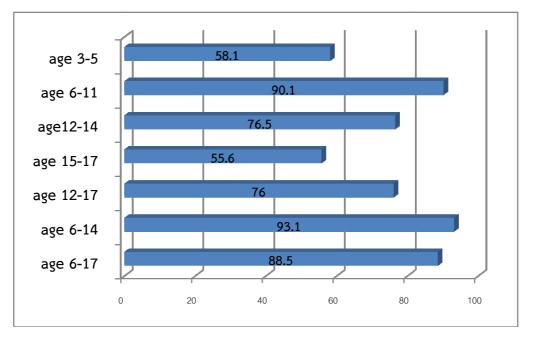


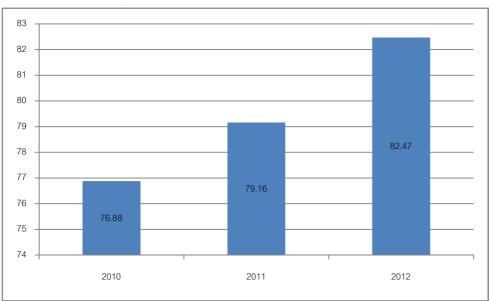
Figure 6: Net enrolment rate of Thai student per age: 2010.

Source: Office of the Education Council. (2011).

2.3 Status of Enrolment of 6 aged Children

2.3.1 The enrolment rate of 6 aged children has increased accordingly during the years 2010 – 2012, from 78.88 % to 79.16 and 82.47 respectively (Figure 7). Most were at Grade 1 and some were already enrolled but at pre-primary level at 21.76 % and primary level at 78.24 % respectively (Figure 8).

Figure 7: Ratio of 6 years student per 6 years children from 2010-2012



Source: Office of the Education Council. (2011; 2013).

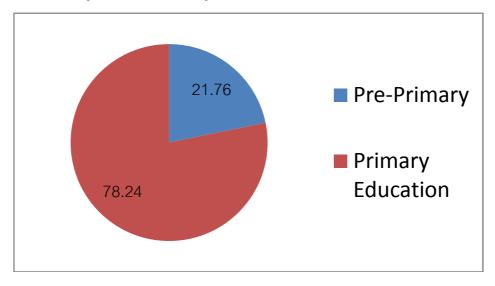
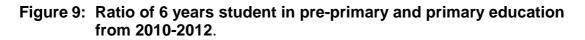
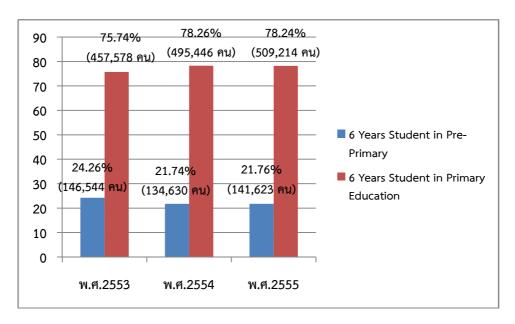


Figure 8: Ratio of 6 years student by level of education: Academic Year 2012.

Source: Office of the Education Council. (2011; 2013).

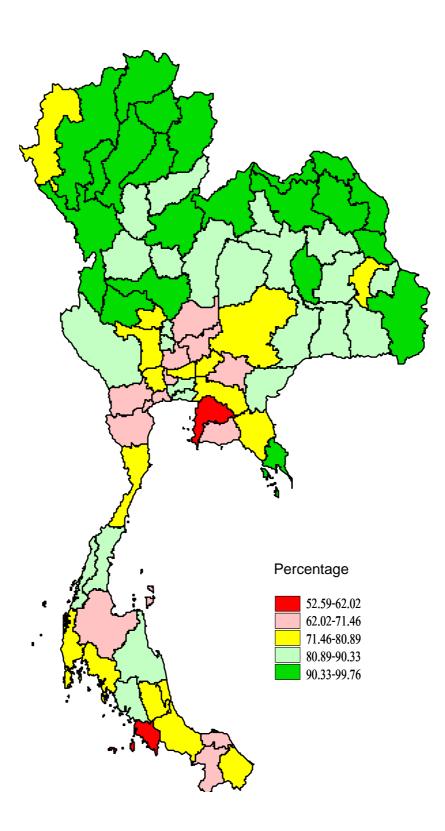
When considering the ratio of 6 aged populations learning at pre-primary and Grade 1 during the years 2010 - 2012, it was found that they tended to enter Grade 1 more and more according to the compulsory education, as shown in figure 9.





Source: Office of the Education Council. (2011; 2013).

For the enrolment rate of 6 aged group in each province, it was found that the provinces with lowest intake rates were Chonburi and Satun (Figure 10)



Source: Office of the Education Council. (2011; 2013).

2.3.2 Net Intake Rate of Grade 1 Student

For the ratio of 6 aged first Graders to the number of 6 aged populations or net intake rate, it was found increased during the years 2010 - 2013 accordingly, from 58.23 % to 61.95 , 64.53 and 67.56 respectively (Figure 11). The provinces with lowest net intake rates were Phuket, Nonthaburi, Chonburi, Samut Prakarn, and Songkla (Figure 12).

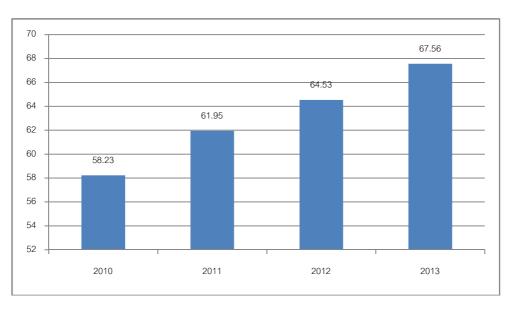


Figure 11 Net intake rate of grade 1 student: 2010-2013

Source: Office of the Education Council. (2011; 2013).

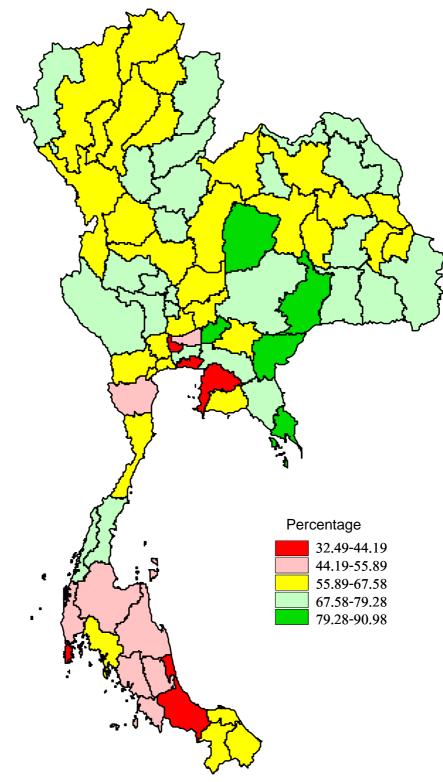


Figure 12 Net Intake rate of grade 1 student per province: Year 2012

Source: Office of the Education Council. (2013).

2.3.3 Ratio of Grade 1 Student per Age: Academic Year 2013

It was found that the first Graders nationwide classified by age in the year 2012 were composed of 3 groups: 2.56 % were younger than 6 years, 67.56 % were 6 years of age, and 29.89 % were older than 6 years (Figure 13).

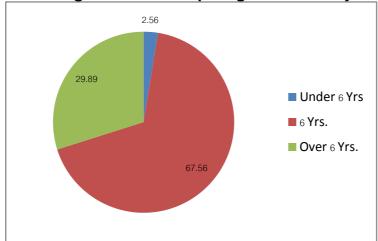


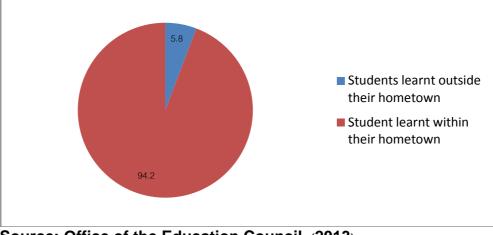
Figure 13: Ratio of grade 1 student per age: Academic year 2013

Source: Office of the Education Council.(2013).

2.3.3 Ratio of Grade 1 Student by Hometowns

In 2012, 94.2% of 6 aged first Graders were learning in their hometowns, only 5.8% learning in schools outside their hometowns, as shown in Figure 14.





Source: Office of the Education Council. (2013).

Considering by provinces, there were first Graders whose hometowns were in other provinces, not the ones located their schools (move in), and first Graders who moved out to learn in other provinces which were not their own hometowns. The provinces with most moving in students were Samut Sakorn and Chonburi (Figure 15), while the provinces with most moving out students were Nonthaburi and Burirum (Figure 16).

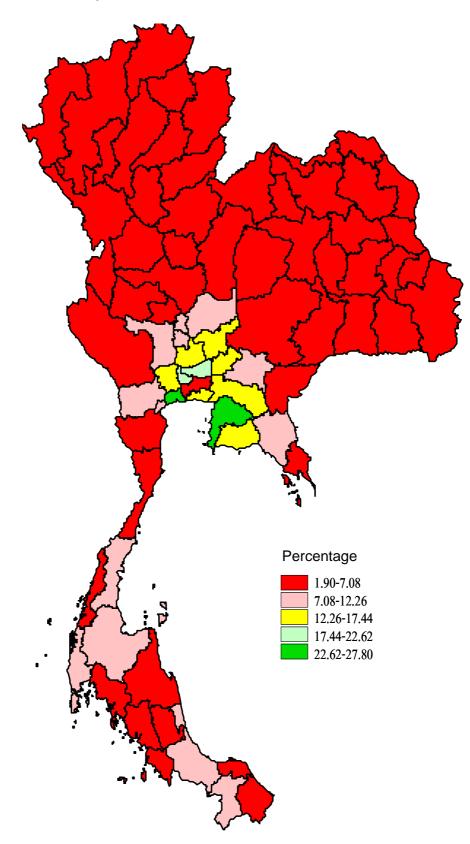


Figure 15: Ratio of grade 1 student learnt out of their hometown: Year 2012 (Move in Ratio)

Source: Office of the Education Council. (2013).

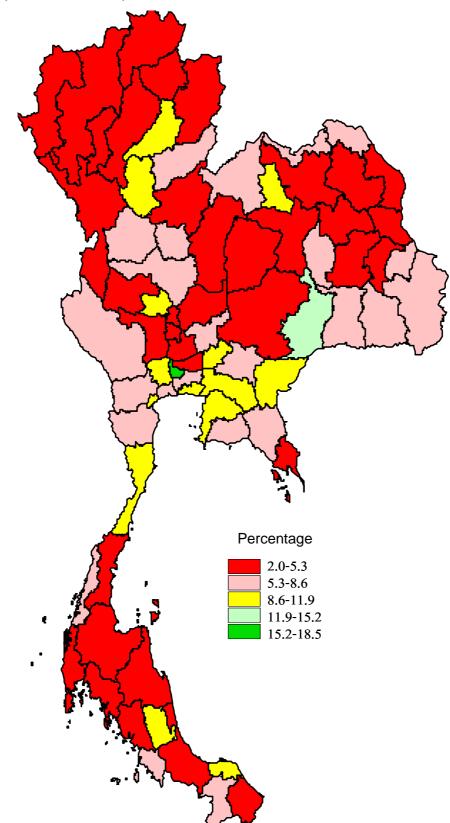


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Source: Office of the Education Council, 2013.

3. Narrowing Gender Gap at Every Level of Education

The Constitution of the Kingdom of Thailand 1997, Section 80, defined the Government to promote equity of females and males; while the Constitution of the Kingdom of Thailand 2007, Section 30, regulated that "All persons are equal before the law and shall enjoy equal protection under the law". It is prohibited for unjustified discrimination to persons or any of which, due to differences in habitat, race, language, gender, age, physical or mental disability, economic or social status, religious belief, education / training or political opinions that do not contradict the Provisions of the Constitution. In addition, the National Education Act 1999 and Amendments 2002, Section 10, specified the thorough and gualitative provision of the rights and equal opportunities to access the free 12 years of basic education. Moreover, the Compulsory Education Act 2002 has enforced parents who have 6 aged children to educate them with 9 - year basic education, resulting equity among boys and girls at lower secondary education. It was found that the number of girls learning pre-primary, primary and lower secondary is slightly less than boys; while more females at upper secondary and higher education, as shown in Figure 17.

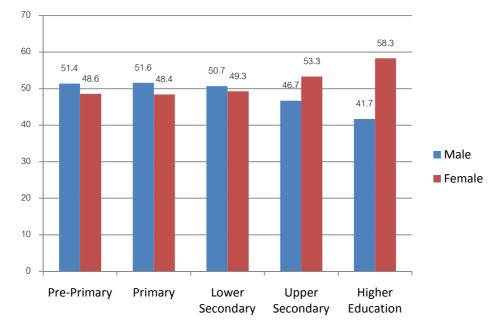


Figure 17: Percentage of Student in Basic Education Nationwide: Year 2012

Source: Office of the Education Council, 2013.

Analysis and Recommendations on Putting Every Child in School

The aim of this analysis is to present the result of analysis on educational opportunities to ensure that every child is put in school, using the guideline of the United Nations:

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For the intake rate of 6 aged group in each province, it was found that the provinces with lowest intake rates were Chonburi and Satun.

2.3.2 Net Intake Rate of 1st Graders

Net intake rate is the ratio of 6 aged first Graders to total 6 aged populations. It was found that the net intake rate increased during the years 2010 – 2012. The net intake rate at 58.23% in the year 2010 increased to 61.95% in 2011 and to 64.53% in 2012. The provinces with lowest net intake rates were Phuket, Nonthaburi, Chonburi, Samut Prakarn, and Songkla.

2.3.3 Ratio of Grade 1 Students by Age In 2012, it was found that Grade 1 students composed of 3 groups of populations: 2.56% were younger than 6 years old, 67.56% were 6 years old and 29.89 were older than 6 years.

2.3.4 Ratio of Grade 1 Students by Hometown In 2012, it was found that 94.2% of 6 aged first Graders were learning in their hometowns, while 5.8% were learning in schools located outside their hometowns.

Considering by provinces, there were first Graders whose hometowns were in other provinces, not the ones located their schools (move in), and first Graders who moved out to learn in other provinces which were not their own hometowns. The provinces with most moving in students were Samut Sakorn and Chonburi, while the provinces with most moving out students were Nonthaburi and Burirum.

3. Narrowing gender gap at every level of education

It was found that in 2012 the number of girls learning pre-primary, primary and lower secondary is slightly less than boys; while more females at upper secondary and higher education. This reflected the equity of education provision for everyone, no discrimination on gender.

Recommendations on Putting Every Child in School

Thailand has attached importance to "Putting Every Child in School", as seen on the efforts in eliminating obstacles preventing children from schools; the various measures such as the high ratio of budgets allocated particularly for basic education; the equal opportunities provided for every child in particular along the borders to access primary and lower secondary education; the efforts in narrowing gender gap at every level. However, although the government has made a lot of efforts for the equal opportunities in education, there are still some children left behind as indicated by the data on low enrolment in some provinces. It is therefore necessary to find the actual causes and ways to solve the problems in each area.

Since there is limitation in collecting data, the following is the recommendations in data collecting system for planning on education development: Therefore, it is necessary to find means to encourage putting every

child in schools. These are some suggestions:

- 1. To conduct research in depth on the causes of low enrolment rates in those provinces to find the solutions on increasing the rates;
- 2. The government to provide additional funding for those poor learners who could not afford the learning expenditure;
- 3. To support bilingual teaching in schools in bordering provinces that people also speak neighbouring languages;
- 4. To review regulations and publicize for understanding on the enrolments of those disabled, pregnant, conflict affected and disadvantaged groups of children;
- 5. To encourage diverse teaching innovation in order to access those children in remote areas and bordering provinces;
- 6. To coordinate with those concerned authorities to recognize the importance of systematic, one-stop, up to date and reliable data collection, in order to utilize in education planning and development.

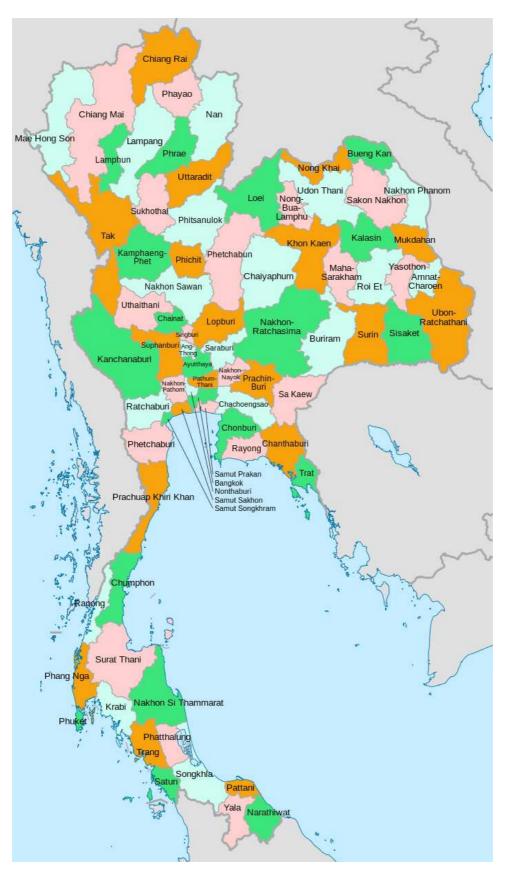
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Appendix A

Appendix B

Glossary

Net Intake Rate of 6 aged Children means the opportunity that populations at 6 years of age enrolled to learn Grade 1 in any educational institutions or provinces. The rate is calculated by percentage of the number of 6 aged first Graders per 6 aged populations.

Enrolment Rate of 6 aged Children means the opportunity that 6 aged populations are educated at any levels, any educational institutions or areas. The rate is calculated by percentage of the number of 6 aged learners per 6 aged populations.

Hometown means address according to household registration (as appeared in database of individual students)

Province means the province as hometown of learners in the household registration

Data Gathering Procedure

The data used in this analysis were from secondary source, the ICT Centre of the Office of the Permanent Secretary, gathering the data on:

- 1. Number of 6 aged students learning pre-primary and primary
- 2. Number of Grade 1 students by age

3. Data on individual students by province – age, gender, hometown, from database in 2010 and 2012 of the ICT Centre

For the number of population at 31 December 2012 by age, gender and province, the data were from Ministry of Interior. (Bureau of Registration Administration, Department of Provincial Administration)

Analysis of Opportunities in Education

The data gathered were analyzed for indicators on opportunities in education of 6 aged populations as follows:

1. Calculation of Indicators on Opportunities in Education of 6 aged Populations

1.1 Intake rate of Grade 1 / 6 aged Group calculated by

Net intake rate for Grade 1	= number of Grade 1 students at
	6 years old X 100 / number of
	6 years old populations
Intake rate of 6 aged population	is = number of students at 6 years
	old X 100 / number of 6 years
	old populations

Criteria used in classifying Indicators on Opportunities in Education

The enrolment rate and net enrolment rate were presented by maps by provinces; equal interval was applied with the following principles:

2. The result from no. 1 was the width of each interval, calculated as

follows:

- Interval 1 starting from minimum figure by the maximum of this interval = minimum + interval width
- Interval 2 starting from the figure second to maximum of interval 1, the maximum of this interval = default figure of this interval + interval width
- Interval 3 starting from the figure second to maximum of interval 2, the maximum of this interval = default figure of this interval + interval width
- Interval 4 starting from the figure second to maximum of interval 3, the maximum of this interval = default figure of this interval + interval width
- Interval 5 starting from the figure second to maximum of interval 4, the maximum of this interval will be the maximum of each issue. The minimum and maximum of each interval will vary according to each indicator

3. Provinces with net enrolment and enrolment rates were compared among provinces as follows:

Indicator was in interval 1 meaning the opportunity was at level 1 (map showing with dark red colour)

Indicator was in interval 2 meaning the opportunity was at level 2 (map showing with light red colour)

Indicator was in interval 3 meaning the opportunity was at level 3 (map showing with yellow colour)

Indicator was in interval 4 meaning the opportunity was at level 4 (map showing with light green colour)

Indicator was in interval 5 meaning the opportunity was at level 5 (map showing with dark green colour)

The classification into 5 levels above was to differentiate the indicator of each province for comparison reason.

Appendix C

Table 1 Overall 6 aged children, 2010 – 2012

Y = Academic Year

	2012		201	1	2010		
Ratio	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	
6 aged students at							
pre-primary	141,623	21.76	137,630	21.74	146,544	24.26	
6 aged students at							
Grade 1	509,214	78.24	495,446	78.26	457,578	75.74	
Total 6 aged							
students	650,837	100.00	633,076	100.00	604,122	100.00	
Total Grade 1							
students	835,750		859,911		840,046		
Total 6 aged							
populations	789,159		799,781		785,844		
Ratio of 6 aged							
Grade 1 students to							
total Grade 1							
students		60.93		57.62		54.47	
Ratio of 6 aged							
Grade 1 students to							
total 6 aged							
populations		64.53		61.95		58.23	
Ratio of total 6 aged							
students to total 6							
aged populations		82.47		79.16		76.88	

Source: Office of the Education Council (2013)

Table 2 Number of grade 1 students by age in the year 2012

	2012		201	1	2010		
Age	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	
Younger							
than 6	21,371	2.56	19,422	2.26	65,431	7.79	
6	564,599	67.56	582,191	67.70	587,051	69.88	
Older							
than 6	249,780	29.89	258,298	30.04	187,594	22.33	
Total	835,750	100.00	859,911	100.00	840,076	100.00	

Source: Office of the Education Council (2013)

Province	Total Students in Province locating schools	Total Students in Home Provinces	Learning in Home Province	% of total students in the province	Learn in other Province	% to Home Students	Coming from other Provinces	% to all Students in the Province
Krabi	8,307	8,121	7,812	94.0	308	3.8	495	6.0
BKK	52,990	53,227	50,003	94.4	3,223	6.1	2987	5.6
Kanjanaburi	11,143	11,189	10,390	93.2	799	7.1	753	6.8
Kalasin	11,649	11,964	11,362	97.5	602	5.0	288	2.5
Kampangpet	10,006	10,282	9,534	95.3	748	7.3	472	4.7
Konkaen	20,805	21,195	20,116	96.7	1,078	5.1	688	3.3
Chantaburi	5,502	5,340	4,950	90.0	390	7.3	553	10.0
Chachengsao	8,452	8,054	7,326	86.7	728	9.0	1126	13.3
Chonburi	10,748	9,284	8,233	76.6	1,051	11.3	2515	23.4
Chainat	3,333	3,448	3,121	93.6	327	9.5	212	6.4
Chaiphum	15,919	16,274	15,412	96.8	862	5.3	506	3.2
Chumpon	7,709	7,399	7,133	92.5	266	3.6	576	7.5
Chiangrai	15,205	15,506	14,887	97.9	619	4.0	318	2.1
Chiangmai	21,773	21,708	21,174	97.3	533	2.5	599	2.7
Trang	9,393	9,297	9,052	96.4	246	2.6	341	3.6
Trad	3,141	3,077	2,926	93.2	151	4.9	215	6.8
Tak	9,380	9,565	9,206	98.1	358	3.7	174	1.9
Nakonnayok	3,035	2,943	2,659	87.6	284	9.6	376	12.4
Nakonpathom	8,988	8,364	7,610	84.7	753	9.0	1378	15.3
Nakonpanom	1 1,661	11,688	11,243	96.4	445	3.8	418	3.6
Nakon Ratchasima	30,057	30,300	28,769	95.7	1,531	5.1	1288	4.3
Nakonsi Thammarat	19,437	19,719	18,829	96.9	890	4.5	609	3.1
Nakonsawan	13,671	14,005	13,145	96.1	861	6.1	527	3.9
Nonthaburi	5,868	5,597	4,560	77.7	1,037	18.5	1308	22.3
Narathiwat	12,211	12,160	11,920	97.6	239	2.0	290	2.4
Nan	6,100	6,176	5,976	98.0	201	3.3	124	2.0

 Table 3 Number and percentage of grade 1 students learning in their hometowns and outside

Province	Total Students in Province locating schools	Total Students in Home Provinces	Learning in Home Province	% of total students in the province	Learn in other Province	% to Home Students	Coming from other Provinces	% to all Students in the Province
Burirum	21,561	22,086	20,860	96.7	1,227	5.6	701	3.3
Pathumthani	8,415	7,904	6,789	80.7	1,115	14.1	1626	19.3
Prachuab	5,740	5,657	5,369	93.5	288	5.1	371	6.5
Prachinburi	4,620	4,555	4,129	89.4	426	9.4	491	10.6
Pattani	9,490	10,005	9,178	96.7	826	8.3	312	3.3
Ayutthaya	8,530	7,876	7,183	84.2	693	8.8	1347	15.8
Payao	4,847	4,892	4,723	97.4	169	3.5	124	2.6
Phang-nga	3,334	3,207	3,071	92.1	136	4.2	263	7.9
Pattalung	5,620	5,710	5,410	96.3	299	5.2	210	3.7
Pichit	5,220	5,459	4,890	93.7	569	10.4	330	6.3
Pitsanulok	10,740	10,882	10,251	95.5	631	5.8	489	4.5
Petchburi	4,459	4,410	4,196	94.1	214	4.8	262	5.9
Petchaboon	13,411	13,806	12,995	96.9	811	5.9	416	3.1
Prae	4,746	4,777	4,620	97.3	157	3.3	127	2.7
Phuket	2,329	2,392	2,114	90.8	278	11.6	215	9.2
Mahasarakam	12,262	12,555	11,963	97.6	592	4.7	299	2.4
Mukdahan	5,131	5,234	4,945	96.4	289	5.5	187	3.6
Mae Hongson	4,290	4,295	4,144	96.6	151	3.5	146	3.4
Yasothorn	6,958	7,097	6,735	96.8	362	5.1	223	3.2
Yala	7,985	7,669	7,316	91.6	353	4.6	669	8.4
Roi-et	15,705	16,213	15,320	97.5	893	5.5	385	2.5
Ranong	2,489	2,460	2,344	94.2	115	4.7	145	5.8
Rayong	8,521	7,618	7,108	83.4	510	6.7	1413	16.6
Ratburi	8,594	8,482	7,881	91.7	601	7.1	712	8.3
Lopburi	6,616	6,598	6,041	91.3	558	8.5	576	8.7
Lumpang	7,058	7,143	6,903	97.8	240	3.4	155	2.2
Lumpoon	4,698	4,666	4,484	95.5	182	3.9	214	4.5
Loei	8,981	9,026	8,741	97.3	285	3.2	240	2.7

Province	Total Students in Province locating schools	Total Students in Home Provinces	Learning in Home Province	% of total students in the province	Learn in other Province	% to Home Students	Coming from other Provinces	% to all Students in the Province
Sisaket	19,445	19,983	18,898	97.2	1,086	5.4	547	2.8
Skonnakon	16,380	16,855	15,943	97.3	912	5.4	437	2.7
Songkla	13,192	12,875	12,249	92.9	625	4.9	943	7.1
Satun	3,742	3,728	3,588	95.9	141	3.8	155	4.1
Samut Prakan	15,360	14,369	13,379	87.1	990	6.9	1981	12.9
Samut Songkram	1,651	1,649	1,494	90.5	155	9.4	157	9.5
Samut Sakorn	5,530	4,516	3,992	72.2	524	11.6	1539	27.8
Srakaew	7,303	7,443	6,865	94.0	578	7.8	439	6.0
Saraburi	6,286	6,029	5,385	85.7	645	10.7	902	14.3
Singburi	2,077	1,995	1,837	88.4	159	7.9	240	11.6
Sukhothai	7,186	7,258	6,871	95.6	388	5.3	315	4.4
Supanburi	9,471	9,597	8,692	91.8	904	9.4	779	8.2
Suratthani	11,828	11,309	10,805	91.3	504	4.5	1023	8.7
Surin	20,035	20,481	19,450	97.1	1,031	5.0	585	2.9
Nongkai	13,689	13,875	12,811	93.6	1,064	7.7	879	6.4
Nongbua Lumphu	6,771	6,951	6,464	95.5	487	7.0	307	4.5
Ang-thong	3,080	3,043	2,750	89.3	293	9.6	330	10.7
Amnatcharoen	5,640	5,619	5,419	96.1	200	3.6	221	3.9
Udonthani	21,036	21,653	20,471	97.3	1,182	5.5	565	2.7
Utradit	5,186	5,302	5,021	96.8	280	5.3	165	3.2
Uthaithani	4,566	4,558	4,249	93.1	310	6.8	317	6.9
Ubon Ratchathani	28,305	28,953	27,768	98.1	1,186	4.1	537	1.9
Total	776,595	776,595	731,451	94.2	45,144	5.8	45,144	5.8

Source: Office of the Education Council (2013)

Province	Grade 1 Students by Hometown	6 aged Students at Grade 1	Total Grade 1 Students	Total 6 aged Students	6 aged Population	% 6 aged Grade 1 to total Grade 1	% 6 aged Grade 1 to 6 aged Population	% Total 6 aged Students to 6 aged Population
Krabi	7,033	4,166	7,323	5,691	7,364	56.90	56.58	77.28
BKK	66,524	47,738	63,508	53,860	60,577	75.17	78.81	88.91
Kanjana buri	13,979	8,150	13,982	9,220	10,444	58.29	78.04	88.28
Kalasin	12,543	7,089	12,222	9,859	11,669	58.00	60.75	84.49
Kampangpet	9,423	5,967	9,119	7,413	9,086	65.44	65.68	81.59
Khon-kaen	20,279	11,813	19,928	17,465	20,540	59.28	57.51	85.03
Chanta buri	6,207	4,111	6,418	4,400	6,065	64.05	67.79	72.55
Chachengsao	9,131	6,289	9,700	6,637	8,408	64.83	74.79	78.93
Chonburi	10,782	6,652	12,611	9,651	18,352	52.75	36.25	52.59
Chainat	3,836	2,660	3,733	2,841	3,629	71.25	73.30	78.30
Chaiphum	15,922	10,737	15,550	11,410	13,404	69.05	80.10	85.12
Chumpon	6,928	4,298	7,288	5,097	6,029	58.98	71.29	84.54
Chiangrai	17,475	8,227	17,081	11,777	12,389	48.17	66.41	95.06
Chiangmai	22,003	9,961	22,231	15,887	16,682	44.80	59.71	95.23
Trang	7,982	4,197	8,119	7,661	9,058	51.70	46.34	84.58
Trad	3,858	2,414	3,929	2,536	2,653	61.44	90.98	95.58
Tak	12,037	4,731	11,707	7,881	8,280	40.41	57.14	95.19
Nakonnayok	3,301	2,417	3,404	2,425	3,010	71.01	80.30	80.57
Nakonpathom	9,656	6,715	10,402	7,892	10,372	64.56	64.75	76.09
Nakonpanom	11,557	7,555	11,593	9,631	9,654	65.17	78.26	99.76
Nakon Ratchasima	33,911	23,319	33,753	24,968	31,319	69.09	74.46	79.72
Nakonsi Thammarat	19,073	9,988	18,721	16,249	19,570	53.35	51.04	83.03
Nakonsawan	11,926	8,303	11,553	11,541	12,286	71.87	67.58	93.93
Nonthaburi	6,561	4,142	7,065	8,412	12,727	58.63	32.55	66.10

Table 4Educational opportunities of 6 aged populations

Province	Grade 1 Students by Hometown	6 aged Students at Grade 1	Total Grade 1 Students	Total 6 aged Students	6 aged Population	% 6 aged Grade 1 to total Grade 1	% 6 aged Grade 1 to 6 aged Population	% Total 6 aged Students to 6 aged Population
Narathiwat	16,545	8,740	16,655	10,582	13,301	52.48	65.71	79.56
Nan	6,540	3,530	6,472	4,889	5,180	54.53	68.14	94.38
Burirum	24,742	16,982	24,227	18,199	20,479	70.10	82.93	88.87
Pathumthani	8,958	6,221	9,693	9,812	13,503	64.18	46.07	72.67
Prachuab	6,517	3,962	6,626	4,862	6,729	59.80	58.88	72.25
Prachinburi	5,125	3,455	5,215	3,753	5,851	66.25	59.05	64.14
Pattani	13,137	6,799	12,516	8,244	12,070	54.32	56.33	68.30
Ayutthaya	8,691	6,188	9,480	6,690	9,398	65.27	65.84	71.19
Payao	4,357	2,689	4,279	4,031	4,463	62.84	60.25	90.33
Phang-nga	4,030	2,046	4,182	2,642	3,681	48.94	55.60	71.78
Pattalung	6,535	3,503	6,407	4,705	6,501	54.68	53.89	72.37
Pichit	6,122	4,373	5,896	5,498	6,447	74.16	67.83	85.28
Pitsanulok	10,128	7,076	10,042	8,967	9,654	70.46	73.29	92.88
Petchburi	4,969	2,911	5,077	3,864	5,434	57.35	53.58	71.11
Petchaboon	11,422	7,347	10,979	10,376	11,928	66.93	61.60	86.99
Prae	3,981	2,326	3,970	3,736	4,056	58.60	57.36	92.11
Phuket	2,998	1,768	2,930	3,971	5,441	60.33	32.49	72.98
Mahasarakam	11,778	6,912	11,473	9,945	10,512	60.24	65.75	94.61
Mukdahan	5,269	3,027	5,167	4,143	4,495	58.59	67.35	92.17
Mae Hongson	5,408	2,375	5,358	2,539	3,480	44.32	68.24	72.96
Yasothorn	6,567	3,881	6,425	4,848	6,108	60.40	63.54	79.37
Yala	9,811	5,638	10,186	6,319	9,003	55.35	62.63	70.19
Roi-et	16,066	10,528	15,600	12,860	14,587	67.49	72.18	88.16
Ranong	3,041	1,738	3,060	2,027	2,452	56.79	70.88	82.66
Rayong	8,825	5,716	9,932	6,277	9,189	57.56	62.21	68.31
Ratburi	10,062	6,773	10,221	6,990	10,024	66.26	67.56	69.73
Lopburi	7,550	5,331	7,620	5,547	8,480	69.95	62.86	65.41
Lumpang	6,230	4,189	6,150	5,886	6,468	68.12	64.77	91.01
Lumpoon	3,742	2,154	3,782	3,645	3,781	56.97	56.98	96.40

Province	Grade 1 Students by Hometown	6 aged Students at Grade 1	Total Grade 1 Students	Total 6 aged Students	6 aged Population	% 6 aged Grade 1 to total Grade 1	% 6 aged Grade 1 to 6 aged Population	% Total 6 aged Students to 6 aged Population
Loei	8,176	5,240	8,119	7,338	7,800	64.54	67.18	94.08
Sisaket	21,741	13,950	21,173	16,467	18,308	65.89	76.20	89.94
Skonnakon	17,992	10,206	17,523	13,889	15,098	58.24	67.60	91.99
Songkla	15,831	8,410	16,244	15,609	19,608	51.77	42.89	79.61
Satun	4,293	2,342	4,297	3,072	4,992	54.51	46.92	61.54
Samut Prakan	20,937	5,908	22,396	11,840	14,561	26.38	40.57	81.31
Samut Songkram	1,976	1,361	1,993	1,359	2,132	68.27	63.81	63.72
Samut Sakorn	5,451	3,601	6,761	4,021	6,420	53.26	56.09	62.63
Srakaew	8,309	5,946	8,180	6,133	7,368	72.69	80.70	83.24
Saraburi	6,748	4,920	7,067	4,968	7,644	69.62	64.37	65.00
Singburi	2,372	1,581	2,469	1,844	2,249	64.02	70.29	81.99
Sukhothai	7,143	4,670	7,039	5,981	6,687	66.35	69.84	89.44
Supanburi	11,017	7,587	10,958	7,908	9,833	69.24	77.16	80.42
Suratthani	11,942	6,515	12,610	9,319	13,868	51.66	46.98	67.20
Surin	23,082	13,730	22,590	15,877	17,755	60.78	77.33	89.42
Nongkai	13,625	8,539	13,367	11,433	12,300	63.88	69.43	92.95
Nongbua Lumphu	7,809	4,714	7,572	5,728	6,527	62.25	72.22	87.76
Ang-thong	3,278	2,299	3,358	2,507	3,012	68.46	76.32	83.24
Amnatcharoen	5,246	2,941	5,248	4,030	4,677	56.04	62.89	86.17
Udonthani	20,979	12,118	20,284	17,842	19,203	59.74	63.11	92.91
Utradit	5,039	3,441	4,916	4,369	4,938	70.00	69.69	88.47
Uthaithani	4,573	3,104	4,607	3,756	4,063	67.38	76.40	92.45
Ubon Ratchathani	27,121	16,269	26,416	21,858	23,854	61.59	68.20	91.63
Total	835,750	509,214	835,750	650,837	789,159	60.93	64.53	82.47

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