XXIX. THE JUDICIARY

A. SUPREME COURT OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE LOWER COURTS

Appropriations/Obligations

Description	2016	2016 2017		2018			
				SCPLC	Recommendation		
New General Appropriations	23,566,425	28,995,687	(39,800,690)	30,537,328		
General Fund	23,566,425	28,995,687	(39,800,690)	30,537,328		
Automatic Appropriations	763,631	803,430	(1,538,212)	862,906		
Retirement and Life Insurance Premiums	763,631	803,430	(1,538,212)	862,906		
Continuing Appropriations	3,772,747	1,229,673					
Unobligated Releases for COE R.A. No. 9336 As Reenacted R.A. No. 9524 R.A. No. 9570 R.A. No. 10147 R.A. No. 10155 R.A. No. 10352 R.A. No. 10633 R.A. No. 10651 R.A. No. 10651 R.A. No. 10717 R.A. No. 9401 R.A. No. 9498 Budgetary Adjustment(s) Transfer(s) from: Miscellaneous Personnel Benefits Fund Pension and Gratuity Fund	934 23,703 43,770 561,671 276,292 931,355 1,933,065 3 1,585 1,529,899 1,229,215 300,684	934 23,703 369 63 5,378 1,882 524,879 670,877 3 1,585					
Total Available Appropriations	29,632,702	31,028,790	(41,338,902)	31,400,234		
Unused Appropriations	(1,259,922)	(1,229,673)					
Unreleased Appropriation Unobligated Allotment	(30,249) (1,229,673)	(1,229,673)					
TOTAL OBLIGATIONS	28,372,780	29,799,117	(41,338,902)	31,400,234		

EXPENDITURE PROGRAM (in pesos)					
GAS / STO / OPERATIONS / PROJECTS	2016 Actual	2017 Current	2018 Proposed		
General Administration and Support	6,672,240,000	10,837,150,000	11,332,428,000		
Regular	6,672,240,000	10,837,150,000	11,332,428,000		
PS MODE CO	2,345,645,000 1,609,476,000 2,717,119,000	7,427,588,000 2,024,692,000 1,384,870,000	7,931,948,000 1,933,871,000 1,466,609,000		
Support to Operations			1,565,790,000		
Regular			266,570,000		
PS MOOE			141,705,000 124,865,000		
Projects / Purpose			1,299,220,000		
MOOE CO			102,010,000 1,197,210,000		

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Operations	18,841,974,000	16,949,451,000	18,502,016,000
Regular	18,841,974,000	16,949,451,000	18,502,016,000
PS MOOE CO	16,418,813,000 2,364,804,000 58,357,000	14,202,086,000 2,747,365,000	15,646,849,000 2,855,167,000
Projects / Purpose	2,858,566,000	2,012,516,000	·
MODE CO	73,016,000 2,785,550,000	173,076,000 1,839,440,000	
TOTAL AGENCY BUDGET	28,372,780,000	29,799,117,000	31,400,234,000
Regular	25,514,214,000	27,786,601,000	30,101,014,000
PS MOOE CO	18,764,458,000 3,974,280,000 2,775,476,000	21,629,674,000 4,772,057,000 1,384,870,000	23,720,502,000 4,913,903,000 1,466,609,000
Projects / Purpose	2,858,566,000	2,012,516,000	1,299,220,000
MOOE CO	73,016,000 2,785,550,000	173,076,000 1,839,440,000	102,010,000 1,197,210,000

	ST	STAFFING SUMMARY			
	2016	2017	2018		
TOTAL STAFFING Total Number of Authorized Positions Total Number of Filled Positions	36,270 25,160	37,230 25,154	37,230 25,154		

OPERATIONS BY PROGRAM	PS	MOOE	СО	TOTAL
ADJUDICATION PROGRAM	14,848,198,000	2,855,167,000		17,703,365,000

EXPENDITURE PROGRAM BY CENTRAL / REGIONAL ALLOCATION, 2018 (in pesos)

REGION	P5	MODE	C0	TOTAL
Regional Allocation	22,857,596,000	5,015,913,000	2,663,819,000	30,537,328,000
National Capital Region (NCR)	22,857,596,000	5,015,913,000	2,663,819,000	30,537,328,000
TOTAL AGENCY BUDGET	22,857,596,000	5,015,913,000	2,663,819,000	30,537,328,000

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SPECIAL PROVISION(S)

1. Judiciary Development Fund. In addition to the amounts appropriated herein, all income derived from increase in the legal fees prescribed in the amendments to Rule 141 of the Rules of Court promulgated by the Supreme Court of the Philippines after July 18, 1984, constituted into the Judiciary Development Fund (JDF), shall be used to augment the allowances of the members and personnel of the Judiciary and finance the acquisition, maintenance and repair of office equipment and facilities in accordance with Sections 1 and 3 of P.D. No. 1949. At least eighty percent (80%) of said amount shall be used for the payment of cost of living allowances and not more than twenty percent (20%) for the purchase of office equipment and facilities of the courts.

The COA shall audit the receipts, revenues, uses, disbursements and expenditures of the JDF every quarter and submit the appropriate report in writing to the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, the Presiding Justice of the Court of Appeals and all Executive Judges.

Likewise, the Supreme Court shall submit to the DBM, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the President of the Senate of the Philippines, the House Committee on Appropriations and the Senate Committee on Finance, either in printed form or by way of electronic document, quarterly reports on its income and expenditures. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court and the Court's web administrator or his/her equivalent shall likewise be responsible for ensuring that said reports are posted on the Supreme Court website.

- 2. Special Allowance of Justices and Judges. The special allowance of Justices, Judges and all other positions in the Judiciary with equivalent rank, which have already been fully integrated into their salaries shall cease to be granted. The amount of Five Hundred Sixty Nine Million Four Hundred Sixty Seven Thousand Pesos (P569,467,000) corresponding to the Special Allowance for the Judiciary component of their salaries shall be deposited with the National Treasury as income of the General Fund pursuant to Section 44, Chapter 5, Book VI of E.O. No. 292, s. 1987. Once deposited, the salary being received by the members of the Judiciary shall be sourced and funded from the General Fund.
- 3. Administration of Appropriations. The appropriations provided herein for the Supreme Court of the Philippines and the Lower Courts shall be administered by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, subject to the provisions of P.D. No. 985, as amended, E.O. No. 292 and other budgeting, accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
- 4. Organizational Structure. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary and within the limits of appropriations in this Act, the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court is hereby authorized to:

(a) formulate and implement Judiciary's organizational structure;

(b) fix and determine the salaries, allowances and other benefits of Judiciary personnel in accordance with the rates and levels authorized under R.A. No. 6758, as amended and R.A. No. 6686, as amended; and

(c) create new positions, transfer an item or make other adjustments in the Personnel Services itemization, whenever public interest so requires.

Implementation of the foregoing shall be subject to: (i) compliance with organization, staffing and position classification and compensation standards; (ii) scrap and build policy; and (iii) submission to DBM of a resolution stating the changes in the organization and staffing in accordance with the foregoing standards and policy for proper documentation.

The officials and employees whose positions are affected by a reorganization shall be granted retirement benefits or separation pay in accordance with existing laws, which shall be payable from any unexpended balance of, or savings in the appropriations of the Judiciary.

- 5. Use of Savings. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court is authorized to use savings to augment actual deficiencies in accordance with Section 25 (5), Article VI of the Constitution and the General Provisions of this Act.
- 6. Non-Recurring Expenses. All non-recurring items of appropriations authorized herein such as, but not limited to, foreign-assisted projects and locally-funded projects, shall not form part of the Judiciary's appropriations that may not be reduced by Congress under Section 3, Article VIII of the Constitution. The Supreme Court en banc, through a resolution, shall affirm the items of appropriation in the Judiciary's budget that are non-recurring, as defined above, and which shall not be considered in the total appropriations that may not be reduced.
- 7. Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses of Lower Courts. The amount of Two Billion Five Hundred Ten Million Two Hundred Eighty Seven Thousand Pesos (P2,510,287,000) shall be used exclusively to cover all the MOOE requirements of lower courts to ensure the efficient administration of justice and guarantee judicial independence, with annual allocations, as follows:

RTC	P1,440,000
MetC	P1,337,000
МТСС	P1,337,000
МТС	P 926,000
MCTC	P 926,000
SDC	P 926,000
SCC	P 926,000

The foregoing allocation shall be released directly to lower courts upon issuance by the Supreme Court of an advisory to all lower courts not to receive MOOE funding support from the LGUs. For this purpose, the Supreme Court shall provide lower courts with the necessary support staff to ensure compliance with budgeting, accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

To facilitate the utilization of said MODE allocation and ensure that the requirements of lower courts are readily available and provided, the Procurement Service (PS), through its Regional Depots shall provide an easy access facility for lower courts to source all their MODE requirements from the PS. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court and the Court's web administrator or his/her equivalent shall be responsible for ensuring that the utilization of funds allocated for each lower court is posted on the Supreme Court website.

8. Funding Requirements for the Filling of Unfilled Positions. The amount of Six Billion Five Hundred One Million Six Hundred Fifty Three Thousand Pesos (P6,501,653,000) appropriated herein for Personnel Services shall be used for the filling of unfilled positions as of December 31, 2016. Said amount shall be automatically and regularly released and be available for obligation until the end of FY 2018. Any unexpended balance therefrom shall revert to the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund in accordance with Section 28, Chapter 4, Book VI of E.O. No. 292.

The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court and the Court's web administrator or his/her equivalent shall be responsible for ensuring that quarterly reports on utilization of this amount are posted on the Supreme Court website.

- 9. Expenses for Official Travel, The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court may authorize the reimbursement of actual and reasonable expenses incurred during official travel in carrying out the supervisory functions of the Supreme Court over the lower courts, subject to the limits prescribed under E.O. No. 298, s. 2004 and duly supported by receipts pursuant to accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
- 10. Payment of Adjusted Pension. The amounts appropriated herein for payment of pensions to retired Justices and Judges shall be adjusted at the rates authorized under Section 3-A of R.A. No. 910, as amended, and implemented by SC A.M. No. 91-8-225-C.A.
- 11. Public-Private Partnership (PPP) for Court Automation. The amount of Three Hundred Seventy Two Million One Hundred Ten Thousand Pesos (P372,110,000) appropriated for the Enterprise Information Systems Plan (EISP) shall be used by the Supreme Court to comply with its obligations under any PPP project for court automation, which may be approved in accordance with R.A. No. 6957, as amended. Any balance of the amounts appropriated herein shall only be utilized for projects that support or relate to other projects under the Judiciary's court automation project.
- 12. Appropriations for Programs and Specific Activities. The amounts appropriated herein for the programs of the agency shall be used specifically for the following activities in the indicated amounts and conditions:

		Current Operating	Expenditures					
	Personnel	Services	Maintenan Operating	te and Other Expenses	Capita	1 Outlays	Το	tal
	SCPLC	Recommendation	SCPLC	Recommendation	SCPLC	Recommendation	SCPLC	Recommendation
PROGRAMS								
10000000000000 General Administration and Support	(9,649,556,000)	7,879,347,000	(3,529,608,000)	1,933,871,000	(1,955,995,000)	1,466,609,000	(15,135,159,000)	11,279,827,000
100000100001000 General Management and Supervision	(639,136,000)	345,134,000	(3,098,993,000)	1,583,702,000	(1,934,491,000)	1,466,609,000	(5,672,620,000)	3,395,445,000
100000100002000 Administration of Personnel Benefits	(8,584,043,000)	7,223,582,000					(8,584,043,000)	7,223,582,000
100000100003000 Supervision of Lower Courts	(426,377,000)	310,631,000	(430,615,000)	350,169,000	(21,504,000)		(878,496,000)	660,800,000
Sub-total, General Administration and Support	(9,649,556,000)	7,879,347,000	(3,529,608,000)	1,933,871,000	(1,955,995,000)	1,466,609,000	(15,135,159,000)	11,279,827,000
20000000000000 Support to Operations	(226,833,000)	130,051,000	(236,699,000)	226,875,000	(1,297,338,000)	1,197,210,000	(1,760,870,000)	1,554,136,000
200000100001000 Judicial Bar Council	(59,598,000)	32,769,000	(27,642,000)	27,554,000	(4,516,000)		(91,756,000)	60,323,000
200000100002000 Operations of Philippine Judicial Academy (PHILJA)	(149,691,000)	88,486,000	(100,374,000)	90,638,000	(23,612,000)		(273,677,000)	179,124,000
200000100003000 Operations of Mandatory Continuing Legal Education (MCLE)	(17,544,000)	8,796,000	(6,673,000)	6,673,000			(24,217,000)	15,469,000
Project(s)								
Locally-Funded Project(s)			(102,010,000)	102,010,000	(1,269,210,000)	1,197,210,000	(1,371,220,000)	1,299,220,000
200000200001000 Subsidy to Integrated Bar of the Philippines (IBP)			(30,000,000)	30,000,000			(30,000,000)	30,000,000
200000200002000 Enterprise Information Systems Plan (EISP)			(72,010,000)	72,010,000	(372,100,000)	300,100,000	(444,110,000)	372,110,000
200000200003000 Construction/Completion/and /or Repair/Rehabilitation of the Halls of Justice nationwide (JUSIP)				,	(897,110,000)	897,110,000	(897,110,000)	897,110,000
Sub-total, Support to Operations	(226,833,000)	130,051,000	(236,699,000)	226,875,000	(1,297,338,000)	1,197,210,000	(1,760,870,000)	1,554,136,000

New Appropriations, by Programs/Activities/Projects

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3000000000000000	Operations	(19,267,759,000)	14,848,198,000	(3,182,000,000)	2,855,167,000	(454,902,000)	(22,904,661,000)	17,703,365,000
310000000000000	OD : Independent, Effective and Efficient Administration of Justice	(19,267,759,000)	14,848,198,000	(3,182,000,000)	2,855,167,000	(454,902,000)	(22,904,661,000)	17,703,365,000
310100000000000	ADJUDICATION PROGRAM	(19,267,759,000)	14,848,198,000	(3,182,000,000)	2,855,167,000	(454,902,000)	(22,904,661,000)	17,703,365,000
310100100001000	Adjudication of Regional Trial Court Cases	(10,674,689,000)	8,341,105,000	(1,459,894,000)	1,240,097,000 ((193,244,000)	(12,327,827,000)	9,581,202,000
310100100002000	Adjudication of Netropolitan Court Cases	(959,553,000)	709,401,000	(148,949,000)	140,975,000 ((34,322,000)	(1,142,824,000)	850,376,000
310100100003000	Adjudication of Municipal Trial Court Cases in Cities	(1,985,289,000)	1,501,859,000	(309,931,000)	291,275,000 ((28,064,000)	(2,323,284,000)	1,793,134,000
310100100004000	Adjudication of Municipal Circuit Court Cases	(2,414,866,000)	1,913,316,000	(423,008,000)	413,418,000 ((39,205,000)	(2,877,079,000)	2,326,734,000
310100100005000	Adjudication of Municipal Court Cases	(1,945,320,000)	1,520,740,000	(324,480,000)	317,600,000 ((52,848,000)	(2,322,648,000)	1,838,340,000
310100100006000	Adjudication of Shari'a District Court Cases	(30,666,000)	22,604,000	(10,922,000)	10,775,000 ((566,000)	(42,154,000)	33,379,000
310100100007000	Adjudication of Shari'a Circuit Court Cases	(176,897,000)	121,841,000	(26,154,000)	25,544,000 (832,000)	(203,883,000)	147,385,000
310100100008000	Adjudication of Child and Family Court Cases	(208,641,000)		(116,747,000)	70,603,000 ((85,039,000)	(410,427,000)	70,603,000
310100100009000	Adjudication of Supreme Court Cases	(871,838,000)	717,332,000	(361,915,000)	344,880,000 ((20,782,000)	(1,254,535,000)	1,062,212,000
Sub-total, Opera	itions	(19,267,759,000)	14,848,198,000	(3,182,000,000)	2,855,167,000	(454,902,000)	(22,904,661,000)	17,703,365,000

TOTAL NEW APPROPRIATIONS

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Obligations, by Object of Expenditures

CYs 2016-2018 (In Thousand Pesos)

	2016	2017	2018		
		_	SCPLC	Recommendation	
Current Operating Expenditures					
Personnel Services					
Civilian Personnel					
Permanent Positions Basic Salary Creation of New Positions	7,945,991	8,195,960	8,994,644 208,641	8,987,738	
Total Permanent Positions	7,945,991	8,195,960	9,203,285	8,987,738	
Other Compensation Common to All Personnel Economic Relief Allowance Representation Allowance Transportation Allowance Clothing and Uniform Allowance Productivity Incentive Allowance Overtime Pay Mid-Year Bonus - Civilian Year End Bonus Cash Gift Step Increment Productivity Enhancement Incentive	612,442 294,911 294,908 119,203 22 44,012 630,692 630,696 126,932 122,997	603,804 276,462 276,300 125,795 682,998 682,998 125,795 57,563 125,795	603,828 276,444 276,342 125,800 749,553 749,555 125,800 59,556 125,800	603,684 274,830 274,668 125,770 748,976 748,976 125,770 22,471 125,770	
Total Other Compensation Common to All	2,876,815	2,957,510	3,092,678	3,050,915	
Other Compensation for Specific Groups Magna Carta for Public Health Workers Magna Carta for Public Social Workers Longevity Pay Special Allowance for Judges and Justices	2,334 86,278 1,209	2,731 3,140 183,782	2,731 3,770 183,782	2,731 3,747 183,782	

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Lump-sum for filling of Positions - Civilian Other Personnel Benefits	200,000 3,627,789	5,314,281	5,975,032 4,464,073	6,501,653
Total Other Compensation for Specific Groups	3,917,610	5,503,934	10,629,388	6,691,913
Other Benefits				
Retirement and Life Insurance Premiums	764,958	803,430	1,538,212	862,906
PAG-IBIG Contributions	30,517	30,190	30,191	30,187
PhilHealth Contributions	74,015	68,534	74,604	74,516
Employees Compensation Insurance Premiums	30,658	30,189	30,191	30,186
Retirement Gratuity Terminal Leave	559,972 470,360	751,474 539,715	1,374,809 1,234,202	400,605 321,324
Total Other Benefits	1,930,480	2,223,532	4,282,209	1,719,724
Non-Permanent Positions	129,998	27,083	231,671	27,083
Other Personnel Benefits				
Pension, Civilian Personnel	1,963,564	2,721,655	3,243,129	3,243,129
Total Other Personnel Benefits	1,963,564	2,721,655	3,243,129	3,243,129
TOTAL PERSONNEL SERVICES	18,764,458	21,629,674	30,682,360	23,720,502
Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses				
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Travelling Expenses	124,418	253,075	260,666	260,666
Training and Scholarship Expenses	186,461	192,544	242,044	198,320
Supplies and Materials Expenses	1,332,568	1,828,917	1,855,279	1,808,427
Utility Expenses	292,038	385,298	628,279	396,853
Communication Expenses Confidential, Intelligence and Extraordinary Expenses	238,002	301,476	310,522	310,522
Extraordinary and Miscellaneous Expenses	247,184	265,941	322,937	307,824
Professional Services	168,020	267,415	595,792	267,415
General Services	27,350	•		
Repairs and Maintenance	342,363	295,912	731,461	304,788
Financial Assistance/Subsidy	123,016	60,002	60,002	60,002
Taxes, Insurance Premiums and Other Fees	25,950	83,330	91,799	83,330
Other Maintenance and Operating Expenses				
Advertising Expenses	3,798	11,376	11,718	11,718
Printing and Publication Expenses	4,742	1,093	3,365	1,126
Representation Expenses	40,029	48,893	50,361	50,361
Transportation and Delivery Expenses	58,501	89,956	172,831	92,656
Rent/Lease Expenses	338,855	235,352	507,048	235,352
Subscription Expenses	1,334	2,129	48,486	2,129
Other Maintenance and Operating Expenses	492,667	622,424	1,055,717	624,424
TOTAL MAINTENANCE AND OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES	4,047,296	4,945,133	6,948,307	5,015,913
TOTAL CURRENT OPERATING EXPENDITURES	22,811,754	26,574,807	37,630,667	28,736,415
Capital Outlays				
Property, Plant and Equipment Outlay				
Land Outlay	1,194,386	1,000	1,000	
Land Improvements Outlay	1,216,149			
Buildings and Other Structures	322,728	2,295,230	2,391,758	2,363,719
Machinery and Equipment Outlay	2,808,543	927,080	1,109,451	300,100
Transportation Equipment Outlay	18,426	500	24,058	
Furniture, Fixtures and Books Outlay	706	250	174,473	
Intangible Assets Outlay	88	250	7,495	
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAYS	5,561,026	3,224,310	3,708,235	2,663,819
RAND TOTAL	28,372,780	29,799,117	41,338,902	31,400,234

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

SECTOR OUTCOME : Swift and fair administration of justice ensured

ORGANIZATIONAL OUTCOME : Independent, Effective and Efficient Administration of Justice

RGANIZATIONAL OUTCOMES (OOs) / PERFORMANCE INDICATORS (PIS)	20	16 Actual	2017 Targets	
independent, Effective and Efficient Administration of Justice				
MFO / Performance Indicators	2016 Targets	2016 Actual	2017 GAA Targets	
FO 1: RESOLUTIONS/DECISIONS IN APPEALED AND OTHER CASES UNDER ITS JURISDICTION				
Supreme Court	5,840	6,247	5,840	
No. of resolutions/decisions Disposition rate	42.29%	43%	45%	
Regional Trial Courts			207 704	
No. of resolutions/decisions Disposition rate	194,024 27.74%	138,812 23%	207,791 26%	
Aetropolitan Trial Courts				
No. of resolutions/decisions Disposition rate	84,561 67.11%	100,396 64%	85,376 64%	
Disposition face	07.1170	0.13		
dunicipal Trial Courts in Cities No. of resolutions/decisions	81,100	66,086	84,222	
Disposition rate	53.14%	48%	57%	
Municipal Circuit Trial Courts				
No. of resolutions/decisions	20,402	17,787	21,626 44%	
Disposition rate	46.14%	40%	4470	
Municipal Trial Courts			DE 007	
No. of resolutions/decisions Disposition rate	24,883 45.13%	20,062 39%	25,957 44%	
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Sharia District Courts No. of resolutions/decisions	42	14	59	
Disposition rate	42.18%	15%	66%	
Sharia Circuit Courts				
No. of resolutions/decisions	498	395	659	
Disposition rate	29.42%	31%	38%	
Child and Family Courts		20.002	44 057	
No. of resolutions/decisions Disposition rate	30,520 33%	30,083 30%	41,857 39%	
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ORGANIZATIONAL OUTCOMES (OOS) / PERFORMANCE INDICATORS (PIs)	Ba	seline	2018 Targets	

Independent, Effective and Efficient Administration of Justice

ADJUDICATION PROGRAM

Output Indicators 1. Number of resolutions/decisions Supreme Court Regional Trial Courts Metropolitan Trial Courts Municipal Trial Courts in Cities Municipal Circuit Trial Courts Municipal Trial Courts Sharia District Courts Sharia Circuit Courts Child and Family Courts	5,840 138,812 85,376 66,086 17,787 20,062 14 395 30,083	6,000 207,791 85,376 84,222 21,626 25,957 15 435 41,857
 Disposition rate of the courts Supreme Court Regional Trial Courts Metropolitan Trial Courts Municipal Trial Courts in Cities Municipal Circuit Trial Courts Municipal Trial Courts Sharia District Courts Sharia Circuit Courts Child and Family Courts 	45% 23% 64% 48% 40% 39% 15% 31% 30%	41% 21% 67% 59% 41% 46% 10% 24% 38%