

A Report to Our Citizens

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About the Bureau

The Bureau of Statistics & Plans (BSP) is a staff agency to the Office of the Governor. Other public laws and Governor's Executive Orders granted additional roles to BSP, such as providing a preliminary Business Sector Disaster Damage Report to the Governor in the aftermath of a typhoon.

The Bureau is dedicated to providing expediency in all of its endeavors and in promoting the welfare of the community. Bureau staff are professional in their field of work and dedicated to ensure the Bureau's mission is carried out for the overall benefit of the island. In 2020, the Bureau employed approximately 27 employees that supported five program divisions: Administration, Business and Economic Statistics, Socio-Economic and Coral Reef Initiative, Planning Information Program and the Guam Coastal Management Program.

In partnership with the NOAA, a Coral Fellow provides technical assistance to address specific coral reef management concerns such as climate change, land-based pollution and fishing impact on coral reefs as part of our coral reef mitigation and conservation efforts in conjunction with the Department of Agriculture.

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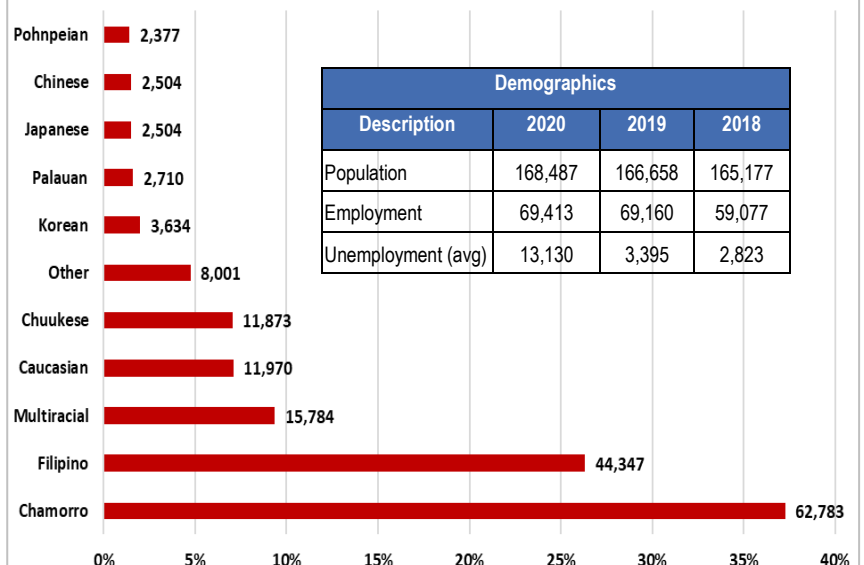
Mission Statement:

The mission of the Bureau of Statistics and Plans is to ensure Guam's resources are effectively used for the benefit of present and future generations by appraising, coordinating, preparing and assisting in the development of a wide range of plans, policies, studies and statistics that further economic, social land use, environmental and infrastructural goals, priorities & planning activities.



March 4, 2020: Governor Lou Leon Guerrero joins Census Adviser Terrina Long, Guam Census Manager Bernadine Gines and the Census Management Team in celebrating the 100th anniversary of the U.S. Census Bureau on Guam. (Photo courtesy from Monica Guerrero).

2020 Population Projection by Ethnic Origin or Race



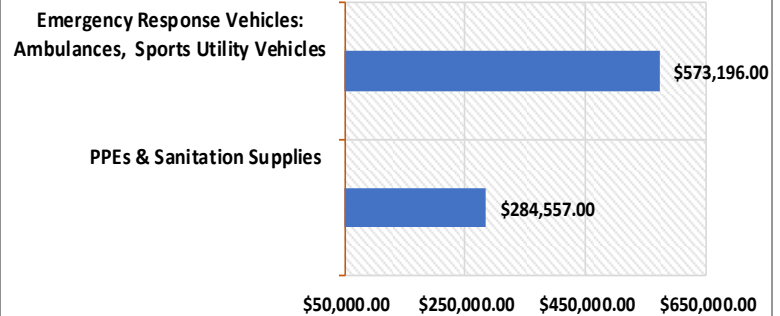
Sources: BSP, 2019 Guam Statistical Yearbook; Department of Labor: <http://bls.guam.gov/>; The Unemployment Situation on Guam Summary History: 1974-2021

PROGRAM PERFORMANCE



BSP was awarded the FY 2020 Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding (CESF) Grant in April 2020. Funding allowed the purchase of 4 ambulances, 3 SUVs, PPEs and sanitation supplies for Guam's law enforcement, CJ partners and emergency responders in preventing, preparing for, and responding to the coronavirus emergency operations on island.

FY 2020 CESF PPEs, Sanitation & Equipment for Law Enforcement, Criminal Justice Partners & First Responders April-Sept 2020



Multijurisdictional Task Force Drug Seizures & Value of Drugs Seized

Drugs in Guam	CY 2020		CY 2019	
	Seizure	Value	Seizure	Value
Methamphetamine	115,314.04	\$28,935,172.50	87,907.00	\$33,041,796.00
Marijuana	0.00	\$0.00	217.00	\$2,496.00
Marijuana Plants	28,627.80	\$572,556.00	18,841.60	\$376,992.00
Prescription Meds	113.2 pills	\$6,250.00	62 lbs	\$2,812,200.00
Spice/Salviya	0.00	\$0.00	1822.60 lbs	N/A
Total Drugs Seized in Grams	143,941.84 grams/ 113.20 pills	\$29,513,978.50	106,965.60 grams/ 1884.60 lbs	\$36,233,484.00

Source: Guam's Multi-Jurisdictional Task Force 2019 & 2020 Progress Reports

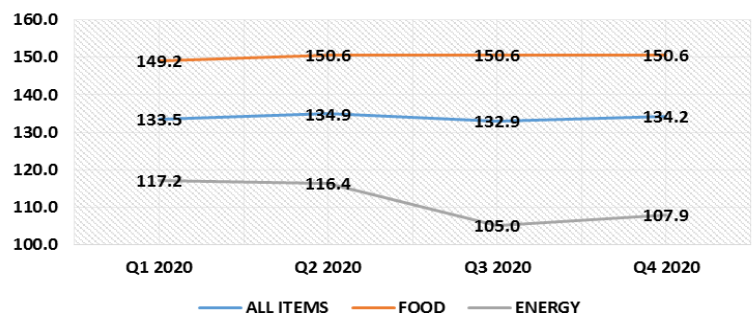


BSP's Coral Reef Sustainable Tourism Project initiated a Coastal Signage update in 2020. It is anticipated that by the end of 2021, 7 coastal sites around Guam will have new signs with environmental and cultural information created to educate the public about the importance of Guam's nearshore marine habitats.

Application Reviews		FY 2020	FY2019
Federal Consistency Reviews	Concluded	23	16
Application Review Committee (ARC)/			
Guam Land Use Commission Reviews		40	32
(GLUC)			
Total:		63	48

The Bureau reviewed 63 applications in 2020 for consistency with Guam's policies and adherence with applicable federal and local statutes. This is a 31% increase in reviews conducted from 2019.

GUAM CONSUMER PRICE INDEX: ALL ITEMS, FOOD & ENERGY



This graph depicts how prices, on average, have changed over time. While prices on all items have gradually increased, food prices & all items continue to show more volatility & have outpaced energy price changes over this time period in 2019.

FISCAL PERFORMANCE

Revenues

The Bureau of Statistics & Plans applied for & received eight (8) grant awards, totaling \$5,381,257. BSP manages approximately \$30.5 million in both new and active grants. USDOJ, NOAA & DOI grants are awarded for a 2-3 year grant period with 90% passed to sub-recipients to implement criminal justice projects, coastal and environmental initiatives. The Census Grant was used for recruitment, hiring, training, communications and outreach. The Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding (CESF) Grant provided funds to assist the island's law enforcement, criminal justice partners, emergency response coordinators in preventing, preparing for & responding to the Coronavirus.

General Fund Revenue		\$1,137,795.00
Federal Agency	Federal Program Grant Title	Award Amount
USDOJ	Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG)	\$585,311.00
USDOJ	Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement	\$264,698.00
USDOJ	Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Grant (RSAT)	\$114,294.00
USDOJ	Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Reallocation Funds	\$30,530.00
NOAA	Guam Coastal Management Program (GCMP)	\$1,050,000.00
NOAA	Coral Reef Initiative/Natural Resources Grant (CRI)	\$103,057.00
USDOJ	Coronavirus Emergency Supplement Funding (CESF)	\$2,932,867.00
DOI	TAP-Guam Customs & Quarantine Importation Operation Modernization	\$300,500.00
Total Federal Awards:		\$5,381,257.00

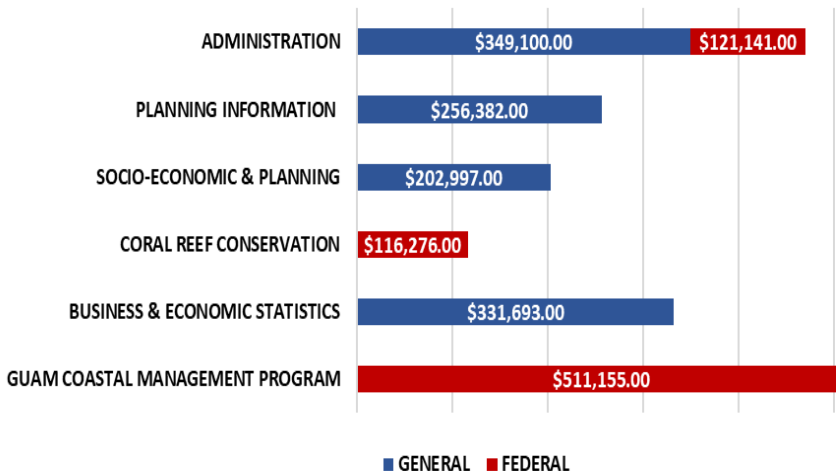


GCMP hosted the 5th Annual Assembly of Planners Symposium, February 20, 2020, at the Guam Dusit Thani Resort. With over 200 in attendance, topics ranged from flood control, coastal decision support tools, Federal Consistency, Zero Waste Guam Working Group and a bio-solids composting demonstration project.

Expenditures

The expenditures primarily consisted of salaries & benefits. Operational expenditures from the General Fund included telephone services and subsidized rent for the Guam Development Disabilities Council (GDDC). Of the 27 employees of the Bureau in FY 2020, 16 were locally funded and 11 were 100 percent federally funded. A total of \$748,572 in federal funds was used to cover personnel expenses.

FY 2020 PERSONNEL EXPENDITURES BY FUNDING SOURCE



BSP served as the lead agency to conduct the 2020 Census of Guam in cooperation with the U.S. Census Bureau. The 2020 Guam Census Office officially opened in October 2020. Address listings, data collection of all households and living quarters took place. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Census Call Center was established to allow for the effectible enumeration of all households on Guam while adhering to CDC guidelines. Data collection was completed on September 30, 2020 and is being processed at the National Processing Center.

GENERAL FUND BUDGET

Expenditures	2020	2019
Personnel	\$1,140,172	\$1,108,038
Contractual Services	0.00	2,000
Supplies & Materials	0.00	1,757
Travel: Mileage Reim-	0.00	2,000
Telephone	2,124,000	2,000
Office Rent (GDDC)	22,000	22,000
Total General Funds:	\$1,164,296	\$1,137,795



October 2020: Opening of the 2020 Census of Guam Office in Tamuning, Guam. (Photo courtesy by Monica Guerrero).

Moving Forward...

The BSP will continue moving forward in 2020 with the following initiatives and more:

- Publish quarterly publications for Import and Export Trade Data and Consumer Price Index reports.
- Develop and publish the 2020 Statistical Yearbook, the Guam Facts & Figures At-A-Glance brochure and other statistical indices to make sound decisions to improve the island's economic viability and resource sustainability.
- Provide technical support to GovGuam entities when needed in order that they meet their missions.
- Continue collaboration with the U.S. Census Bureau regarding the release of the 2020 Guam Census total housing and population counts at the island-wide and lower geographic levels & the release of the 2020 Census of Guam data products to include the summary file, data wheel and geographic products.
- Complete the Household Income and Expenditures Survey (HIES) that will be used to update Guam's Consumer Price Index (CPI) which measures inflation and to develop the Gross Domestic Product on Guam.
- Prepare a Cost Benefit Analysis to Determine the economic contributions of the Compact Migrants to Guam and Methodology to Determine the Costs Incurred for providing services to the migrants from FSM.
- Continue to work with the government of Guam agencies to update the Government of Guam Strategic Plan in achieving the objectives, milestones and vision of the Administration.
- Continue securing federal dollars from USDOJ to further improve and advocate criminal justice initiatives on Island.
- Continue securing federal dollars from NOAA and DOI to compile commercial fishery data; spearhead best management practices for coral reef, coastal and environmental initiatives.
- Secure federal dollars from the Economic Development Authority and DOI to support other government entities meet their mission.
- Serve as the catalyst for planned and balanced economic, social, environmental and physical growth through Guam State Clearinghouse, legislative review of bills, and the mandated review process of elements via Comprehensive Development Plans.
- Continue firebreak maintenance and reforestation in Manell Watershed; restoration in Geus Watershed (invasive bamboo removal), native plant cultivation, seed dispersal, and outplanting.



Bamboo post chipping from Manell River (Merizo) - Watershed Restoration.

- Continue ARC/GLUC, GIS Mapping and Federal Consistency reviews to ensure sustainable and well planned development efforts are central to protecting Guam's natural resources.
- Coordinate 27th GICC, publication of the Man, Land and Sea Newsletters; Low Impact Development (LID) advertising in with Guam Construction News Bulletin; 6th Planners Symposium.
- Continue outreach programs such as the Guardians of the Reef & Eyes on the Reef to promote & advocate best management practices in protecting the island's coastal environment & balance of sustainable uses of the resources & capabilities.
- Sustain & promote employee development, recognition & satisfaction.

Challenges in 2020:

- Additional program initiatives absorbed from other agencies which caused challenges with limited staff resources. Despite additional program tasks, BSP met its mandates & additional program initiatives.
- Implementing succession plan to build capacity & institutional knowledge of critical program areas remains a challenge with funding constraints.
- Obtaining federal clearances on special conditions such as congressional mandates, the Section 106 review process, permitting requirements & GSA procurements to meet federal grant requirements & achieve full implementation of project activities.
- Shutdown of Government operations due to COVID-19 pandemic adversely affected BSP and law enforcement and CJ partners in meeting goals and objectives of funded projects.
- Adherence to CDC requirements and resources to implement virtual technology.
- Impact on procurement due to worldwide shortage of PPEs and sanitation supplies to meet the needs of confinement facilities, law enforcement and CJ partners.



PPEs and sanitation supplies to aid confinement facilities with COVID-19 emergency response efforts.



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