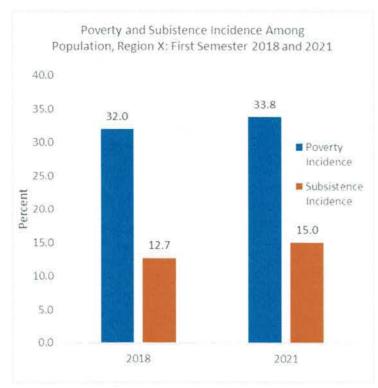


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## Poor Population in Region X Estimated at 33.8% in the First Semester of 2021

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The proportion of poor individuals in Region X whose per capita income is not sufficient to meet their basic food and non-food needs or the poverty incidence among Region X population, was estimated percent 33.8 during the semester of 2021. This translates to 1.72 million individuals in the region below the poverty who lived threshold estimated at PhP11,920, on the average, for a family of five per month in the first semester of 2021.

Meanwhile, subsistence incidence among population in the region or the proportion of Region X poor individuals whose income is not enough to meet even the basic food needs, recorded was

15.0 percent or about 762 thousand individuals whose income is below the monthly food threshold of PhP8,305 for a family of five for the same period.

Among the families, poverty incidence for the same period was estimated at 26.2 percent which is equivalent to around 312 thousand poor families. Meanwhile, food poor families was estimated at 10.9 percent or about 130 thousand families who cannot afford even their basic food needs.

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