

Republic of the Philippines  
Department of Environment and Natural Resources  
MINES AND GEOSCIENCES BUREAU  
**NEGROS ORIENTAL**  
**PROVINCIAL MINERAL PROFILE**  
**2017**

Region: Region VII (Central Visayas)

Province: **Negros Oriental**

Cities: 6

Municipalities: 19

Barangays: 557

Population (as of 2015 Census)

Total: 1.4 Million

Major economic activities: Agriculture

#### **ECONOMIC CONTRIBUTION**

**Php 4.33 Billion or 0.8%**

Estimated Gross Regional Domestic Product (GRDP) of Region 7 (Central Visayas) from mining and quarry industry accounted to 0.8 percent of the total GRDP of the Region in 2017.

#### **Mining Investment**

Heirs of Arturo Zayco, the only mining company in Negros Oriental had not reported a mining investment as of December 2017.

#### **GROSS OUTPUT**

**Php 113.12 Million**

Value of Non-Metallic Minerals such as Silica Sand, Sand and Gravel, Limestone for Industrial Use, and Rock Phosphate.

#### **EMPLOYMENT**

**677** employees

This statistics shows the number of regular and contractual employees hired by the mining operators. However, employees of the contracting services had not been accounted yet.

#### **TAXES AND FEES PAID:**

**Php 690,650**

The total contribution of Heirs of Arturo Zayco to the Philippine economy through the amount paid for excise tax on mineral, local business tax among other national and local taxes.

#### **MINERAL RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS:**

1 silica mine

#### **LAND AREA AND MINERAL POTENTIAL:**

**240,720 hectares** (source: Namria)

Total land area of Negros Oriental Province province.

**58.7 percent or 141,409 hectare**

Percentage of the province' total land area covered by mining tenements and mining application. This data is however subject to the mandatory relinquishment as provided by law.

**SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT AND MANAGEMENT**

**Php 1.03 Million**

Total amount committed by Heirs of Arturo Zayco for the development of their host and neighboring communities through their approved Social Development and Management Program.

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION**

**Php 8.05 Million**

Amount committed by operating mines for the implementation of approved plans/ programs/projects/ activities under their Environmental Protection and Enhancement Program.