

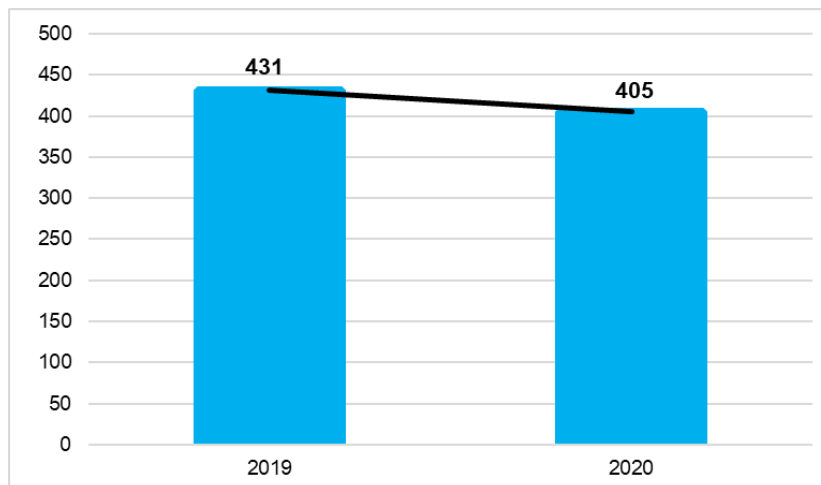


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# SPECIAL RELEASE

**Non Residential Construction Statistics from Approved Building Permits  
La Union: 2020  
(Preliminary Result)**

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**Figure 1. Number of Non-Residential Buildings  
La Union: 2019 and 2020**

The total number of new non residential building constructions from approved building permits in 2020 was recorded at 405, reflecting a decrease of 36.03 percent from 431 constructions last year.

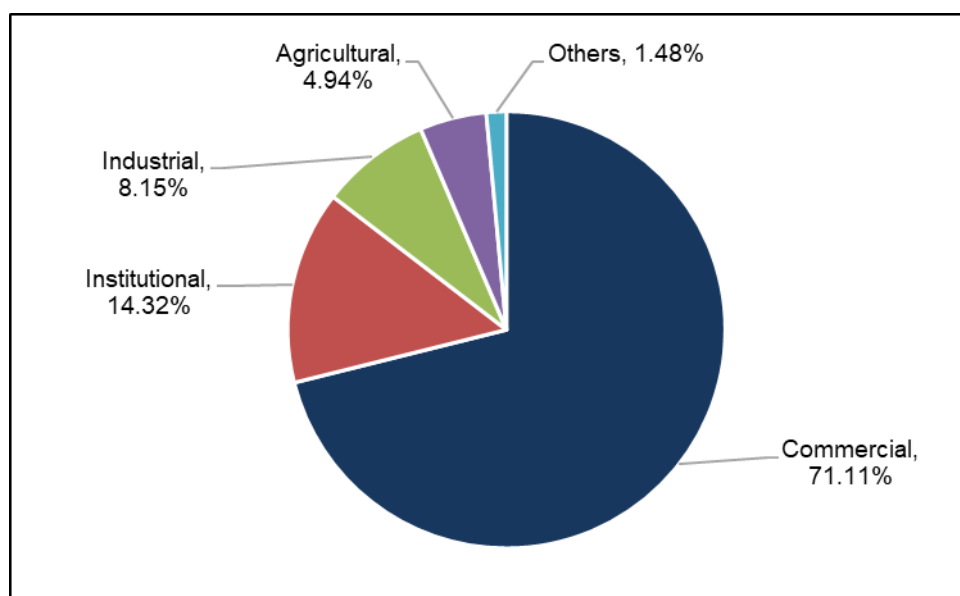
**Table 1. Number, Floor Area and Value  
of Non Residential Buildings  
La Union: 2019 and 2020**

Year	Number	Floor Area (sq.m.)	Value (PhP 1,000)
2019	431	147,627	1,397,471
2020	405	165,914	1,885,170

Source: *Approved Building Permits (2019 and 2020)*  
Note: Data presented are preliminary

The total floor area occupied for the new construction projects increased by 12.39 percent from 147,627 square meters in 2019 to 165,914 square meters in 2020.

Moreover, the value of new construction projects was recorded at Php1,885.17 million in 2020, posting an increase of 34.90 percent from Php1,397.47 million a year ago.



**FIGURE 2. Percent Distribution of Non Residential Constructions by Type, La Union: 2020**

Commercial-type building constructions posted the biggest proportion of non residential constructions with (288 construction projects) 71.11 percent of the total non-residential constructions. The total value of constructions for this type was estimated at Php1,039.84 million covering a floor area of 99,225 square meters or an average cost of Php10,479.58 per square meter.

Institutional buildings distantly followed with 14.32 percent share to the total non-residential constructions (58 constructions). Total value for this construction was estimated at Php757.36 million with a total floor area of 43,137 square meters or an average cost of Php17,556.97 per square meter.

Industrial buildings ranked third with 8.15 percent share to the total non-residential constructions (33 constructions). Total value for industrial buildings was estimated at Php64.79 million with a total floor area of 19,607 square meters or an average cost of Php3,304.33 per square meter.

**TABLE 2. Number, Floor Area and Value of Non Residential Buildings by City/Municipality, La Union: 2020**

Province/Municipality	Number	Floor Area	Value
		(sq.m.)	(PHP1,000)
La Union	405	165,914	1,885,170
Agoo	31	24,413	432,521
Aringay	27	7,700	94,613
Bacnotan	21	6,553	61,337
Balaoan	9	1,102	10,906
Bangar	1	8	17
Bauang	29	24,711	295,922
Burgos	3	200	2,194
Caba	11	5,025	50,898
Luna	58	1,935	10,514
Naguilian	72	6,793	73,076
Pugo	16	4,631	31,005
Rosario	14	5,665	59,652
San Fernando City	57	13,614	97,416
San Gabriel	3	1,099	21,920
San Juan	23	54,446	600,263
Sto. Tomas	4	1,245	10,081
Santol	16	1,390	9,770
Sudipen	1	136	1,927
Tubao	9	5,248	21,139

*Source: Approved Building Permits (2019 and 2020)*

*Note: Data presented are preliminary*

In La Union, the municipality of Naguilian occupied the top rank in terms of the number of non residential constructions in 2020 with a share of 17.78 percent (72 constructions) to the provincial total. The municipality of Luna ranked second with a share of 14.32 percent (58 constructions) while the City of San Fernando ranked third with a share of 14.07 percent (57 constructions).

## ***TECHNICAL NOTES***

### **Scope and Coverage**

Private construction statistics from approved building permits pertain to data on new constructions and additions, alterations and repairs of existing residential and non-residential buildings and other structures undertaken in all city/municipalities of the country.

For this publication, the scope and coverage are all city/municipalities in La Union.

### **Source of Information**

Data were taken from the original application forms of approved building permits collected every month by PSA field personnel from the offices of Local Building Officials (LBOs) provincewide.

### **Limitation**

1. Data on private building constructions refer to those proposed to be constructed during the reference period and not to construction work completed during the reference period.

2. The completeness of the number of building permits collected relies on the collection of applications filed with the LBOs. Hence, private building constructions without approved building permits are excluded in the tabulation of data.

### ***Definition of Terms***

**Building Permit** is a written authorization granted by the LBO to an applicant allowing him to proceed with the construction of a specific project after plans, specifications and other pertinent documents have been found to be in conformity with the National Building Code (RA 6541).

**Building** is any independent, free-standing structure comprised of one or more rooms or other spaces, covered by a roof and enclosed with external walls or dividing walls which extend from the foundation to the roof.

**Non-Residential Building** includes commercial, industrial, agricultural and institutional buildings.

**Commercial Building** includes office buildings and all buildings which are intended for use primarily in wholesale, retail and service trades; i.e. stores, hotels, restaurants, banks, disco houses, etc.

**Industrial Buildings** are buildings which are used to house the production, assembly and warehousing activities of industrial establishments; i.e. factories, plants, mills, repair shops, machine shops, printing press, storage plant, electric generating plants.

**Institutional Buildings** are buildings which are primarily engaged in providing educational instructions and hospital/health care; ports, airports and other government buildings; i.e. schools, museums, libraries, sanitarium, churches, hospitals.

**Agricultural Buildings** are buildings which are used to house livestock, plants and agricultural products such as barn, poultry house, piggeries, stables, greenhouses and grain mill.

**Other Non-Building Constructions** include cemetery structures, street furniture, waiting sheds, communication towers, etc.

**Addition** refers to any new construction which increases the height or area of an existing building/structure.

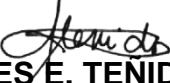
**Alteration** refers to construction in a structure involving changes in the materials used, partitioning, location/size of openings, structural parts, existing utilities and equipment but does not increase the overall area thereof.

**Repair** refers to remedial work done on any damaged or deteriorated portion/s of a structure to restore its original condition.

**Floor Area of Building** refers to the sum of the area of each floor of the building measured to the outer surface of the outer walls including the area of lobbies, cellars,

elevator shafts and all communal spaces in multi-dwellings. Areas of balconies are excluded.

**Total Value of Construction** refers to the sum of the cost of building, electrical, mechanical, plumbing, and others. The value is derived from the approved building permit and represents the estimated value of the building or structure when completed.

  
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