

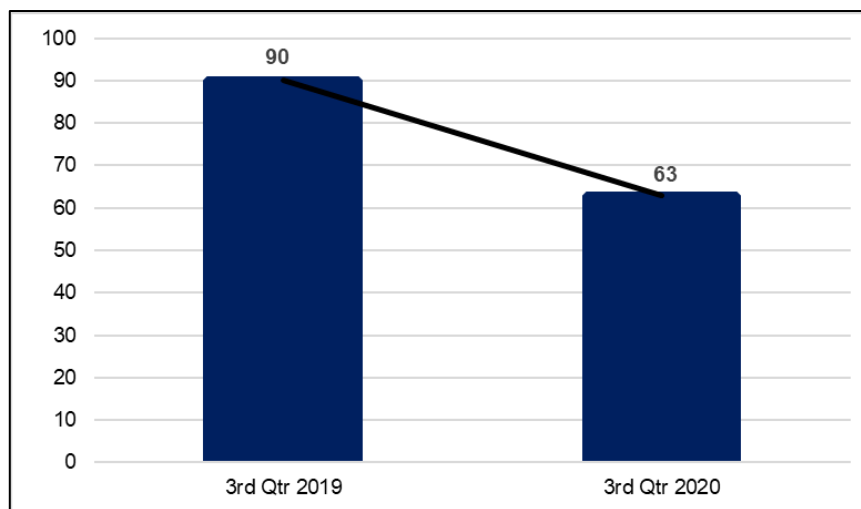


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**Non Residential Construction Statistics from Approved Building Permits
La Union: 3rd Quarter 2020
(Preliminary Result)**

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**Figure 1. Number of Non-Residential Buildings
La Union: 3rd Quarter, 2019 and 2020**

The total number of new non residential building constructions from approved building permits in third quarter 2020 was recorded at 63, reflecting a decrease of 30.00 percent from 90 constructions in same quarter last year.

**Table 1. Number, Floor Area and Value
of Non Residential Buildings
La Union: 3rd Quarter, 2019 and 2020**

Quarter/Year	Number	Floor Area (sq.m.)	Value (PhP 1,000)
3rd Quarter 2019	90	34,798	397,424
3rd Quarter 2020	63	21,484	291,750

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

The total floor area occupied for the new construction projects also decreased by 38.26 percent from 34,798 square meters in third quarter 2019 to 21,484 square

meters in the third quarter 2020. Moreover, the value of new construction projects was recorded at Php291.75 million in the third quarter of 2020, posting a decrease of 26.59 percent from Php397.42 million in the same quarter a year ago.

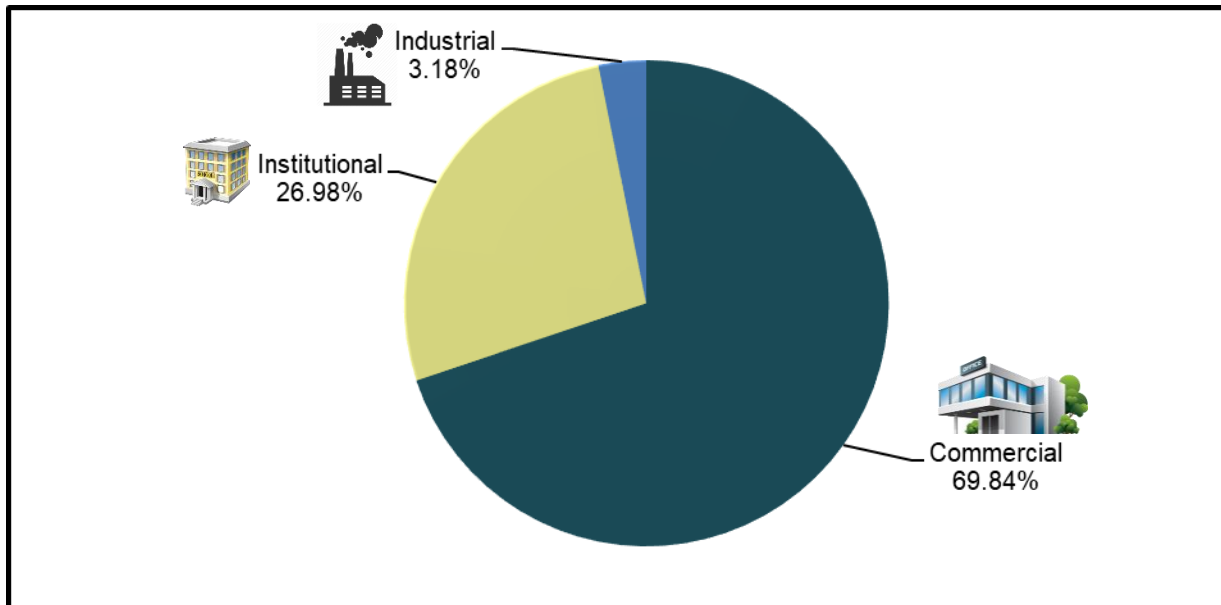


FIGURE 2. Percent Distribution of Non Residential Constructions by Type, La Union: 3rd Quarter 2020

Commercial-type building constructions posted the biggest proportion of non residential constructions with (44 construction projects) 69.84 percent of the total non-residential constructions. The total value of constructions for this type was estimated at PhP72.10 million covering a floor area of 8,523 square meters or an average cost of PhP8,454.54 per square meter.

Institutional buildings distantly followed with 26.98 percent share to the total non-residential constructions (17 constructions). Total value for this construction was estimated at PhP216.50 million with a total floor area of 12,243 square meters or an average cost of PhP17,683.29 per square meter.

Industrial buildings ranked third with 3.17 percent share to the total non-residential constructions (two constructions). Total value for industrial buildings was estimated at PhP3.20 million with a total floor area of 718 square meters or an average cost of PhP4,450.82 per square meter.

TABLE 2. Number, Floor Area and Value of Non Residential Buildings by City/Municipality, La Union: 3rd Quarter 2020

Province/Municipality	Number	Floor Area	Value
		(sq.m.)	(PhP1,000)
La Union	63	21,484	291,750
Agoo	6	3,754	87,490
Aringay	11	3,887	42,559
Bacnotan	5	856	8,214
Bagulin	0	0	0
Balaoan	3	253	3,218
Bangar	1	8	17
Bauang	7	4,671	45,191
Burgos	1	100	1,890
Caba	1	50	1,100
Luna	2	68	830
Naguilian	10	2,902	50,257
Pugo	1	207	2,219
Rosario	0	0	0
City of San Fernando	10	2,111	16,458
San Gabriel	1	1,000	20,932
San Juan	2	1,451	9,104
Sto. Tomas	0	0	0
Santol	1	30	346
Sudipen	1	136	1,927
Tubao	0	0	0

Source: Approved Building Permits (Third Quarter 2019 and 2020)

Note: Data presented are preliminary

In La Union, the City of San Fernando occupied the top rank in terms of the number of non residential constructions in third quarter 2020 with a share of 21.67 percent (57 constructions) to the provincial total. The municipality of San Juan ranked second with a share of 17.49 percent (46 constructions) while Naguilian ranked third with a share of 10.65 percent (28 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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