

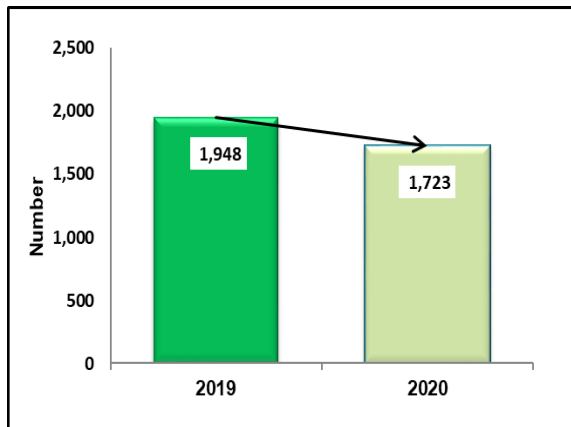


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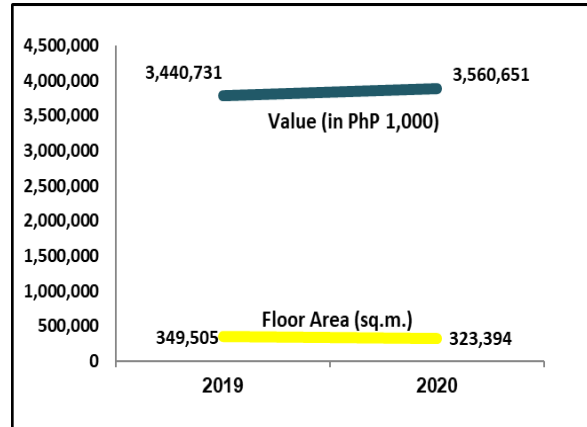
# SPECIAL RELEASE

## Construction Statistics from Approved Building Permits La Union: 2020 (Preliminary Result)

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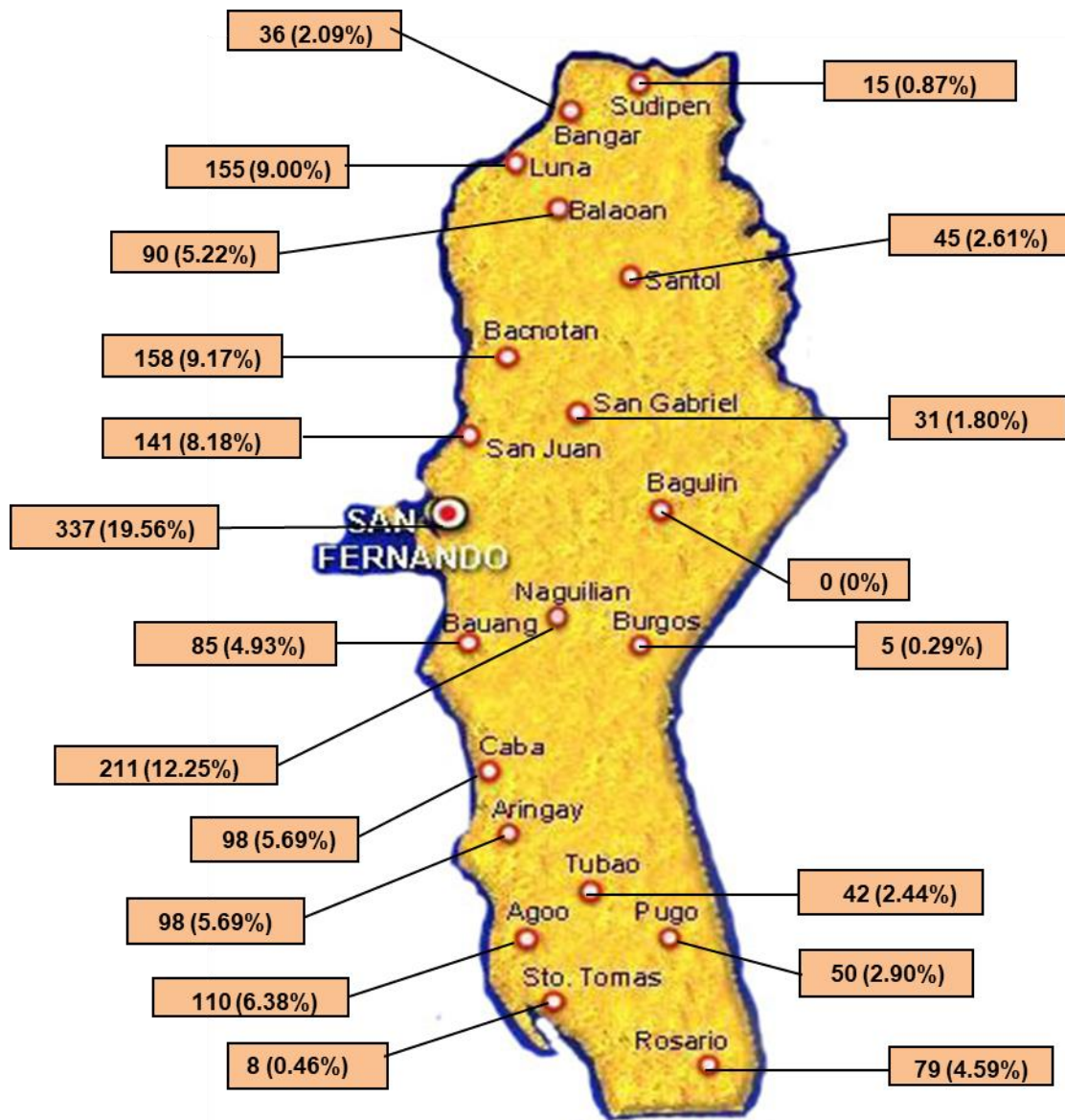
**FIGURE 1. Number of Construction Projects in La Union 2019 and 2020**



**FIGURE 2. Floor Area and Value of Construction Projects in La Union 2019 and 2020**

The total number of new construction projects from approved building permits in 2020 was recorded at 1,723, reflecting a decrease of 11.55 percent from 1,948 constructions a year ago.

The total floor area occupied for the new construction projects also decreased by 7.47 percent from 349,205 square meters in 2019 to 323,394 square meters in 2020. Meanwhile, the value of new construction projects was recorded at PhP 3,560.65 million in 2020, posting an increase of 3.49 percent from PhP3,440.73 million a year ago.



**FIGURE 3. Percent Distribution of New Construction Projects by City/Municipality, La Union: 2020**

The figure above shows the distribution of approved building permits by city/municipality in La Union in 2020.

Among the city/municipalities, the lone city registered the highest number of construction projects with a share of 19.56 percent (337 constructions) to the total approved building permits in La Union in 2020. Compared with the number of constructions in 2019 with 455 building constructions, it registered a decrease of 25.93 percent.

Other municipalities with high number of construction projects in 2020 included Naguilian with 211 constructions (12.25 percent share), Bacnotan with 158

constructions (9.17 percent share), Luna with 155 constructions (9.00 percent share) and municipality of San Juan with 141 constructions (8.18 percent share).

**TABLE 1. Number, Floor Area and Value of New Construction by City/Municipality, La Union: 2019 and 2020**

Province/ Municipality	2020			2019		
	Number	Floor Area (sq.m.)	Value (PhP 1,000)	Number	Floor Area (sq.m.)	Value (PhP 1,000)
<b>La Union</b>	<b>1,723</b>	<b>323,394</b>	<b>3,560,651</b>	<b>1,948</b>	<b>349,505</b>	<b>3,440,731</b>
Agoo	110	35,128	552,828	99	16,486	169,458
Aringay	98	15,055	186,493	38	4,673	38,336
Bacnotan	158	22,533	194,298	141	23,043	187,092
Bagulin	0	0	0	0	0	0
Balaoan	90	9,847	80,803	99	9,848	83,791
Bangar	36	4,536	57,381	57	8,070	85,408
Bauang	85	33,150	385,493	116	27,803	220,427
Burgos	5	440	4,994	1	118	1,921
Caba	27	8,088	75,612	41	6,352	53,881
Luna	155	10,986	95,283	118	11,573	108,679
Naguilian	211	20,204	203,111	318	20,367	177,871
Pugo	50	9,515	82,644	65	8,067	77,796
Rosario	79	13,444	140,881	95	24,902	300,545
City of San Fernando	337	52,784	581,695	455	133,358	1,355,991
San Gabriel	31	4,429	46,634	11	2,123	15,769
San Juan	141	67,204	738,096	157	36,786	383,185
Sto. Tomas	8	1,834	19,686	19	2,725	32,389
Santol	45	3,305	30,967	55	3,248	27,182
Sudipen	15	1,781	19,252	24	3,245	32,027
Tubao	42	9,131	64,501	39	6,718	88,981

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

*Note: Data presented are preliminary*

In La Union, the municipality of San Juan occupied the top rank in terms of the value of constructions in 2020 with a share of 20.73 percent (PhP738.09 million) to the provincial total. The City of San Fernando ranked second with a share of 16.34 percent (PhP581.69 million) and Agoo ranked third with a share of 15.53 percent (PhP552.83 million).

In 2019, the lone city of the province had the highest value of construction projects among the city/municipalities contributing 39.41 percent (PhP1,355.99 million) to the provincial total. San Juan ranked second with a share of 11.14 percent (Php383.19 million) while the municipality of Rosario placed third with a share of 8.73 percent (Php300.55 million).

## ***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 the Philippine Statistics Authority (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.

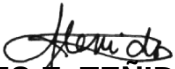
### ***Definition of Terms***

**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.

**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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