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## Inland Municipal Fisheries Volume of Production Ilocos Region: First Quarter 2024

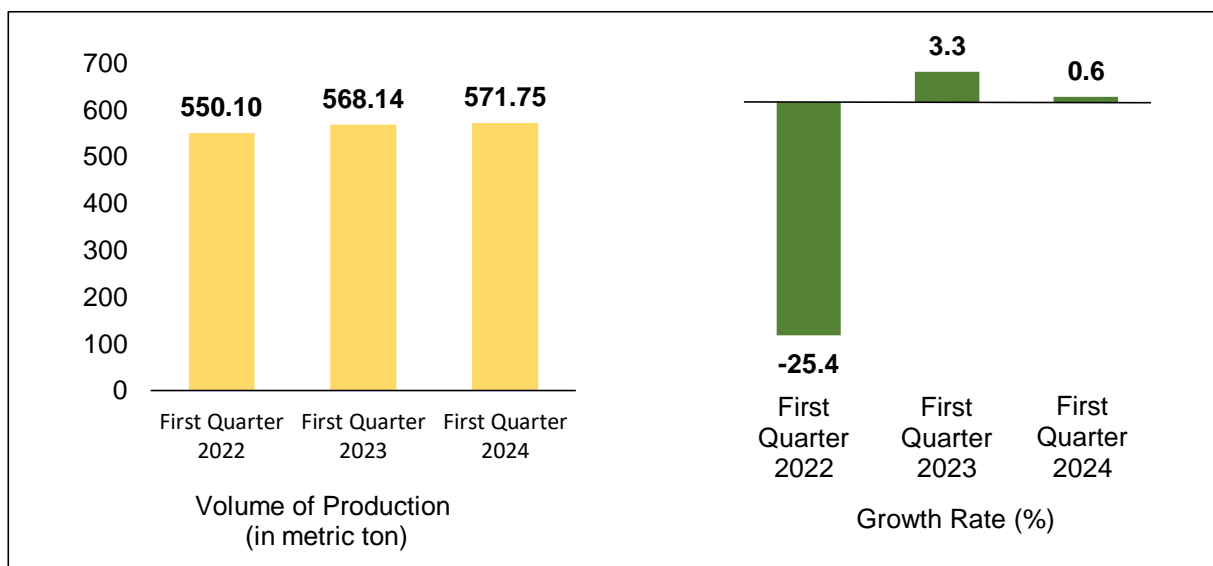
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### Inland municipal fisheries volume of production increases by 0.6 percent

Inland fisheries volume of production in Ilocos Region recorded 571.75 metric tons in the first quarter 2024, or 0.6 percent higher than the 568.14 metric tons recorded in the first quarter 2023.

**Figure 1. Inland Municipal Fisheries Volume of Production (In MT) and Growth Rate, Ilocos Region: First Quarter 2022 to 2024<sup>P</sup>**

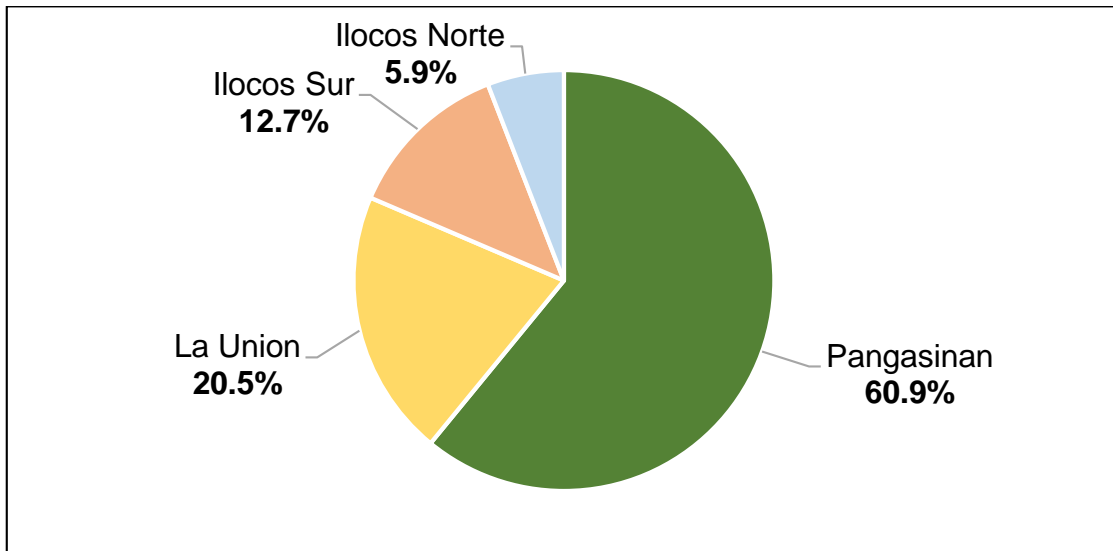


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Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, First Quarter 2022-2024 Fisheries Production Survey



**Figure 2. Percentage Distribution of Inland Municipal Fisheries Production by Province, Ilocos Region: First Quarter 2024<sup>P</sup>**



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Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, First Quarter 2024 Fisheries Production Survey

The province of Pangasinan has the biggest contribution in the region's inland municipal fisheries production with 348.36 metric tons, equivalent to 60.9 percent share. La Union followed at a volume of 117.26 metric tons or 20.5 percent. Meanwhile, Ilocos Sur and Ilocos Norte shared 12.7 percent and 5.9 percent, respectively, to the inland municipal fisheries production of the region.

Pangasinan pulled up the overall inland municipal fisheries production of the region. It recorded positive growth of 12.8 percent in the first quarter 2024 from 308.72 metric tons output in 2023 of the same quarter. On the other hand, Ilocos Norte, La Union, and Ilocos Sur declined in production by 22.1 percent, 12.2 percent, and 12.3 percent, respectively.



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**Table 1. Inland Municipal Fisheries Volume of Production by Province, Ilocos Region: First Quarter 2023 and 2024<sup>p</sup>**

Region/ Province	Volume of Production (in metric tons)		Growth Rate (%)
	First Quarter 2023	First Quarter 2024	
Ilocos Region	568.14	571.75	0.6
Ilocos Norte	43.22	33.68	(22.1)
Ilocos Sur	82.55	72.45	(12.2)
La Union	133.65	117.26	(12.3)
Pangasinan	308.72	348.36	12.8

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Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, First Quarter 2023-2024 Fisheries Production Survey

## Milkfish recorded the highest volume of production

The top five species caught in inland municipal waters in the first quarter 2024 were milkfish, oyster, freshwater shrimp, tilapia and mullet.

Milkfish recorded the highest volume of production at 157.28 metric tons, which comprised 27.5 percent of the total inland municipal fisheries production in the region. Its production increased by 681.7 percent from the 20.12 metric tons output in the first quarter 2023.

Oyster production in the region recorded 50.03 metric tons or 8.8 percent of the total inland municipal fisheries production. Its output decreased by 20.5 percent compared to its level in the same quarter of 2023.

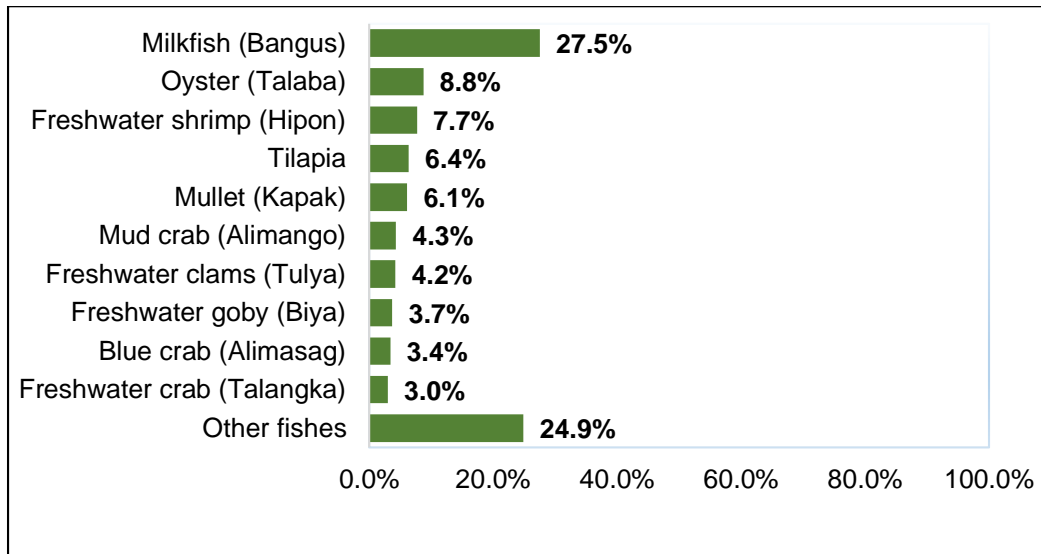
Production of freshwater shrimp was estimated at 44.22 metric tons which increased by 87.1 percent in first quarter 2024. Tilapia production decreased by 57.0 percent from the 84.79 metric tons output in the first quarter 2023. Meanwhile, mullet recorded 35.07 metric tons output or 99.0 percent higher than the production in the same period in 2023.



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**Figure 3. Percentage Distribution of Inland Municipal Fisheries Production by Classification, Ilocos Region: First Quarter 2024<sup>P</sup>**



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Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, First Quarter 2024 Fisheries Production Surveys

**Table 2. Volume of Inland Municipal Fisheries Production by Species, Ilocos Region: First Quarter 2023 and 2024<sup>P</sup>**

Species	Volume of Production (in metric tons)		Growth Rate (%)
	First Quarter 2023	First Quarter 2024	
TOTAL	568.14	571.75	0.6
Milkfish (Bangus)	20.12	157.28	681.7
Oyster (Talaba)	62.93	50.03	(20.5)
Freshwater shrimp (Hipon)	23.64	44.22	87.1
Tilapia	84.79	36.44	(57.0)
Mullet (Kapak)	17.62	35.07	99.0
Mud crab (Alimango)	7.55	24.69	227.0
Freshwater clams (Tulya)	13.91	23.99	72.5
Freshwater goby (Biya)	24.76	21.30	(14.0)
Blue crab (Alimasag)	4.63	19.39	318.8
Freshwater crab (Talangka)	18.15	17.17	(5.4)
Other species	290.04	142.15	(51.0)

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## TECHNICAL NOTES

The Fisheries Production Survey of the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) is divided into four major fisheries surveys. These are the Quarterly Commercial Fisheries Survey (QCFS), Quarterly Municipal Fisheries Survey (QMFS), Quarterly Inland Fisheries Survey (QIFS) and Quarterly Aquaculture Survey (QAqS). The fisheries sector is composed of the three (3) subsectors, namely commercial, municipal fisheries, and aquaculture. The commercial and municipal fisheries surveys aim to provide quarterly data on volume and value of fish production by species, by region, and by province. The aquaculture survey is intended to generate quarterly data on volume and value of cultured species by environment, by type of aquafarm, by region, and by province.

### Concepts and Definitions:

**Fisheries** – all activities relating to the act or business of fishing, culturing, preserving, processing, marketing, developing, conserving and managing aquatic resources and the fishery areas including the privilege to fish or take aquatic resources thereof (RA 8550).

**Fisheries Sector** – the sector engaged in the production, growing, harvesting, processing, marketing, developing, conserving and managing aquatic resources and fishing areas.

**Fishing Grounds** – areas in any body of water where fish and other aquatic resources congregate and become the target of capture.




**Inland Municipal Fishing** – the catching of fish, crustaceans, mollusks and all other aquatic animals and plants in inland water like lakes, rivers, dams, marshes, etc. using simple gears and fishing boats some of which are non-motorized with a capacity of three gross tons or less; or fishing not requiring the use of fishing boats.

**Landing Center** – a place where the fish catch and other aquatic products are unloaded and traded.

**Municipal Fishing** – covers fishing operation carried out with or without the use of a boat weighing three gross tons or less.

  
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