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## COMMERCIAL FISHERIES SITUATIONER LA UNION: 2022

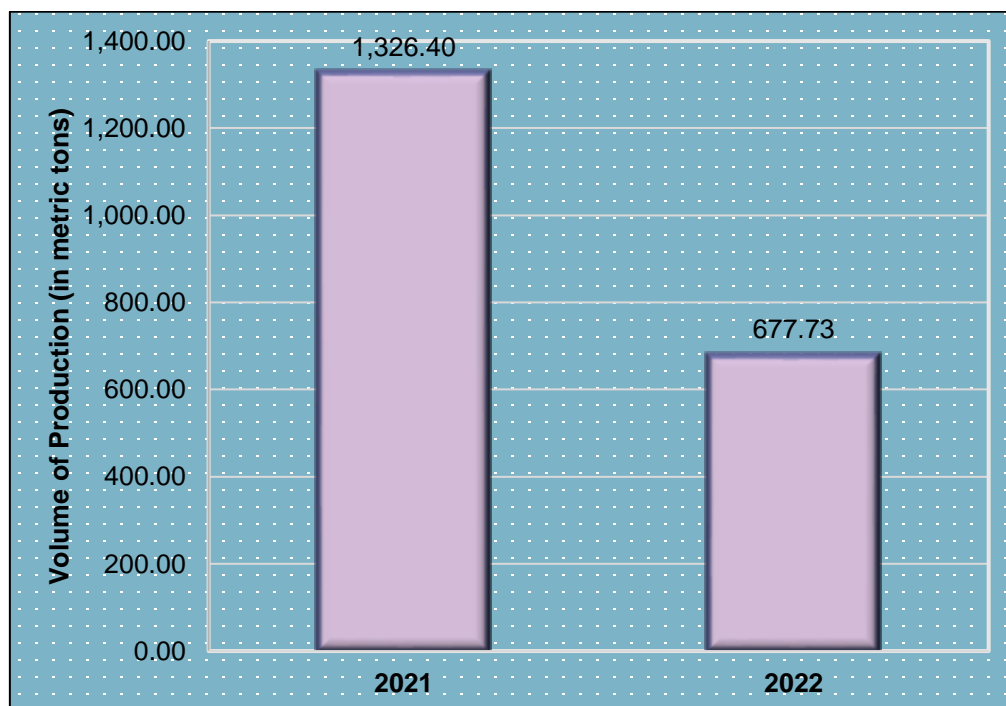
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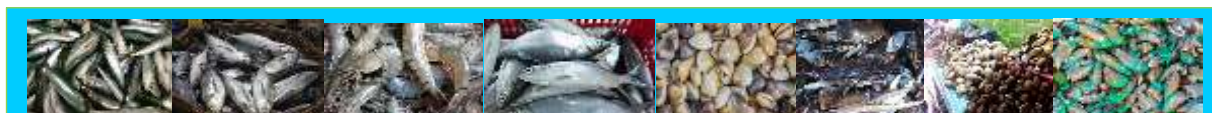
### *La Union's commercial fisheries production decreases in 2022*

The volume of production from commercial fisheries was posted at 677.73 metric tons in 2022. This recorded a decrease of 48.90 percent from its level in the same period a year ago of 1,326.40 metric tons.

**Figure 1. Volume of Commercial Fisheries Production  
La Union: 2021 and 2022**



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

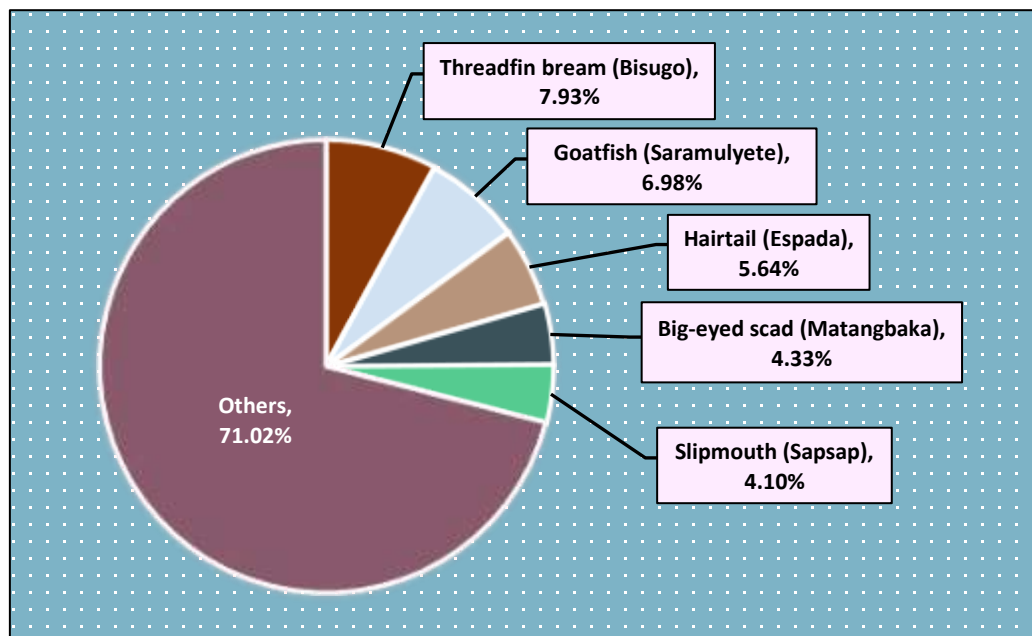


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The top five major catch in La Union in 2022 were Threadfin Bream (Bisugo) with 53.75 metric tons, Goatfish (Saramulyete) with 47.30 metric tons, Hairtail (Espada) with 38.20 metric tons, Big-eyed Scad (Matangbaka) with 29.35 metric tons, and Slipmouth (Sapsap) with 27.81 metric tons.

Threadfin Bream output contributed 7.93 percent to the total commercial fisheries production in 2022. Meanwhile, the shares of Goatfish, Hairtail, Big-eyed Scad and Slipmouth production to the total commercial fisheries output in the said year were 6.98 percent, 5.64 percent, 4.33 percent, and 4.10 percent, respectively.

**Figure 2. Percentage Contribution of Top Species to the Total Commercial Fisheries Volume of Production, La Union: 2022**



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

The total value of commercial fisheries production in La Union in 2022 was PhP94,263.10 which was 43.69 percent lower than its value a year ago of PhP167,391.33.

The top three species with the highest contribution to the total value of commercial fisheries production in 2022 included Threadfin Bream with PhP9,233.51 (9.80 percent share), Goatfish with PhP6,707.50 (7.12 percent share), and Slipmouth with PhP5,677.78 (6.02 percent share). Value of production for Threadfin Bream, Goatfish,

and Slipmouth went down by 47.78 percent, 26.67 percent, and 72.81 percent, respectively from their respective value of production last year.

**Table 1. Value of Commercial Fisheries Production by Species  
La Union: 2021 and 2022**

Species	Value of Production		Percent Change	Percent Share to Total Value of Production (2022)
	2021	2022		
Commercial Fisheries (Total)	167,391.33	94,263.10	-43.69	100.00
Threadfin bream (Bisugo)	17,683.18	9,233.51	-47.78	9.80
Goatfish (Saramulyete)	9,097.27	6,707.50	-26.27	7.12
Slipmouth (Sapsap)	20,881.90	5,677.78	-72.81	6.02
Squid (Pusit)	15,414.77	4,654.87	-69.80	4.94
Big-eyed scad (Matangbaka)	9,871.40	4,510.97	-54.30	4.79
Hairtail (Espada)	9,193.66	4,127.87	-55.10	4.38
Grouper (Lapu-lapu)	8,777.12	3,360.30	-61.72	3.56
Snapper (Maya-maya)	7,271.47	2,399.86	-67.00	2.55
Cavalla (Talakitok)	10,068.26	2,009.45	-80.04	2.13
Indian mackerel (Alumahan)	9,594.37	1,921.19	-79.98	2.04
Indo-pacific mackerel (Hasa-hasa)	9,571.78	1,894.31	-80.21	2.01
Blue crab (Alimasag)	999.94	855.90	-14.40	0.91
Eastern little tuna (Bonito)	5,273.84	690.93	-86.90	0.73
Spanish mackerel (Tanigue)	835.73	418.67	-49.90	0.44
Frigate tuna (Tulingan)	240.64	339.49	41.08	0.36
Anchovies (Dilis)	825.88	334.54	-59.49	0.35
Bali sardinella (Tamban)	266.09	152.01	-42.87	0.16
Fimbriated sardines (Tunsoy)	129.03	105.01	-18.62	0.11
Round herring (Tulis)	37.43	73.05	95.16	0.08
Mullet (Kapak)	-	21.62	100.00	0.02
Parrot fish (Loro)	-	0.14	100.00	0.00
Crevalle (Salay-salay)	3,504.00	-	-100.00	0.00
Others	27,853.57	44,774.13	60.75	47.50

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

Data for commercial fisheries were obtained from Local Government Unit (LGU) - managed fish landing centers, privately-managed fish landing centers, and traditional fish landing centers.



## TECHNICAL NOTES

**Landing Center** is a place where the fish catch and other aquatic products are unloaded and traded. Traditional landing center is a type of landing center where fishermen could unload their catch and/or dock their fishing boats without any obligation or payment for the use of the place.

**Quarterly Commercial Fisheries Survey (Traditional Landing Center)** is a quarterly survey on the volume of fish unloading in traditional landing centers and the price of fish by species. It gathers data on a quarterly basis but the information that is collected is about monthly fish unloading.

**Quarterly Commercial Fisheries Survey (Philippine Fisheries Development Authority (PFDA), Local Government Units (LGUs), Privately-Managed Landing Centers)** is the gathering of data from the records of the PFDA, LGU and privately-managed landing centers. It is done on a quarterly basis but the information being collected is on each of the three months included in the reference quarter.



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