

# SPECIAL RELEASE

## COMMERCIAL FISHERIES SITUATIONER IN LA UNION 2<sup>ND</sup> QUARTER 2023

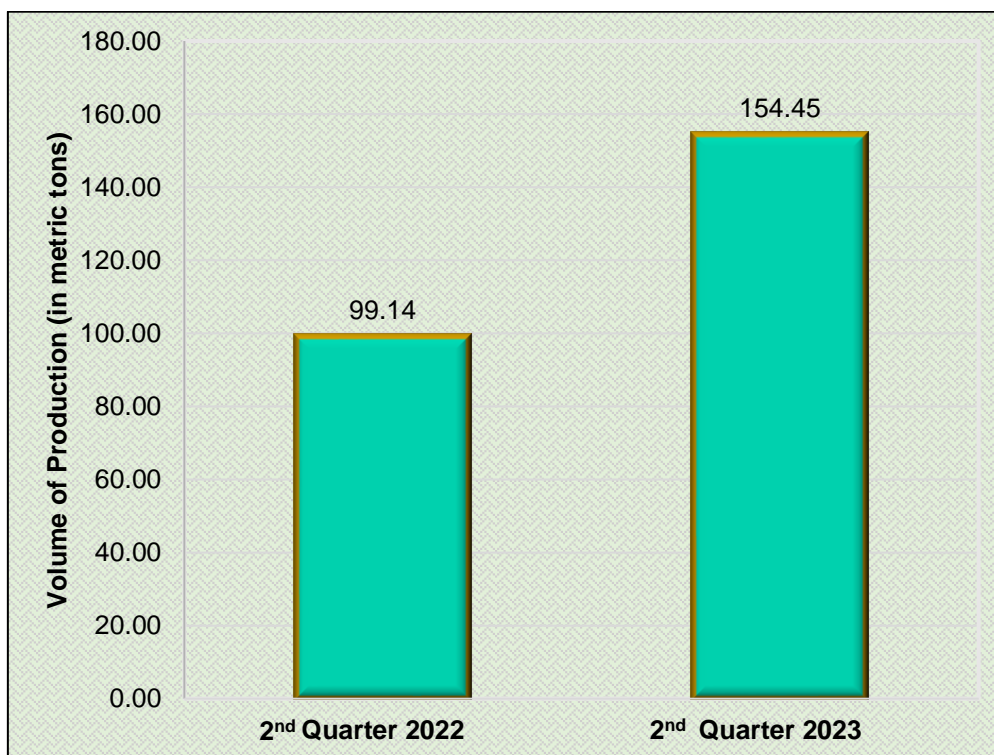
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### *La Union's commercial fisheries production increases in 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2023*

The volume of production from commercial fisheries was posted at 154.45 metric tons in 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter 2023. This recorded an increase of 55.79 percent from its level in 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter 2022 of 99.14 metric tons.

**Figure 1. Volume of Commercial Fisheries Production  
La Union: 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2022 and 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2023**



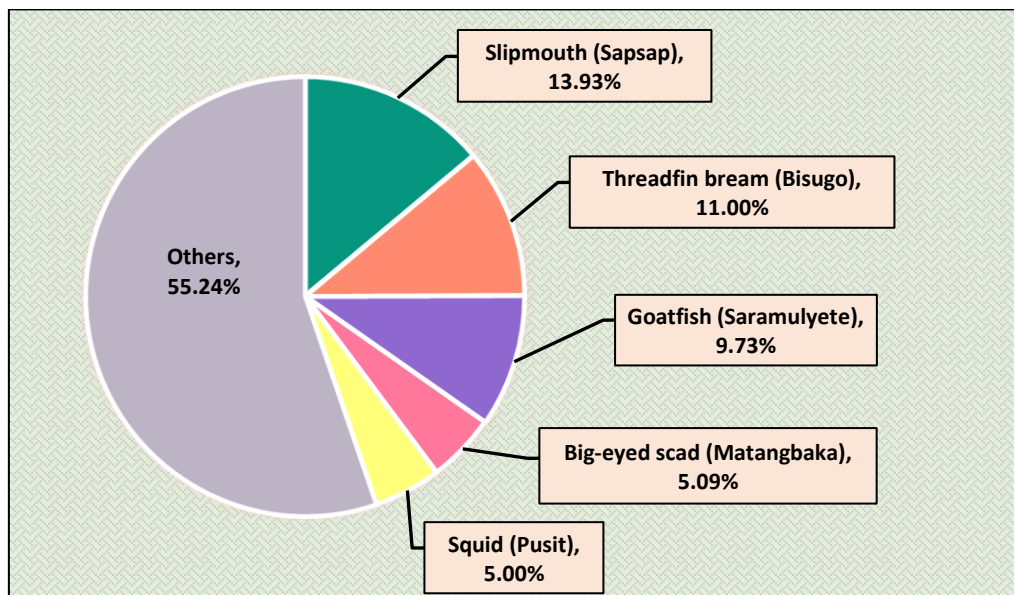
Source: Philippine Statistics Authority



The top five major catch in La Union in 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter 2023 were Slipmouth (Sapsap) with 21.52 metric tons, Threadfin Bream (Bisugo) with 16.99 metric tons, Goatfish (Saramulyete) with 15.03 metric tons, Big-eyed Scad (Matangbaka) with 7.86 metric tons, and Squid (Pusit) with 7.73 metric tons.

Slipmouth output contributed 13.93 percent to the total commercial fisheries production in 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2023. Meanwhile, the shares of Threadfin Bream, Goatfish, Big-eyed Scad and Squid production to the total commercial fisheries output in the said quarter were 11.00 percent, 9.73 percent, 5.09 percent, and 5.00 percent, respectively.

**Figure 2. Percentage Contribution of Top Species to the Total Commercial Fisheries Volume of Production, La Union: 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2023**



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

The total value of commercial fisheries production in La Union in 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter 2023 was PhP24,303.17 which was 122.96 percent higher than its value in 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter 2022 of PhP10,900.21.

The top three species with the highest contribution to the total value of commercial fisheries production in 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter 2023 included Slipmouth with PhP2,836.73 (11.67 percent share), Threadfin Bream with PhP2,245.95 (9.24 percent share), and Goatfish with PhP1,986.40 (8.17 percent share). Value of production for Slipmouth, Threadfin

Bream, and Goatfish went up by 93.97 percent, 105.24 percent, and 165.37 percent, respectively from their value of production in 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter 2022.

**Table 1. Value of Commercial Fisheries Production by Species  
La Union: 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2022 and 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2023**

Species	Value of Production		Percent Change	Percent Share to Total Value of Production (2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2023)
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2022	2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2023		
Commercial Fisheries (Total)	10,900.21	24,303.17	122.96	100.00
Slipmouth (Sapsap)	1,462.48	2,836.73	93.97	11.67
Threadfin bream (Bisugo)	1,094.29	2,245.95	105.24	9.24
Goatfish (Saramulyete)	748.54	1,986.40	165.37	8.17
Squid (Pusit)	718.41	1,917.02	166.84	7.89
Big-eyed scad (Matangbaka)	542.27	1,494.33	175.57	6.15
Hairtail (Espada)	548.93	702.36	27.95	2.89
Grouper (Lapu-lapu)	334.68	437.00	30.57	1.80
Roundscad (Galunggong)	-	289.43	Undefined	1.19
Yellowfin tuna (Tambakol/Bariles)	-	281.40	Undefined	1.16
Blue crab (Alimasag)	231.01	78.64	-65.96	0.32
Skipjack (Gulyasan)	-	76.54	Undefined	0.31
Fimbriated sardines (Tunsoy)	27.60	53.55	94.02	0.22
Spanish mackerel (Tanigue)	108.48	24.61	-77.31	0.10
Anchovies (Dilis)	55.82	15.97	-71.39	0.07
Snapper (Maya-maya)	298.97	7.78	-97.40	0.03
Indian mackerel (Alumahan)	693.15	-	-100.00	0.00
Indo-pacific mackerel (Hasa-hasa)	500.17	-	-100.00	0.00
Cavalla (Talakitok)	291.12	-	-100.00	0.00
Eastern little tuna (Bonito)	190.76	-	-100.00	0.00
Bali sardinella (Tamban)	8.95	-	-100.00	0.00
Others	2,993.37	11,855.46	296.06	48.78

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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