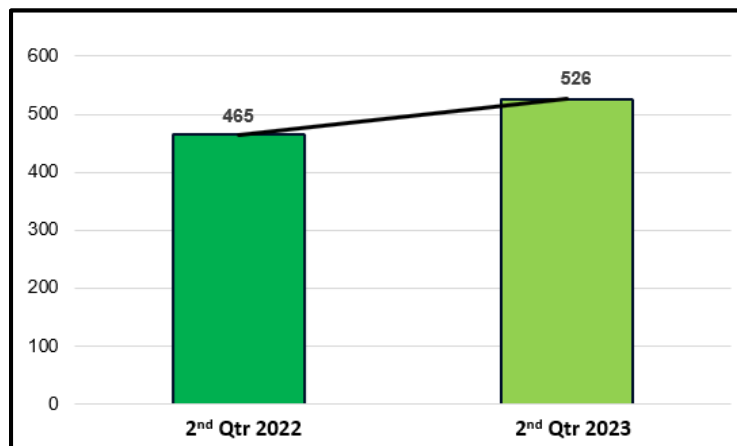


# SPECIAL RELEASE

## Residential Construction Statistics from Approved Building Permits La Union: 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2023 (Preliminary Result)

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**Figure 1. Number of Residential Buildings  
La Union: 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter, 2022 and 2023**



Residential type buildings were recorded at 526 constructions in 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2023. This figure posted an increase of 13.12 percent from the 465 residential buildings reported in the same quarter a year ago.

**Table 1. Number, Floor Area and Value  
of Residential Buildings in La Union  
2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter, 2022 and 2023**

Quarter/Year	Number	Floor Area (sq.m.)	Value (PhP 1,000)
2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2022	465	66,095	754,029
2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2023	526	81,953	890,639

Source: Approved Building Permits (2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2022 and 2023)  
Note: Data presented are preliminary

The total value of all residential building constructions within the province reached PhP890.64 million with a total floor area of 81,953 square meters. This translates to an average cost of PhP10,867.68 per square meter.

Residential constructions in the province were all single-type in 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2023.

**TABLE 2. Number, Floor Area and Value of Residential Buildings by City/Municipality, La Union: 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2023**

Province/Municipality	Number	Floor Area	Value
		(sq.m.)	(PhP1,000)
La Union	526	81,953	890,639*
Agoo	25	5,592	56,150
Aringay	16	2,256	24,667
Bacnotan	37	5,372	76,755
Bagulin	2	262	3,404
Balaoan	31	4,027	38,775
Bangar	9	1,514	19,310
Bauang	61	12,740	94,751
Burgos	-	-	-
Caba	9	951	11,209
Luna	46	3,846	43,510
Naguilian	66	6,938	69,490
Pugo	8	1,815	19,283
Rosario	37	6,439	69,907
San Fernando City	100	18,027	184,725
San Gabriel	4	481	4,163
San Juan	49	8,130	131,723
Sto. Tomas	4	887	6,600
Santol	6	847	8,963
Sudipen	4	378	6,023
Tubao	12	1,451	21,229

Source: Approved Building Permits (2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2023)

Note: Data presented are preliminary

\*Details may not add up to total due to rounding.

In La Union, the City of San Fernando with 100 constructions occupied the top rank in terms of the number of residential building constructions in 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2023 with a share of 19.01 percent to the provincial total. It had an estimated construction value of PhP184.73 million with a total floor area of 18,027 square meters or an average cost of PhP10,247.13 per square meter. The municipality of Naguilian ranked second with a share of 12.55 percent (66 constructions) while Bauang ranked second with a share of 11.60 percent (61 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.

**Residential Building** is a building for which its major parts or more than half of its gross floor area is built for dwelling purposes. This type of building can be of the single type, duplex, an apartment and/or accessoria.

**Single House** is a complete structure intended for a single family or household, i. e. bungalow, two-storey house, nipa hut.

**Duplex** is a structure intended for two households, with complete living facilities for each; it is a single structure divided into two dwelling units by a wall extending from the floor to the ceiling.

**Apartment** is a structure, usually of several storey made up of independent living quarters, with independent entrances from internal walls and courts.

**Accessoria** is a one or two-floor structure divided into several dwelling units having their own separate entrances from outside.

**Other Residential Constructions** consist of school or company staff houses, living quarters for drivers and maids and guardhouses.

**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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