

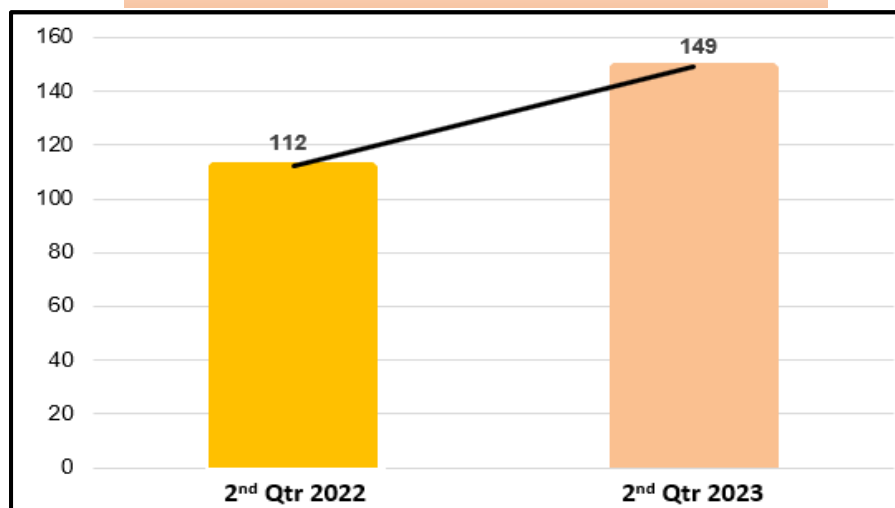
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Non-Residential Construction Statistics from Approved Building Permits La Union: 2nd Quarter 2023 (Preliminary Result)

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**Figure 1. Number of Non-Residential Buildings
La Union: 2nd Quarter, 2022 and 2023**



The total number of new non-residential building constructions from approved building permits in 2nd quarter 2023 was recorded at 149 constructions, reflecting an increase of 33.04 percent from 112 constructions in same quarter last year.

**Table 1. Number, Floor Area and Value
of Non-Residential Buildings
La Union: 2nd Quarter, 2022 and 2023**

Quarter/Year	Number	Floor Area (sq.m.)	Value (PhP 1,000)
2 nd Quarter 2022	112	41,926	435,428
2 nd Quarter 2023	149	51,554	657,473

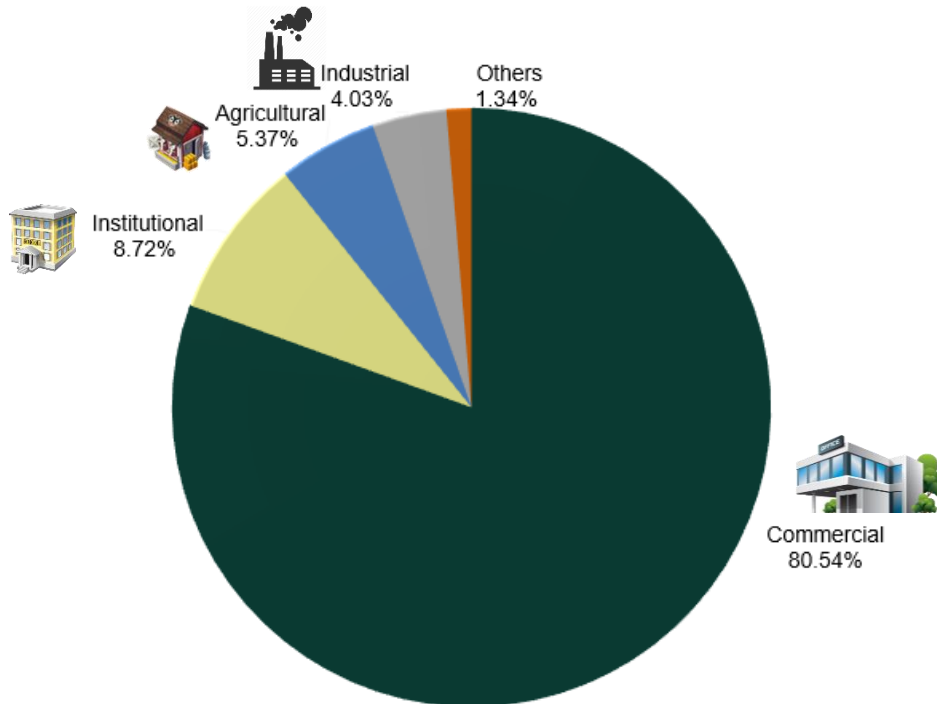
Source: Approved Building Permits (2nd Quarter 2022 and 2023)

Note: Data presented are preliminary

The total floor area of the new non-residential construction projects increased by 22.96 percent from 41,926 square meters in the 2nd quarter of 2022 to 51,554 square meters

in the 2nd quarter of 2023. Similarly, the value of new construction projects increased by 50.99 percent from PhP435.43 million in 2nd quarter of 2022 to PhP 657.47 million in 2nd quarter 2023.

FIGURE 2. Percent Distribution of Non Residential Constructions by Type, La Union: 2nd Quarter 2023



Commercial-type building constructions posted the biggest proportion of non-residential constructions with 80.54 percent of the total non-residential constructions (120 construction projects). The total value of constructions for this type was estimated at PhP275.22 million covering a floor area of 28,214 square meters or an average cost of PhP9,754.84 per square meter.

Institutional buildings distantly followed with 8.72 percent share to the total non-residential constructions (13 constructions). Total value for institutional constructions was estimated at PhP353.65 million with a total floor area of 20,358 square meters or an average cost of PhP17,371.50 per square meter.

Agricultural buildings ranked third with 5.37 percent share to the total non-residential constructions (8 constructions). Total value for agricultural buildings was estimated at PhP5.44 million with a total floor area of 848 square meters or an average cost of PhP6,410.38 per square meter.

Industrial buildings ranked fourth with 4.03 percent share to the total-non residential constructions (6 constructions). Total value for Industrial buildings was estimated at PhP20.88 million with a total floor area of 2,134 square meters or an average cost of PhP9,784.91 per square meter.

Other constructions had the least number of constructions with 1.34 percent share to the total non-residential constructions (2 constructions). Total value for other constructions was estimated at PhP2.28 million.

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

Province/Municipality	Number	Floor Area	Value
		(sq.m.)	(PhP1,000)
La Union	149	51,554	657,473
Agoo	9	6,783	195,705
Aringay	6	534	6,110
Bacnotan	10	4,738	33,164
Bagulin	2	347	5,637
Balaoan	5	1,560	10,748
Bangar	11	2,646	28,812
Bauang	3	756	5,485
Burgos	1	100	200
Caba	1	125	1,832
Luna	1	80	504
Naguilian	8	763	6,011
Pugo	8	844	8,830
Rosario	12	5,652	75,223
San Fernando City	32	17,794	165,751
San Gabriel	3	709	4,254
San Juan	18	5,030	82,038
Sto. Tomas	5	1,603	11,049
Santol	7	348	3,432
Sudipen	2	102	1,170
Tubao	5	1,040	11,519

Source: Approved Building Permits (2nd Quarter 2023)

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In La Union, the City of San Fernando occupied the top rank in terms of the number of non-residential building constructions in 2nd quarter of 2023 with a share of 21.48 percent (32 constructions) to the provincial total. The municipality of San Juan placed second with a share of 12.08 percent (18 constructions) while Rosario ranked third with a share of 8.05 percent (12 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.

Non-Residential Building includes commercial, industrial, agricultural and institutional buildings.

Commercial Building includes office buildings and all buildings which are intended for use primarily in wholesale, retail and service trades; i.e. stores, hotels, restaurants, banks, disco houses, etc.

Industrial Buildings are buildings which are used to house the production, assembly and warehousing activities of industrial establishments; i.e. factories, plants, mills, repair shops, machine shops, printing press, storage plant, electric generating plants.

Institutional Buildings are buildings which are primarily engaged in providing educational instructions and hospital/health care; ports, airports and other government buildings; i.e. schools, museums, libraries, sanitarium, churches, hospitals.

Agricultural Buildings are buildings which are used to house livestock, plants and agricultural products such as barn, poultry house, piggeries, stables, greenhouses and grain mill.

Other Non-Building Constructions include cemetery structures, street furniture, waiting sheds, communication towers, etc.

Addition refers to any new construction which increases the height or area of an existing building/structure.

Alteration refers to construction in a structure involving changes in the materials used, partitioning, location/size of openings, structural parts, existing utilities and equipment but does not increase the overall area thereof.

Repair refers to remedial work done on any damaged or deteriorated portion/s of a structure to restore its original condition.

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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