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## MUNICIPAL FISHERIES SITUATIONER IN LA UNION 4<sup>TH</sup> QUARTER 2023

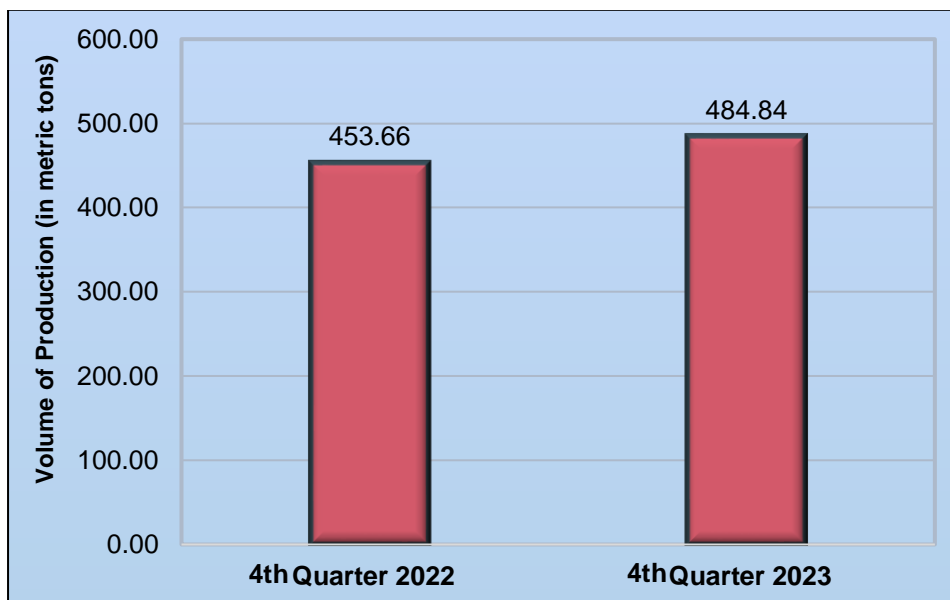
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### *La Union's municipal fisheries production increases in 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2023*

The total municipal fisheries production in La Union went up by 6.87 percent from the estimated production of 453.66 metric tons in 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2022 to 484.84 metric tons in 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2023. (Figure 1)

**Figure 1. Volume of Municipal Fisheries Production  
La Union: 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2022 and 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2023**



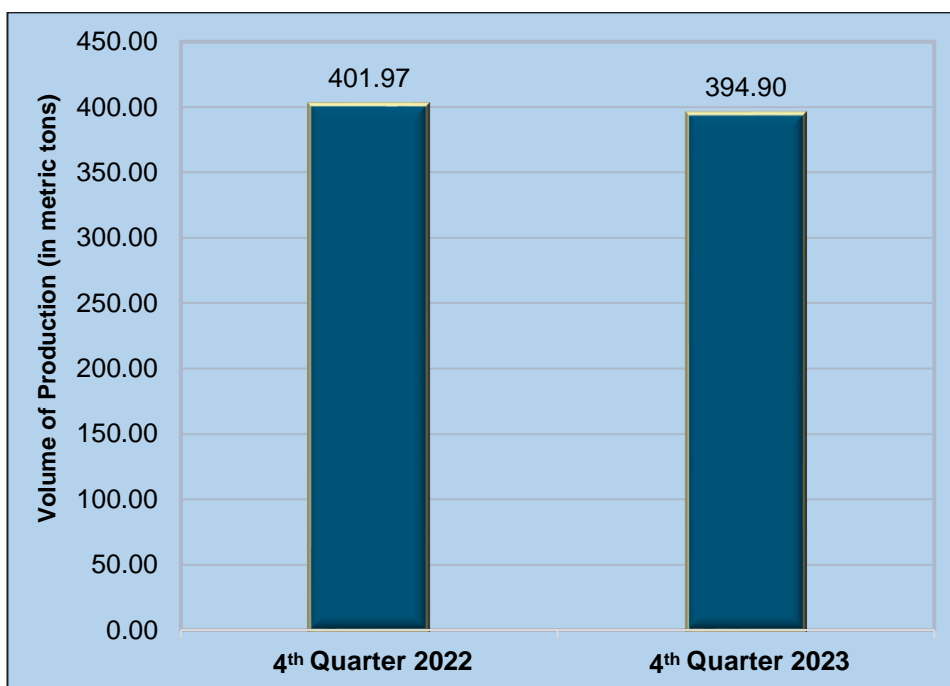
Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

Of the total volume of production for municipal fisheries, 81.45 percent came from marine municipal fisheries while 18.55 percent from inland municipal fisheries.

### **Marine Municipal**

The volume of production from marine municipal fisheries dropped by 1.76 percent from 401.97 metric tons in 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2022 to 394.90 metric tons in 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2023. (Figure 2)

**Figure 2. Volume of Marine Municipal Fisheries Production  
La Union: 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2022 and 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2023**

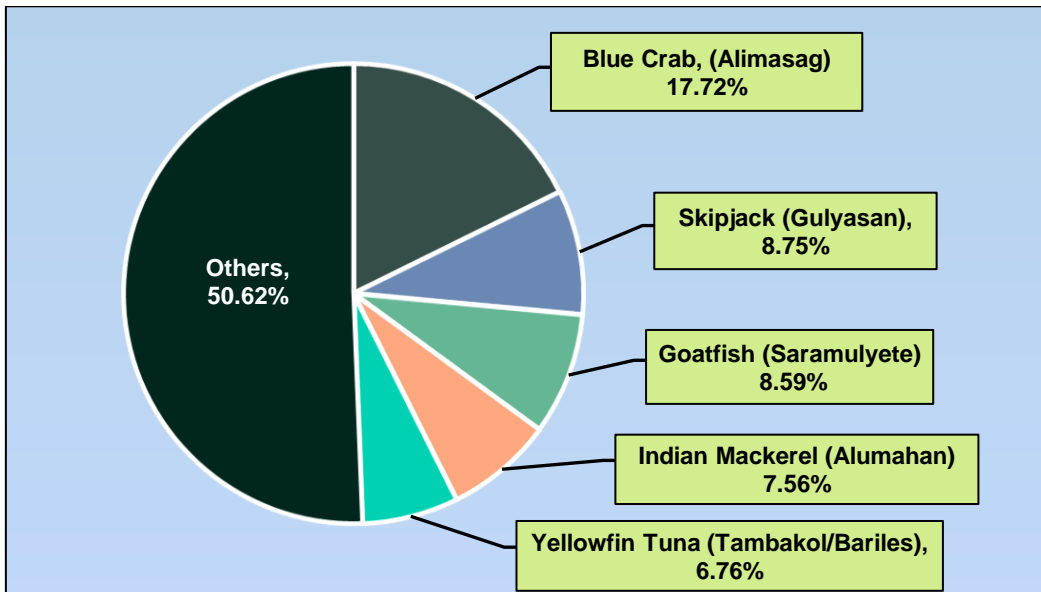


Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

The dominant catch in marine municipal fisheries of the province in 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2023 were Blue Crab (Alimasag) with 69.99 metric tons (17.72 percent share), Skipjack (Gulyasan) with 34.54 metric tons (8.75 percent share), Goatfish (Saramulyete) with 33.92 metric tons (8.59 percent share), Indian Mackerel (Alumahan) with 29.86 metric tons (7.56 percent share), and Yellowfin Tuna (Tambakol/Bariles) with 26.70 metric tons (6.76 percent share). (Figure 3)



**Figure 3. Percentage Contribution of Top Species to the Total Marine Municipal Fisheries Volume of Production La Union: 4th Quarter 2023**

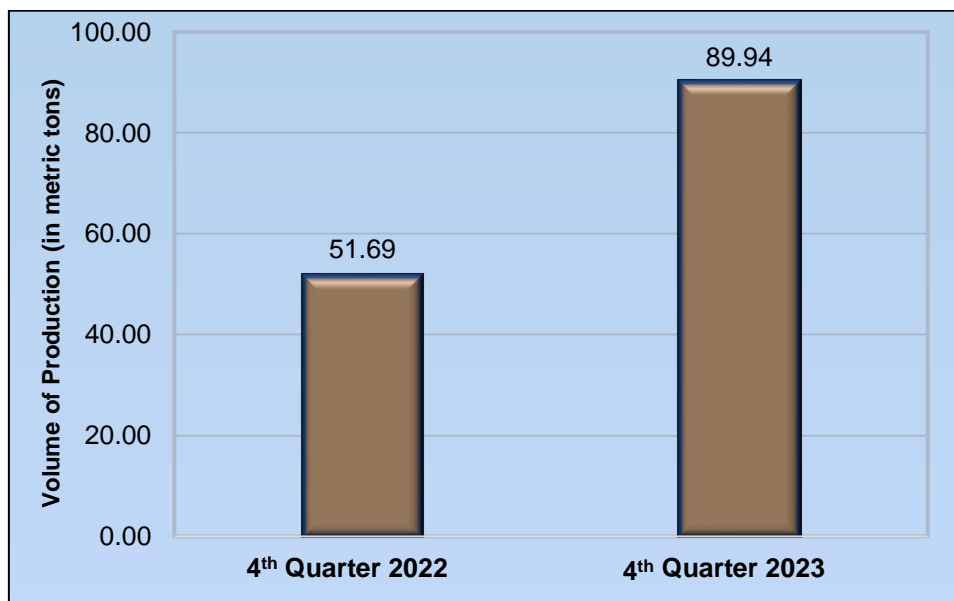


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### ***Inland Municipal***

The volume of production from inland municipal fisheries went up by 74.00 percent from 51.69 metric tons in 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2022 to 89.94 metric tons in 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2023. (Figure 4)

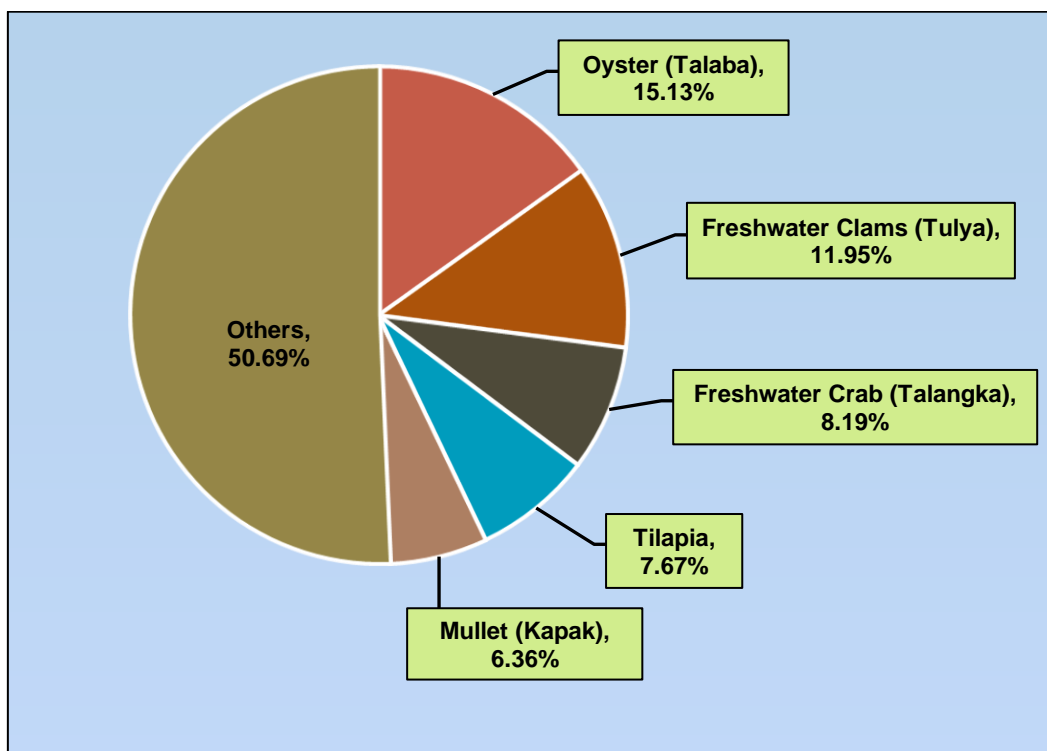
**Figure 4. Volume of Inland Municipal Fisheries Production La Union: 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2022 and 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2023**



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

The top five major catch in the province in 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2023 were Oyster (Talaba) with 13.61 metric tons (15.13 percent share), Freshwater Clams (Tulya) with 10.75 metric tons (11.95 percent share), Freshwater Crabs (Talangka) with 7.37 metric tons (8.19 percent share), Tilapia with 6.90 metric tons (7.67 percent share), and Mullet (Kapak) with 5.72 metric tons (6.36 percent share). (Figure 5)

**Figure 5. Percentage Contribution of Top Species to the Total Inland Municipal Fisheries Volume of Production  
La Union: 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2023**



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority  
\*Details may not add up to 100 percent due to rounding.

Municipal fisheries data were gathered from administrative records of the Philippine Fisheries Development Authority (PFDA), Local Government Unit (LGU) - managed landing centers, and traditional landing centers.



## TECHNICAL NOTES


**Inland Municipal Fishing** – the catching of fish, crustaceans, mollusks and other aquatic animals and plants in inland waters like lakes, rivers, dams, marshes, etc. using simple gears and fishing boats some of which are non-motorized with a capacity of less than three (3) gross tons, or fishing not requiring the use of fishing boats.

**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 Inland Fisheries Survey** is a survey on volume and price of fish by species, caught by households engaged in inland fishing. It gathers quarterly data with monthly catch from sample fishing households. Respondents are fishermen or any knowledgeable member of the sample household.

**Quarterly Municipal Fisheries Survey (Traditional Landing Center)** – is a survey on volume and price of fish, by species, unloaded by fishing boats three (3) gross tons or less. It gathers quarterly data for the entire sample landing center with information on monthly fish unloading.

**Quarterly Municipal Fisheries Survey (Philippine Fisheries Development Authority (PFDA), Local Government Units (LGUs), Privately-Managed Landing Centers)** is gathering of data on volume and price of fish from administrative records of Philippine Fisheries Development Authority (PFDA) and Local Government Units (LGU)-managed landing centers. It is done on a quarterly basis with information from three (3) month period.

  
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