

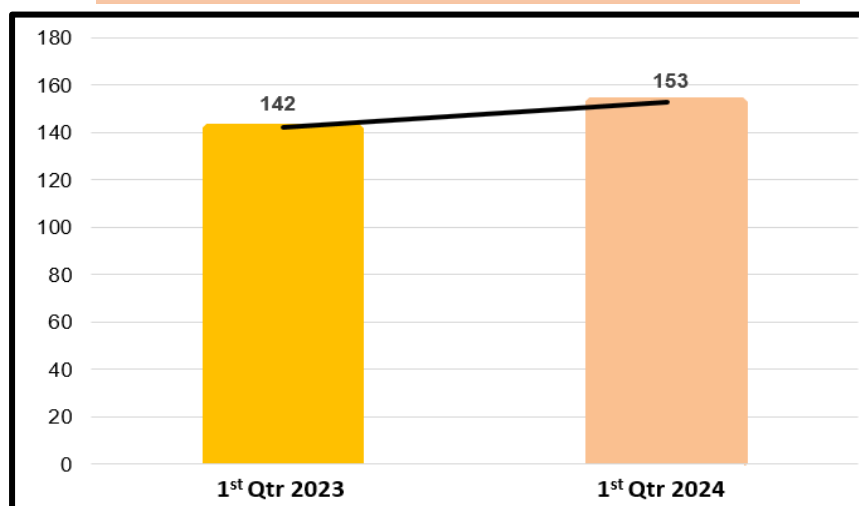
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Non Residential Construction Statistics from Approved Building Permits La Union: 1st Quarter 2024 (Preliminary Result)

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**Figure 1. Number of Non Residential Buildings
La Union: 1st Quarter, 2023 and 2024**



The total number of new non residential building constructions from approved building permits in 1st quarter 2024 was recorded at 153 constructions, reflecting an increase of 7.75 percent from 142 constructions in same quarter last year.

**Table 1. Number, Floor Area and Value
of Non Residential Buildings
La Union: 1st Quarter, 2023 and 2024**

Quarter/Year	Number	Floor Area (sq.m.)	Value (PhP 1,000)
1st Quarter 2023	142	34,074	306,298
1st Quarter 2024	153	110,922	1,259,739

Source: Approved Building Permits (1st Quarter 2023 and 2024)

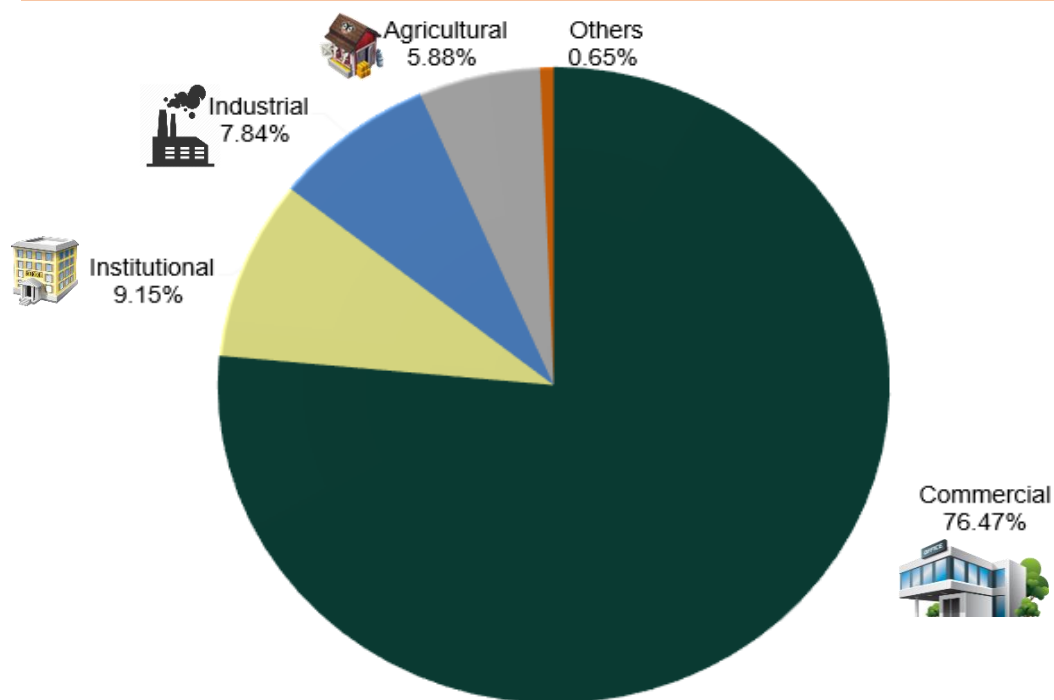
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The total floor area of the new non residential construction projects increased by 225.53 percent from 34,074 square meters in the 1st quarter of 2023 to 110,922 square



meters in the 1st quarter of 2024. Similarly, the value of new construction projects increased by 311.28 percent from PhP306.30 million in 1st quarter of 2023 to PhP1,259.74 million in 1st quarter 2024.

FIGURE 2. Percent Distribution of Non Residential Constructions by Type, La Union: 1st Quarter 2024



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

Commercial-type building constructions posted the biggest proportion of non residential constructions with 76.47 percent of the total non residential constructions (117 construction projects). The total value of constructions for this type was estimated at PhP986.95 million covering a floor area of 87,421 square meters or an average cost of PhP11,289.61 per square meter.

Institutional buildings distantly followed with 9.15 percent share to the total non residential constructions (14 constructions). Total value for institutional constructions was estimated at PhP201.26 million with a total floor area of 14,597 square meters or an average cost of PhP13,788.04 per square meter.

Industrial buildings ranked third with 7.84 percent share to the total non residential constructions (12 constructions). Total value for Industrial buildings was estimated at PhP63.58 million with a total floor area of 8,203 square meters or an average cost of PhP7,750.94 per square meter.

Agricultural buildings ranked fourth with 5.88 percent share to the total non residential constructions (9 constructions). Total value for agricultural buildings was estimated at PhP5.43 million with a total floor area of 701 square meters or an average cost of PhP7,738.94 per square meter.

Other constructions had the least number of construction with 0.65 percent share to the total non residential constructions (1 construction). Total value for other constructions was estimated at PhP2.5 million.

TABLE 2. Number, Floor Area and Value of Non Residential Buildings by City/Municipality, La Union: 1st Quarter 2024

Province/Municipality	Number	Floor Area	Value
		(sq.m.)	(PhP1,000)
La Union	153	110,922	1,259,739
Agoo	10	1,127	8,908
Aringay	1	26	187
Bacnotan	9	4,327	41,929
Bagulin	2	489	12,509
Balaoan	2	3,383	111,289
Bangar	4	299	2,695
Bauang	9	2,478	18,256
Burgos	1	339	2,518
Caba	-	-	-
Luna	6	580	2,291
Naguilian	9	1,600	19,577
Pugo	10	1,614	11,812
Rosario	16	5,424	47,731
San Fernando City	18	66,546	811,076
San Gabriel	3	2,003	13,997
San Juan	32	17,234	131,224
Sto. Tomas	5	1,693	11,840
Santol	11	519	3,091
Sudipen	-	-	-
Tubao	5	1,241	8,809

Source: Approved Building Permits (1st Quarter 2024)

Note: Data presented are preliminary

In La Union, Municipality of San Juan occupied the top rank in terms of the number of non residential building constructions in 1st quarter of 2024 with a share of 20.92 percent (32 constructions) to the provincial total. City of San Fernando placed second

with a share of 11.76 percent (18 constructions) while Rosario ranked third with a share of 10.46 percent (16 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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