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# PALAY SITUATION IN LA UNION 3RD QUARTER 2024

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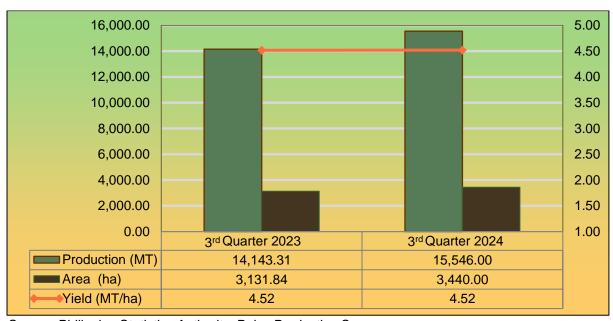
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#### Palay production in La Union increases in 3rd quarter 2024

The volume of palay production in La Union in 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2024 was recorded at 15,546.00 metric tons. This is 9.92 percent higher than the volume of palay production in the province in the same period of 2023 at 14,143.31 metric tons.

Likewise, the area harvested for palay in the province increased by 9.84 percent from 3,131.84 hectares in 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2023 to 3,440.00 hectares in 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2024. The yield per hectare stood at 4.52 metric tons per hectare in 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2024.

Figure 1. Palay Production Estimates in La Union 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2023 and 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2024



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, Palay Production Survey

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Overall, the volume of palay production in Ilocos Region increased by 2.81 percent from 187,607.80 metric tons in 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2023 to 192,871.50 metric tons in 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2024. Among the four provinces of Ilocos Region, La Union recorded the least volume of palay production in 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2024 with 8.06 percent (15,546.00 metric tons) of the total palay production in the region. Pangasinan accounted for the bulk of palay production in the region with 51.28 percent share (98,910.00 metric tons) followed by Ilocos Norte with 24.79 percent share (47,806.50 metric tons) and Ilocos Sur with 15.87 percent share (30,609.00 metric tons).

La Union, 8.06%

Ilocos Sur, 15.87%

Pangasinan, 51.28%

Figure 2. Percent Distribution of Volume of Palay Production by Province, Ilocos Region: 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2024

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, Palay Production Survey

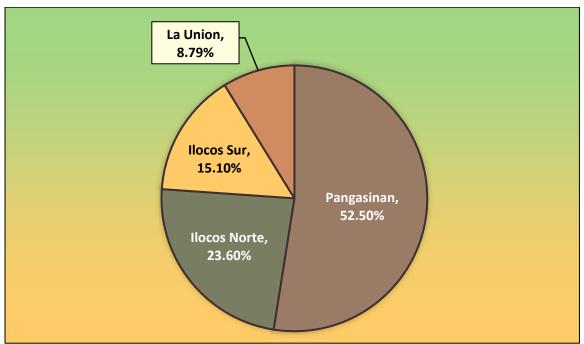
In terms of total area harvested for palay in Ilocos Region, the area decreased by 0.82 percent from 39,444.84 hectares in 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2023 to 39,119.51 hectares in 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2024. La Union had the smallest proportion of the total harvested area for palay in 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2024 with 8.79 percent share (3,440.00 hectares). Pangasinan had the largest proportion of the total area harvested for palay in the region with 52.50 percent share (20,537.00 hectares), followed by Ilocos Norte with 23.60 percent share (9,234.00 hectares), and Ilocos Sur with 15.10 percent share (5,908.51 hectares).





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Figure 3. Percent Distribution of Area Harvested for Palay by Province, Ilocos Region: 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2024



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, Palay Production Survey

Note: Details may not add up to total due to rounding.

By ecosystem, the volume of palay produced from irrigated farms in La Union in 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2024 was 13,355.00 metric tons. This posted an increase of 8.78 percent from the 12,276.77 metric tons volume of palay production from irrigated farms in 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2023. Meanwhile, the volume of palay produced from rainfed farms in La Union in 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2024 was 2,191.00 metric tons. This translates to an increase of 17.38 percent from the volume of palay produced from rainfed farms in 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2023 at 1,866.54 metric tons.





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## **STATISTICAL TABLES**

Table 1. Volume of Production for Palay and Percent Share by Province Ilocos Region: 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2023 and 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2024

	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2024		3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2023	
Area	Production (MT)	Share (%)	Production (MT)	Share (%)
Ilocos Region	192,871.50	100.00	187,607.80	100.00
Ilocos Norte	47,806.50	24.79	43,194.32	23.02
Ilocos Sur	30,609.00	15.87	30,732.76	16.38
La Union	15,546.00	8.06	14,143.30	7.54
Pangasinan	98,910.00	51.28	99,537.42	53.06

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, Palay Production Survey

Table 2. Area Harvested for Palay and Percent Share by Province Ilocos Region: 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2023 and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2024					
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2024		3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2023		
Area	Area Harvested (Ha)	Share (%)	Area Harvested (Ha)	Share (%)	
Ilocos Region	39,119.51	100.00	39,444.84	100.00	
Ilocos Norte	9,234.00	23.60	9,357.00	23.72	
Ilocos Sur	5,908.51	15.10	6,348.00	16.09	
La Union	3,440.00	8.79	3,131.84	7.94	
Pangasinan	20.537.00	52.50	20.608.00	52.25	

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, Palay Production Survey
\*Details may not add up to total due to rounding

Table 3. Volume of Production and Area Harvested for Palay by Ecosystem La Union: 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2023 and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2024				
PALAY	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2024	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2023		

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Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, Palay Production Survey

Table 4. Palay Yield by Ecosystem La Union: 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2023 and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2024				
	Yiel	Yield		
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2024	3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2023		
All Farms	4.52	4.52		
Irrigated Farm	4.57	4.57		
Rainfed Farm	4.21	4.21		

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, Palay Production Survey



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### **TECHNICAL NOTES**

**Palay Production Survey (PPS)** is a quarterly survey that generates estimates and forecasts data on production, area and yield of palay. The survey gathers information on the area planted/harvested and production by ecosystem; monthly distribution of production and area harvested; farm household disposition/utilization of production; area of standing crop; use of seeds, fertilizers and pesticides; and awareness and availment of program interventions.

#### **Reference Periods**

January Survey round – October to December

April Survey round - January to March

July Survey round - April to June

October Survey round - July to September

**Production** refers to the quantity produced and actually harvested for a particular crop during the reference period.

**Area Harvested** refers to the actual area from which harvest are realized during the reference period.

**Irrigated Farms** refer to area with irrigation facilities supplying water through artificial means like gravity, force/power, pump, etc. Irrigated area become rainfed only, when the irrigation system is no longer operational for the past two years and beyond repair and there is no plan of irrigating the farm.

**Rainfed Farms** refer to area that holds standing water but solely dependent on rainfall for its water supply. It may have dikes that retain rainwater.

**Yield** refers to the measurement of the amount of agricultural production harvested per unit of land area.

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