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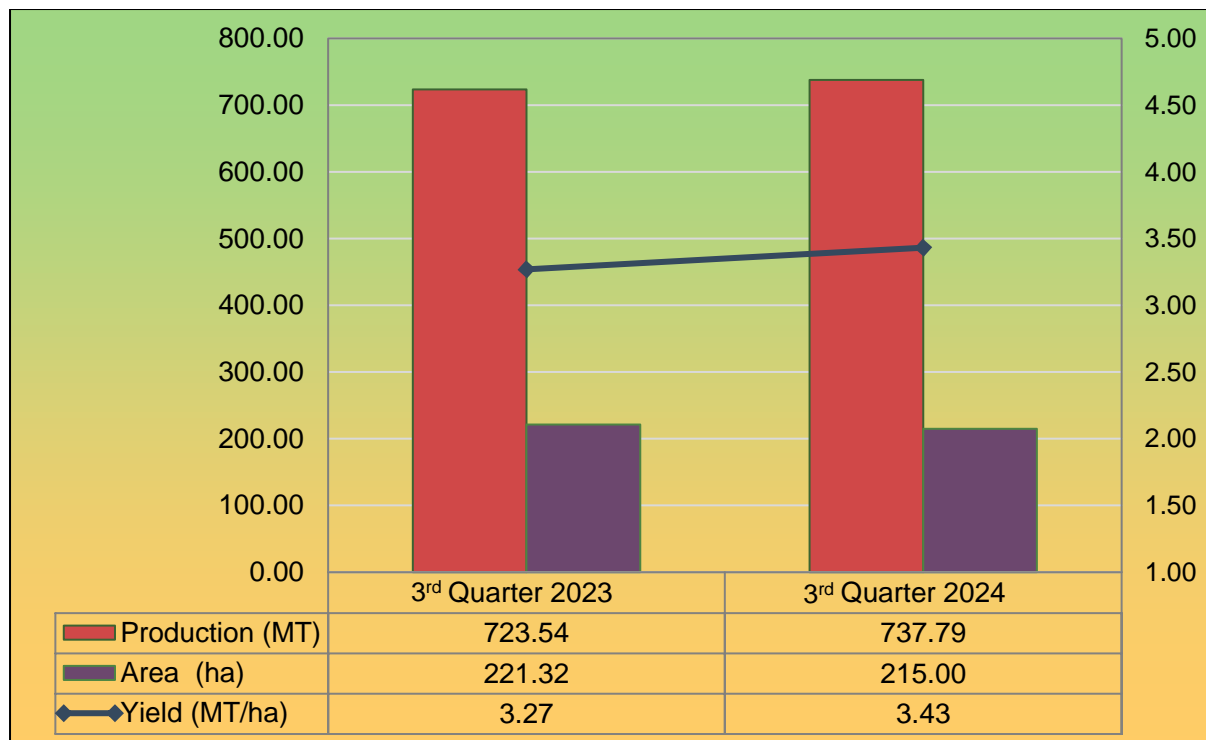
CORN SITUATION IN LA UNION 3RD QUARTER 2024

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Corn production in La Union grows in 3rd quarter 2024

Two types of corn (white corn and yellow corn) were grown in La Union in 3rd quarter 2023 and 3rd quarter 2024. The volume of corn production increased by 1.97 percent in 3rd quarter 2024 at 737.79 metric tons from 723.54 metric tons in 3rd quarter 2023.

**Figure 1. Corn Production Estimates in La Union
3rd Quarter 2023 and 3rd Quarter 2024**



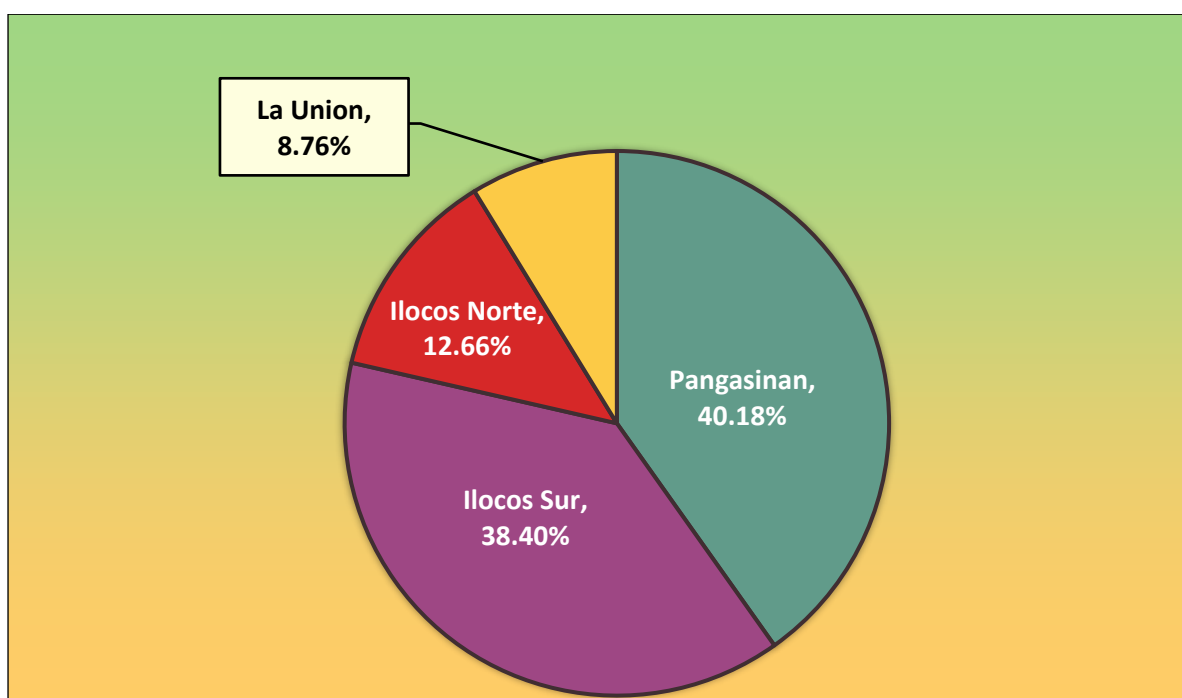
Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, Corn Production Survey



On the contrary, the area harvested for corn decreased by 2.86 percent from 221.32 hectares in 3rd quarter 2023 to 215.00 hectares in 3rd quarter 2024. The yield per hectare increased by 4.97 percent at 3.43 metric tons in 3rd quarter 2024 from 3.27 metric tons in 3rd quarter 2023.

Likewise, Ilocos Region’s volume of corn production went up in 3rd quarter 2024. An increase of 18.14 percent was noted in the region’s volume of corn production from 7,129.14 metric tons in 3rd quarter 2023 to 8,422.39 metric tons in 3rd quarter 2024.

Figure 2. Percent Share of Volume of Corn Production by Province, Ilocos Region: 3rd Quarter 2024



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, Corn Production Survey

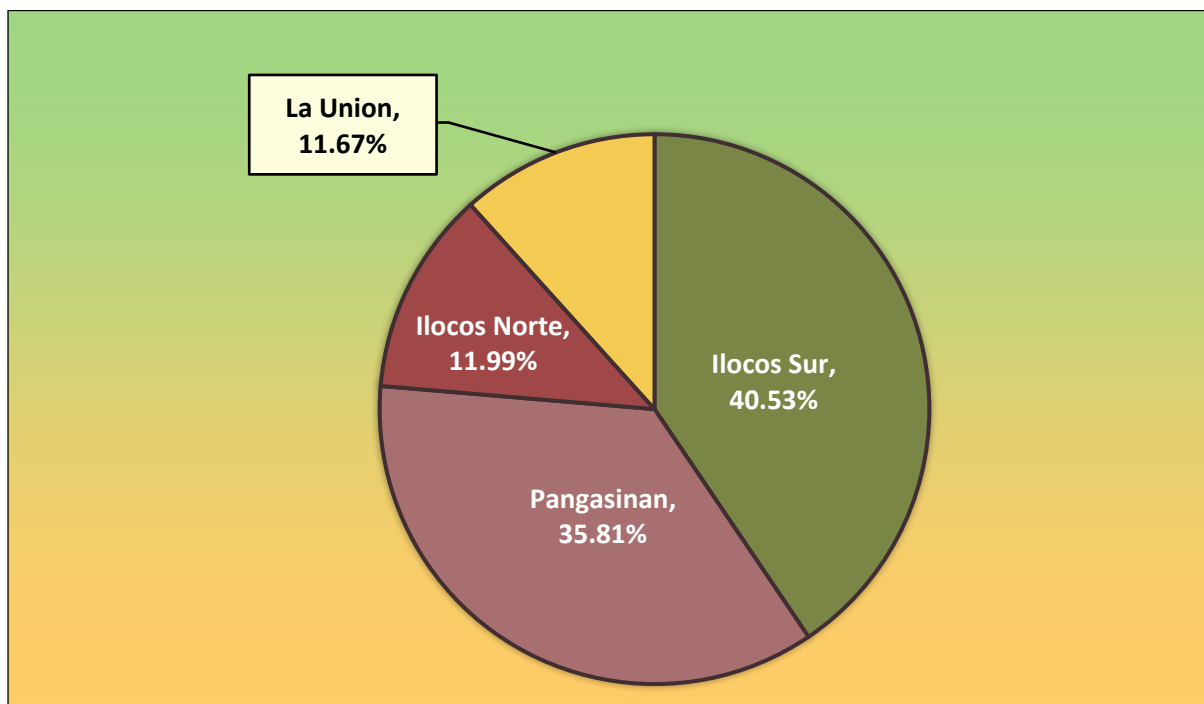
Among the provinces in Ilocos Region, La Union posted the least volume of corn production in 3rd quarter 2024 accounting to 8.76 percent (737.79 metric tons) of the total volume of corn production in the region. On the other hand, Pangasinan recorded the largest volume of corn production in the region with 40.18 percent share (3,384.00 metric tons). Ilocos Sur followed with 38.40 percent share (3,234.00 metric tons) and Ilocos Norte with 12.66 percent share (1,066.60 metric tons).

Similar to the increase in corn output from 3rd quarter 2023 to 3rd quarter 2024 at the regional level, the corn output in the provinces of Ilocos Norte, Ilocos Sur, and La



Union also increased by 101.39 percent, 31.68 percent, and 1.97 percent, respectively. On the other hand, the corn output in the province of Pangasinan decreased by 1.05 percent.

Figure 3. Percent Share of Area Harvested for Corn by Province, Ilocos Region: 3rd Quarter 2024



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, Corn Production Survey

Moreover, the area harvested for corn in Ilocos Region increased by 9.81 percent from 1,678.32 hectares in 3rd quarter 2023 to 1,843.00 hectares in 3rd quarter 2024. Among the four provinces, La Union had the least share of 11.67 percent (215.00 hectares) to the total area harvested for corn in the region. Ilocos Sur occupied the biggest area harvested for corn with 40.53 percent share (747.00 hectares) followed by Pangasinan with 35.81 percent share (660.00 hectares) and Ilocos Norte with 11.99 percent share (221.00 hectares). (Figure 3)

Comparing the area harvested for corn in the 3rd quarter of 2024 with the same period a year ago, the provinces of Ilocos Norte and Ilocos Sur recorded increases of 56.74 percent and 19.33 percent, respectively. Meanwhile, the area harvested for corn in the



province of Pangasinan and La Union decreased by 4.35 percent and 2.86 percent, respectively.

STATISTICAL TABLES

Area	3 rd Quarter 2024		3 rd Quarter 2023	
	Production (MT)	Share (%)	Production (MT)	Share (%)
Ilocos Region	8,422.39	100.00	7,129.14	100.00
Ilocos Norte	1,066.60	12.66	529.61	7.43
Ilocos Sur	3,234.00	38.40	2,456.00	34.45
La Union	737.79	8.76	723.54	10.15
Pangasinan	3,384.00	40.18	3,420.00	47.97

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, Corn Production Survey

Area	3 rd Quarter 2024		3 rd Quarter 2023	
	Area Harvested (hectares)	Share (%)	Area Harvested (hectares)	Share (%)
Ilocos Region	1,843.00	100.00	1,678.32	100.00
Ilocos Norte	221.00	11.99	141.00	8.40
Ilocos Sur	747.00	40.53	626.00	37.30
La Union	215.00	11.67	221.32	13.19
Pangasinan	660.00	35.81	690.00	41.11

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, Corn Production Survey

	3 rd Quarter 2024	3 rd Quarter 2023
Volume of Production (in metric tons)	737.79	723.54
White Corn	703.15	654.66
Yellow Corn	34.64	68.88
Area Harvested (in hectares)	215.00	221.32
White Corn	208.00	207.32
Yellow Corn	7.00	14.00

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, Corn Production Survey



Table 4. Corn Yield per Hectare in La Union 3rd Quarter 2023 and 3rd Quarter 2024 (in metric tons)		
CORN	3rd Quarter 2024	3rd Quarter 2023
All Corn	3.43	3.27
White Corn	3.38	3.16
Yellow Corn	4.95	4.92

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, Corn Production Survey



TECHNICAL NOTES

Corn Production Survey (CPS) is a quarterly survey that generates estimates and forecasts data on production, area and yield of corn. The survey gathers information on the area planted/harvested and production by ecosystem and crop type; 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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