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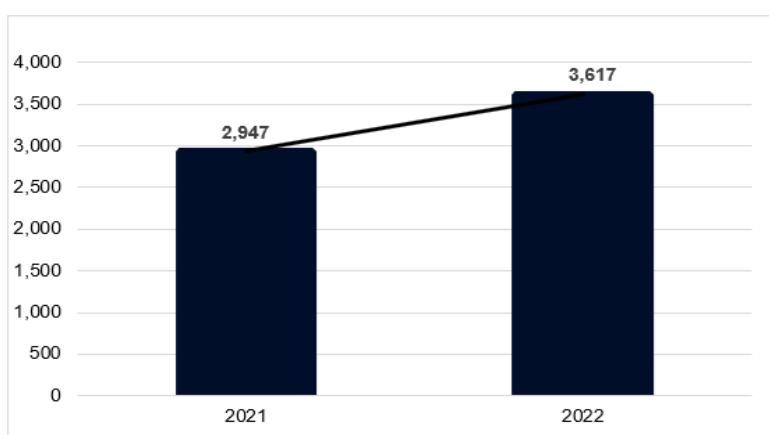
# SPECIAL RELEASE

## Residential Construction Statistics from Approved Building Permits

La Union: 2022  
(Preliminary Result)

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**Figure 1. Number of Residential Buildings  
La Union: 2021 and 2022**

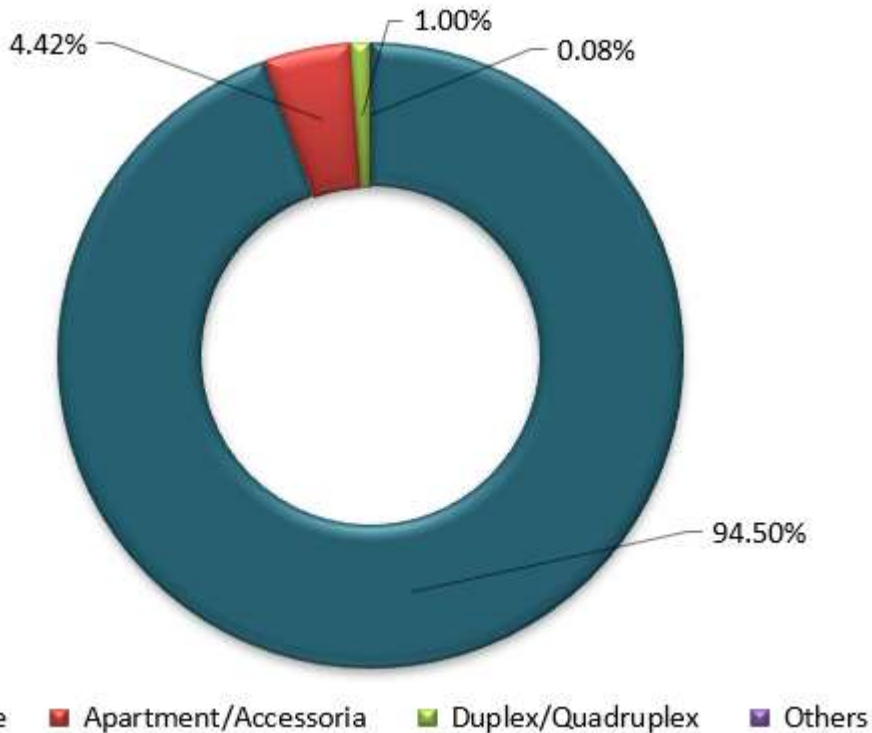
Residential type buildings were recorded at 3,617 constructions in 2022. This figure posted an increase of 22.73 percent from the 2,947 residential buildings reported a year ago.

**Table 1. Number, Floor Area and Value  
of Residential Buildings in La Union  
2021 and 2022**

Year	Number	Floor Area (sq.m.)	Value (PhP 1,000)
2021	2,947	251,069	2,617,195
2022	3,617	530,278	5,818,744

Source: Approved Building Permits (2021 and 2022)

The total value of all residential building constructions within the province reached PhP5,818.74 million with a total floor area of 530,278 square meters. This translates to an average cost of PhP10,973.01 per square meter.



**Figure 2. Percent Distribution of Residential Constructions by Type  
La Union: 2022**

Single-type residential units, comprising 94.50 percent of the total residential constructions, topped over all other types of residential constructions. This type of residential units covered a total floor area of 499,931 square meters and an aggregate value of PhP5,487.21 million. This translates to an average cost of PhP10,975.93 per square meter.

**Table 2. Number, Floor Area and Value  
of Residential Buildings in La Union: 2022**

Type of Residential Building	Number	Value (PhP1,000)	Floor Area (sq.m.)
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,617</b>	<b>5,818,744</b>	<b>530,278</b>
Single	3,418	5,487,209	499,931
Apartment/Accessoria	160	268,452	25,496
Duplex/Quadruplex	36	61,797	4,824
Others	3	1,285	27

Source: Approved Building Permits (2021 and 2022)  
Note: Data presented are preliminary

There were 160 apartment/accessoria recorded in 2022 with a total floor area of 25,496 square meters. It has an aggregate value of PhP268.45 million or an average cost of PhP10,529.18 per square meter.

Thirty-six (36) duplex/quadruplex residential constructions were recorded in 2022 or 0.99 percent of the total residential constructions in the province. It has an estimated construction value of PhP61.80 million with a total floor area of 4,824 square meters or an average cost of PhP12,810.32 per square meter.

**TABLE 3. Number, Floor Area and Value of Residential Buildings by City/Municipality, La Union: 2022**

Province/Municipality	Number	Floor Area	Value
		(sq.m.)	(PhP1,000)
La Union	3,617	530,278	5,818,744
Agoo	259	35,868	359,776
Aringay	132	15,016	150,608
Bacnotan	363	53,455	587,296
Bagulin	3	450	2,452
Balaoan	183	20,495	182,765
Bangar	68	9,697	111,532
Bauang	245	48,597	402,965
Burgos	2	253	2,032
Caba	54	8,022	103,749
Luna	222	25,270	310,003
Naguilian	414	52,344	558,780
Pugo	79	13,460	118,969
Rosario	320	37,570	404,739
City of San Fernando	822	156,921	1,910,255
San Gabriel	29	2,657	27,275
San Juan	195	26,146	306,803
Sto. Tomas	35	5,226	55,458
Santol	53	4,215	41,027
Sudipen	72	6,505	71,957
Tubao	67	8,111	110,301

Source: *Approved Building Permits (2022)*

Note: Data presented are preliminary

In La Union, the City of San Fernando occupied the top rank in terms of the number of residential constructions in 2022 with a share of 22.73 percent to the provincial total. It has an estimated construction value of PhP1,910.26 million with a total floor area of 156,921 square meters or an average cost of PhP12,173.35 per square meter. The municipality of Naguilian ranked second with a share of 11.45 percent (414 constructions) while municipality of Bacnotan ranked third with a share of 10.04 percent (363 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.

**Residential Building** is a building for which its major parts or more than half of its gross floor area is built for dwelling purposes. This type of building can be of the single type, duplex, an apartment and/or accessoria.

**Single House** is a complete structure intended for a single family or household, i. e. bungalow, two-storey house, nipa hut.

**Duplex** is a structure intended for two households, with complete living facilities for each; it is a single structure divided into two dwelling units by a wall extending from the floor to the ceiling.


**Apartment** is a structure, usually of several storey made up of independent living quarters, with independent entrances from internal walls and courts.

**Accessoria** is a one or two-floor structure divided into several dwelling units having their own separate entrances from outside.

**Other Residential Constructions** consist of school or company staff houses, living quarters for drivers and maids and guardhouses.

**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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