



SPECIAL RELEASE

ILOCOS REGION'S COMMERCIAL FISHERIES PRODUCTION DECLINED IN 3rd QUARTER 2021

(Results from the Fisheries Production Survey, 3rd Quarter 2021)

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The commercial fisheries volume of production in Ilocos Region was posted at 1,506.36 metric tons in 3rd quarter 2021. The output was lower by 29.66 percent than the level in 3rd quarter 2020 of 2,141.59 metric tons.

The decreased output of Pangasinan pulled down the overall commercial fisheries production of the region.

**Table 1. Volume of Commercial Fisheries Production by Province
Ilocos Region: 3rd Quarter 2021 and 3rd Quarter 2020**

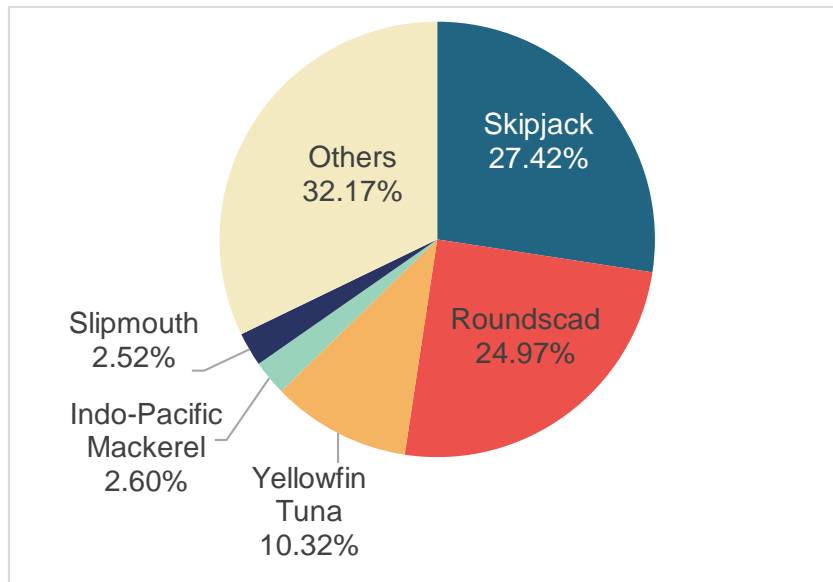
Item	Production (MT)		Growth Rate (%)
	3 rd Quarter 2021	3 rd Quarter 2020	
Ilocos Region	1,506.36	2,141.59	(29.66)
Ilocos Sur	95.07	76.84	23.72
La Union	352.18	318.26	10.66
Pangasinan	1,059.11	1,746.49	(39.36)

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 3rd Quarter 2021 Fisheries Production Survey



The top five major catch in the region during the 3rd quarter 2021 were skipjack, roundscad, yellowfin tuna, indo-pacific mackerel and slipmouth.

Figure 1. Percentage Contribution of Top Species to the total Commercial Fisheries Volume of Production Ilocos Region: 3rd Quarter 2021

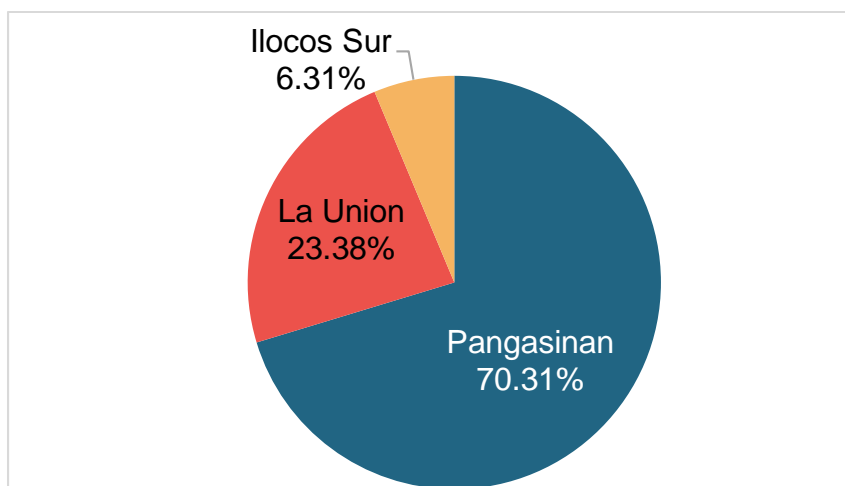


Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 3rd Quarter 2021 Fisheries Production Survey

In terms of provincial shares, Pangasinan accounted for 70.31 percent of the region’s commercial fisheries volume of production in 3rd quarter 2021.

However, the province recorded a production of 1,059.11 metric tons, lower than the output in 3rd quarter 2020 of 1,746.49 metric tons. Lesser fishing days and fishing trips were noted during the period.

Figure 2. Commercial Fisheries Volume of Production by Province Ilocos Region: 3rd Quarter 2021

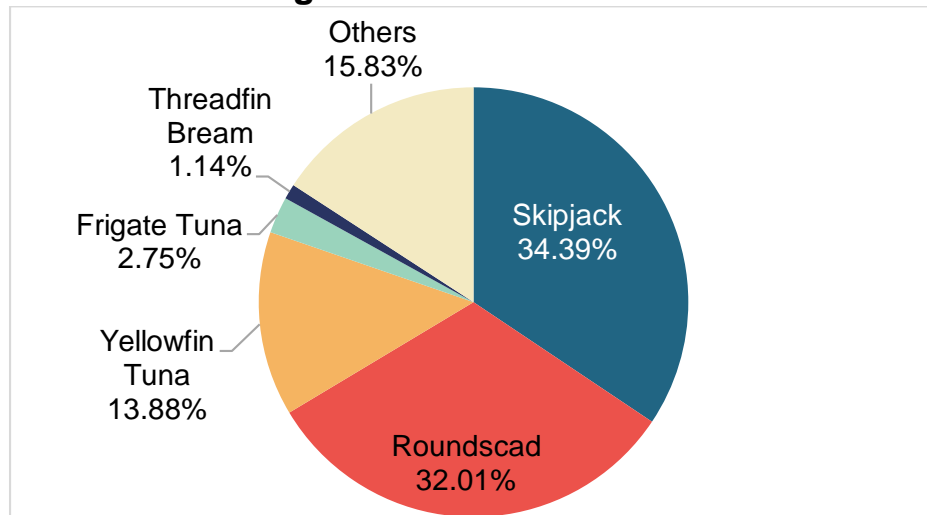


Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 3rd Quarter 2021 Fisheries Production Survey



The top five major catch in Pangasinan during the quarter were skipjack, roundscad, yellowfin tuna, frigate tuna and threadfin bream.

Figure 3. Percentage Contribution of Top Species to the total Commercial Fisheries Volume of Production Pangasinan: 3rd Quarter 2021

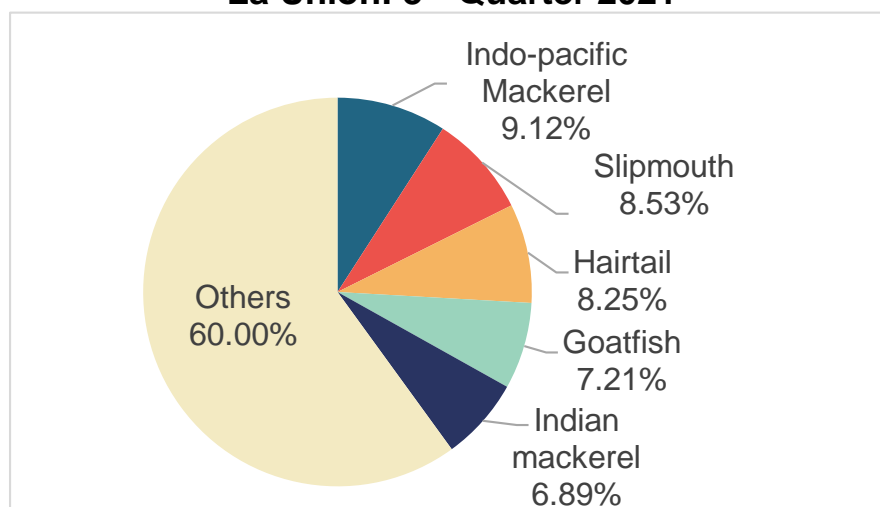


Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 3rd Quarter 2021 Fisheries Production Survey

La Union shared 23.38 percent to the total commercial fish catch of the region in 3rd quarter 2021. It posted increment in output of 10.66 percent. From the 318.26 metric tons recorded in 3rd quarter 2020, production grew to 352.18 metric tons in 3rd quarter 2021.

The top five major catch in La Union during the quarter were indo-pacific mackerel, slipmouth, hairtail, goatfish and indian mackerel.

Figure 4. Percentage Contribution of Top Species to the total Commercial Fisheries Volume of Production La Union: 3rd Quarter 2021

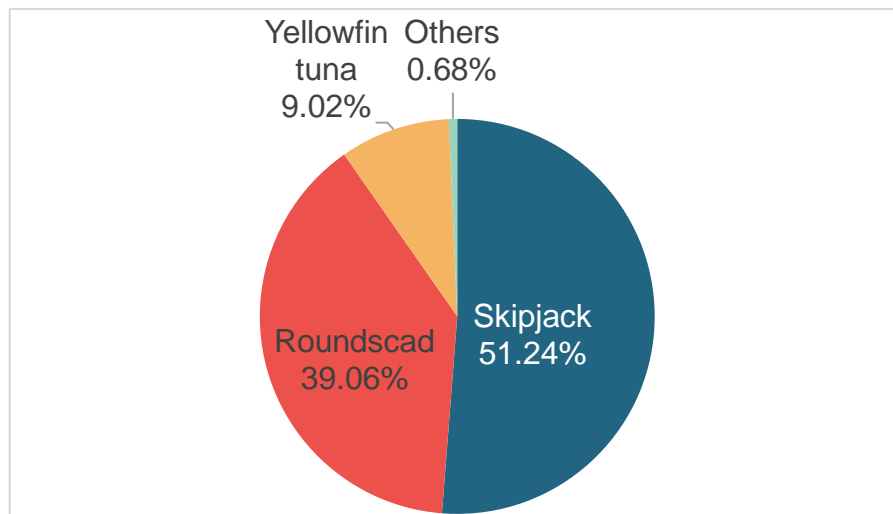


Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 3rd Quarter 2021 Fisheries Production Survey

Ilocos Sur contributed 6.31 percent to the total commercial fisheries volume of production in 3rd quarter 2021. Its production of 95.07 metric tons went up by 23.72 percent from the 76.84 metric tons output in 3rd quarter 2020.

Major species that contributed to the total output of the province include skipjack, roundscad and yellowfin tuna.

Figure 5. Percentage Contribution of Top Species to the total Commercial Fisheries Volume of Production Ilocos Sur: 3rd Quarter 2021



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 3rd Quarter 2021 Fisheries Production Survey

TECHNICAL NOTES

The Fisheries Production Survey of the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) is divided into four major fisheries surveys. These are the Quarterly Commercial Fisheries Survey (QCFS), Quarterly Municipal Fisheries Survey (QMFS), Quarterly Inland Fisheries Survey (QIFS) and Quarterly Aquaculture Survey (QAqS). The fisheries sector is composed of the three (3) subsectors, namely commercial, municipal fisheries, and aquaculture. The commercial and municipal fisheries surveys aim to provide quarterly data on volume and value of fish production by species, by region, and by province. The aquaculture survey is intended to generate quarterly data on volume and value of cultured species by environment, by type of aquafarm, by region, and by province.

Concepts and Definitions:

Commercial Fishing – the catching of fish with the use of fishing boats with a capacity of more than three (3) gross tons for trade, business or profit beyond subsistence or sports fishing.

Fisheries – all activities relating to the act or business of fishing, culturing, preserving, processing, marketing, developing, conserving and managing aquatic resources and the fishery areas including the privilege to fish or take aquatic resources thereof (RA 8550).

Fisheries Sector – the sector engaged in the production, growing, harvesting, processing, marketing, developing, conserving and managing aquatic resources and fishing areas.

Fishing Gear – any instrument or device and its accessories utilized in taking fish and other fishery species.

Fishing Grounds – areas in any body of water where fish and other aquatic resources congregate and become the target of capture.

Landing Center – a place where the fish catch and other aquatic products are unloaded and traded.

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