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ILOCOS REGION'S COMMERCIAL FISHERIES PRODUCTION GROWS IN 4th QUARTER 2021

(Results from the Fisheries Production Survey, 4th Quarter 2021)

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The commercial fisheries volume of production in Ilocos Region was posted at 1,350.88 metric tons in 4th quarter 2021. The output was higher by 23.55 percent than the level in 4th quarter 2020 of 1,093.39 metric tons.

The increased output of La Union and Pangasinan contributed to the positive growth of the commercial fisheries production of the region.

**Table 1. Volume of Commercial Fisheries Production by Province,
Ilocos Region: 4th Quarter 2021 and 4th Quarter 2020**

Item	Production (MT)		Growth Rate (%)
	4 th Quarter 2021	4 th Quarter 2020	
Ilocos Region	1,350.88	1,093.39	23.55
Ilocos Sur	41.13	54.10	(23.97)
La Union	516.09	333.69	54.66
Pangasinan	793.66	705.60	12.48

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 4th Quarter 2021 Fisheries Production Survey

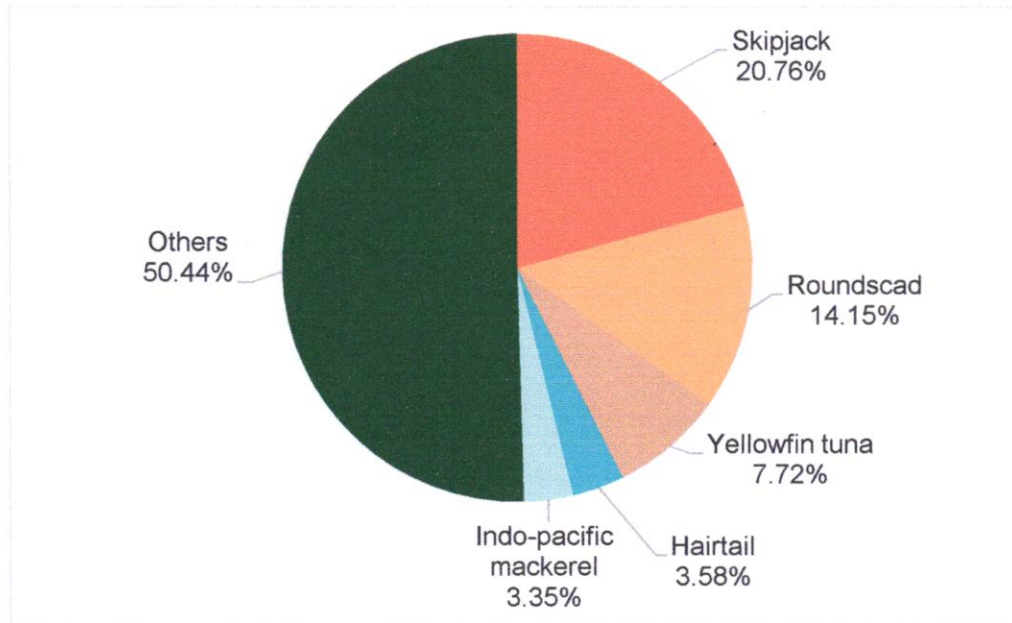


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The top five major catch in the region in 4th quarter 2021 were skipjack, roundscad, yellowfin tuna, hairtail, and indo-pacific mackerel.

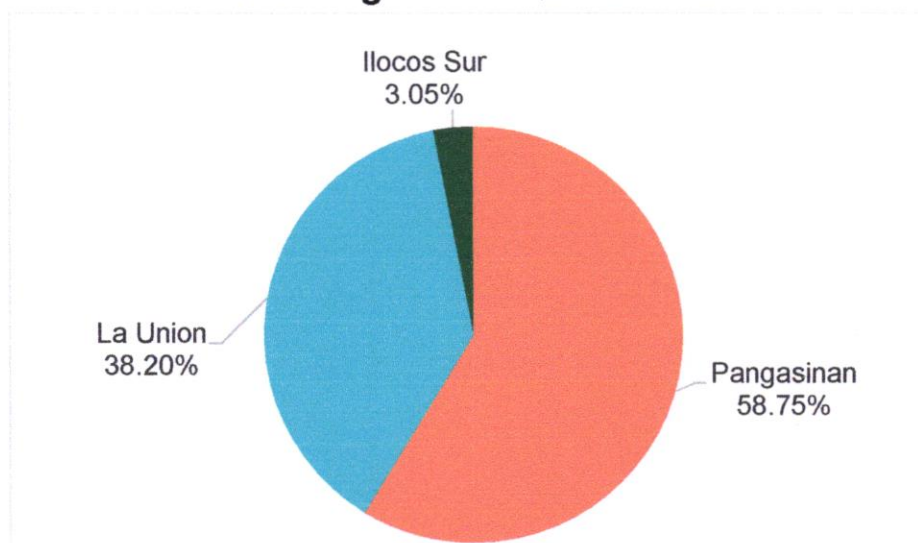
Figure 1. Percentage Contribution of Top Species to the total Commercial Fisheries Volume of Production, Ilocos Region: 4th Quarter 2021



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 4th Quarter 2021 Fisheries Production Survey

In terms of provincial shares, Pangasinan accounted for 58.75 percent of the region's commercial fisheries volume of production in 4th quarter 2021. The province recorded a production of 793.66 metric tons, higher than the output in 4th quarter 2020 of 705.60 metric tons.

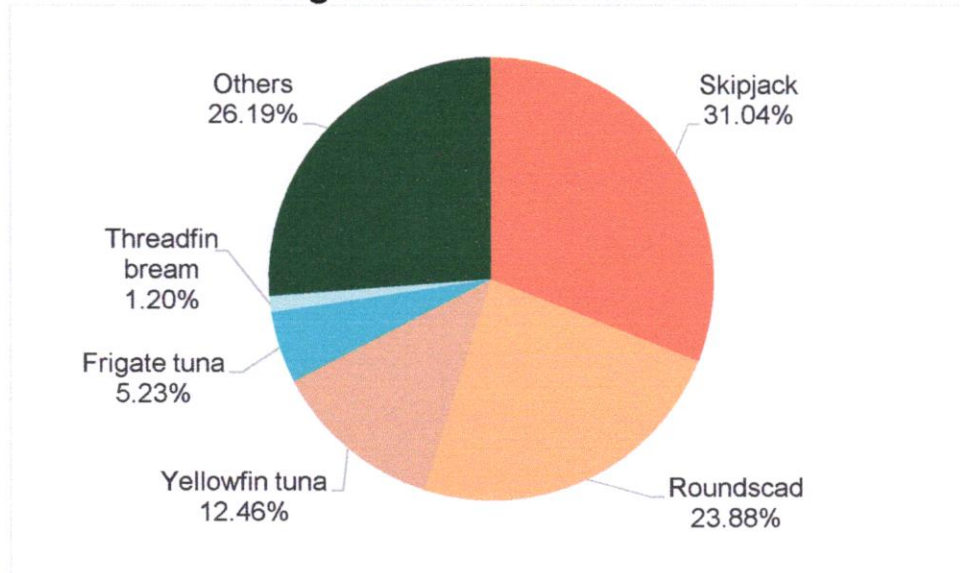
Figure 2. Commercial Fisheries Volume of Production by Province, Ilocos Region: 4th Quarter 2021



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 4th Quarter 2021 Fisheries Production Survey

In Pangasinan, the top species 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: 4th Quarter 2021



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 4th Quarter 2021 Fisheries Production Survey

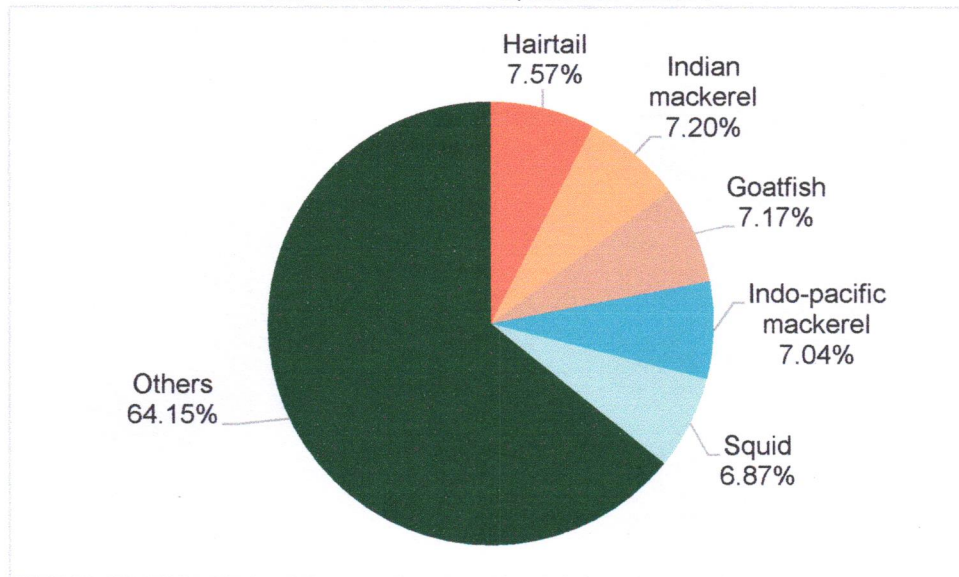
La Union shared 38.20 percent to the total commercial fish catch of the region in 4th quarter 2021. It posted increment in output of 54.66 percent. From the 333.69 metric tons recorded in 4th quarter 2020, production grew to 516.09 metric tons in 4th quarter 2021.

The major catch in La Union during the quarter were hairtail, indian mackerel, goat fish, indo-pacific mackerel, and squid.



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

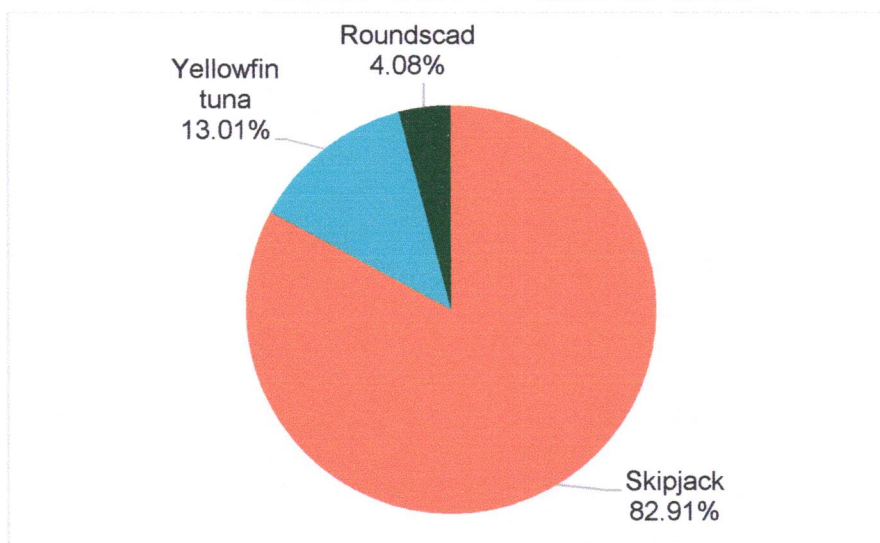


Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 4th Quarter 2021 Fisheries Production Survey

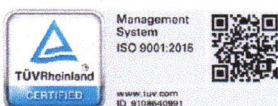
Ilocos Sur contributed 3.05 percent to the total commercial fisheries volume of production in 4th quarter 2021. Its production of 54.10 metric tons went down by 23.97 percent from the 41.13 metric tons output in 4th quarter 2020.

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

Figure 5. Percentage Contribution of Top Species to the total Commercial Fisheries Volume of Production, Ilocos Sur: 4th Quarter 2021



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 4th 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).

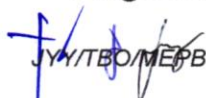
Fisheries Sector – the sector engaged in the production, growing, harvesting, processing, marketing, developing, conserving and managing aquatic resources and fishing areas.

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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