



SPECIAL RELEASE

Vital Statistics Birth in Numbers: August 2020

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Data on births presented in this release were obtained from the Certificates of Live Birth (Municipal Form 102) that were registered at the Office of the City/Municipal Civil Registrars and forwarded to the Philippine Statistics Authority - Provincial Statistical Offices in Ilocos Region. Information included births registered in August 2019 and in August 2020.

Registered live births in the region decreased

- The number of registered live births in Ilocos Region in August 2020 summed up to 6,099 with a decrease of 18 percent from August 2019.
- The daily average birth registration in the region for August 2020 was at 197 births, which was 18 percent lower than the daily average in August 2019.
- Generally, the daily average of birth registration in all provinces decreased from August 2019 to August 2020.
- The highest daily average birth registration in August 2019 and August 2020 was recorded in Pangasinan at 148 and 127, respectively. However, there was a decrease of 14 percent from August 2019 to August 2020.
- Ilocos Sur on the other hand posted a decrease of 29 percent on its daily average followed by La Union at 24 percent and by Ilocos Norte with a decrease of 15 percent.

**Table 1. Number and Daily Average of Registered Live Births
Ilocos Region: August 2019 and August 2020**

Region/ Province	Number		Daily Average	
	2020	2019	2020	2019
Ilocos Region	6,099	7,400	197	239
Ilocos Norte	668	814	22	26
Ilocos Sur	675	952	22	31
La Union	812	1,039	26	34
Pangasinan	3,944	4,595	127	148

Source: Preliminary results from the Decentralized Vital Statistics System

Pangasinan highest in terms of registered live births

- Pangasinan posted the highest number of registered live births in August 2019 and August 2020 with 4,595 births and 3,944 births, respectively.
- Pangasinan registered 65 percent of the total registered live births in the region for August 2020.
- La Union followed at 13 percent followed by Ilocos Norte and Ilocos Sur both at 11 percent.

Table 2. Number and Percent Distribution of Registered Live Births By Province, Ilocos Region: August 2019 and August 2020

Region/ Province	Number		Percent	
	August 2020	August 2019	August 2020	August 2019
Ilocos Region	6,099	7,400	100	100
Ilocos Norte	668	814	11	11
Ilocos Sur	675	952	11	13
La Union	812	1,039	13	14
Pangasinan	3,944	4,595	65	62

Source: Preliminary results from the Decentralized Vital Statistics System

Dagupan City tops in registered number of live births

- Among the cities/municipalities in the region, Dagupan City, Pangasinan had the highest registered live births in the region at 944 births.
- San Carlos City, Pangasinan followed at 650 then City of Urdaneta, Pangasinan with 438 births; City of San Fernando, La Union with 403 and City of Alaminos, Pangasinan with 379 births.
- There were 37 municipalities that recorded the lowest registered births ranging from 1 to 5. Of which, four municipalities registered five births each, four births for one municipality, another eleven municipalities with three births each, eleven municipalities having two births each and lastly, one birth each for ten municipalities.

Figure 1. Top Ten Cities/Municipalities with the Highest Number of Registered Live Births, Ilocos Region: August 2020



Source: Preliminary results from the Decentralized Vital Statistics System

Males outnumber females in terms of registered live births

- Males (3,152) outnumbered females (2,947) in terms of registered live births in August 2020, resulting to a sex ratio of 107 males per 100 females.
- Ilocos Sur and La Union posted sex ratios of 113 and 112, respectively which were higher than the regional ratio.
- Pangasinan and Ilocos Norte both posted sex ratios less than the regional sex ratio.

**Table 3. Number of Registered Live Births by Sex and by Province
Ilocos Region: August 2020**

Region/ Province	Both Sexes	Male	Female	Sex Ratio
Ilocos Region	6,099	3,152	2,947	107
Ilocos Norte	668	341	327	104
Ilocos Sur	675	358	317	113
La Union	812	428	384	112
Pangasinan	3,944	2,025	1,919	106

Source: Preliminary results from the Decentralized Vital Statistics System


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TECHNICAL NOTES

Vital statistics are derived from information obtained at the time when the occurrences of vital events and their characteristics are inscribed in a civil register.

Live birth is a complete expulsion or extraction from its mother of a product of conception, irrespective of the duration of the pregnancy, which after such separation, breathes or shows any other evidence of life, such as beating of the heart, pulsation of the umbilical cord, or definite movement of the voluntary muscles, whether or not the umbilical cord has been cut or the placenta is attached: each product of such a birth is considered live born.

