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FISHERIES SITUATIONER IN LA UNION 2ND QUARTER 2021

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La Union's fisheries production grows in 2nd Quarter 2021

La Union's total volume of fisheries production in 2nd quarter 2021 was recorded at 4,632.30 metric tons, an increase of 12.32 percent from the 4,124.28 metric tons production in 2nd quarter 2020. (Figure 1)

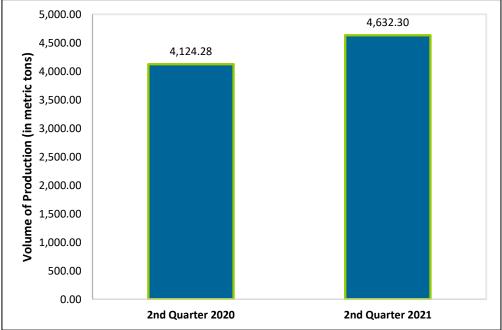


Figure 1. Volume of Fisheries Production La Union: 2nd Quarter 2020 and 2nd Quarter 2021

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

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Among the fisheries subsectors, aquaculture posted the largest contribution to the fisheries output in the province in 2nd quarter 2021 with a share of 3,651.00 metric tons or 78.82 percent of the total fisheries production of the province. Municipal fisheries ranked second with 711.94 metric tons contributing 15.37 percent to the total fisheries production of the province. Commercial fisheries had the smallest contribution to the



total volume of production in the province with 269.36 metric tons or 5.81 percent share. (Figure 2)

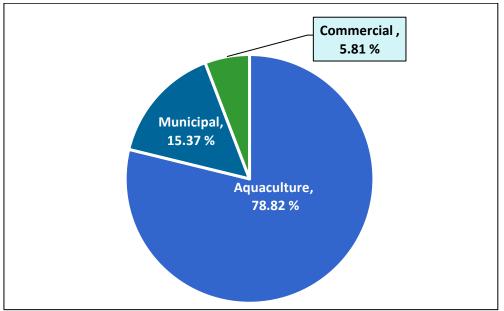


Figure 2. Percentage Distribution of Fisheries Production by Subsector La Union: 2nd Quarter 2021

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

In 2nd quarter 2021, the top five species in terms of volume of production were: milkfish (bangus) with 3,616.58 metric tons (78.07 percent share); slipmouth (sapsap) with 78.39 metric tons (1.69 percent share); threadfin bream (bisugo) with 70.72 metric tons (1.53 percent share); big-eyed scad (matangbaka) with 50.04 metric tons (1.08 percent share); and snapper (maya-maya) with 46.21 metric tons (1.00 percent share).

Municipal Fisheries

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The total municipal fisheries production in La Union increased by 4.10 percent from the estimated production of 683.93 metric tons in 2nd quarter 2020 to 711.94 metric tons in the same quarter of 2021. This subsector was comprised of 91.01 percent production from marine municipal fisheries and 8.99 percent production from inland municipal fisheries.

The volume of production from marine municipal fisheries went up by 17.68 percent from 550.57 metric tons in 2nd quarter 2020 to 647.93 metric tons in 2nd quarter 2021. Meanwhile, the volume of production from inland municipal fisheries dropped by 52.00



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percent from 133.36 metric tons in 2nd quarter 2020 to 64.01 metric tons in 2nd quarter 2021. (Figure 3)

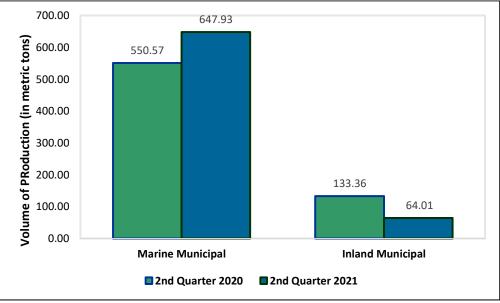


Figure 3. Volume of Municipal Fisheries Production by Subsector La Union: 2nd Quarter 2020 and 2nd Quarter 2021

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

Municipal fisheries data were gathered from administrative records of the Philippine Fisheries Development Authority (PFDA), Local Government Unit (LGU) - managed landing centers and traditional landing centers.

Aquaculture

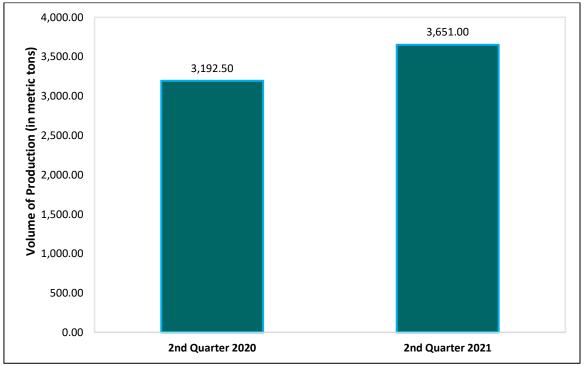
The aquaculture production in La Union was posted at 3,651.00 metric tons in 2nd quarter 2021. This translates to an increase of 14.36 percent from the 3,192.50 metric tons production in 2nd quarter 2020. (Figure 4)

Milkfish dominated the aquaculture production of the province in 2nd quarter 2021 with 3,615.17 metric tons. It was distantly followed by tilapia production with 17.67 metric tons. Milkfish production had a double-digit percent increase of 14.82 percent from 3,148.69 metric tons in the same period of 2020. On the contrary, tilapia production decreased by 2.38 percent from its 18.10 metric tons output in the same period a year ago.





Figure 4. Volume of Aquaculture Production La Union: 2nd Quarter 2020 and 2nd Quarter 2021



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

Commercial Fisheries

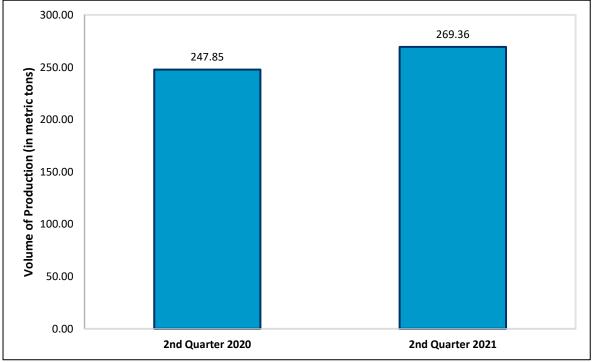
The volume of production from commercial fisheries was posted at 269.36 metric tons in 2nd quarter 2021. It went up by 8.68 percent compared with its level in the same period a year ago of 247.85 metric tons. (Figure 5)

Data for commercial fisheries were obtained from LGU-managed fish landing centers, privately-managed fish landing centers and traditional fish landing centers.





Figure 5. Volume of Commercial Fisheries Production La Union: 2nd Quarter 2020 and 2nd Quarter 2021



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

Value of fisheries production in La Union increases in 2nd quarter 2021

The total value of all fisheries production in La Union in 2nd quarter 2021 was PhP624,110.57. This is 16.48 percent higher than its value in the same quarter a year ago of PhP535,822.97.

In terms of value of production, aquaculture topped the three subsectors in 2nd second quarter 2021 with a share of 77.68 percent to the total value of fisheries production in the province. The remaining 22.32 percent of the provincial total value of production was contributed by municipal fisheries with 16.98 percent share and commercial fisheries with 5.34 percent share. (Figure 6)





All the three subsectors exhibited an increase in their respective value of fisheries production compared with their value of fisheries production in 2nd quarter 2020. Aquaculture recorded an increase of 16.13 percent from PhP417, 478.31 in 2nd quarter 2020 to PhP484, 832.58 in 2nd quarter 2021 while municipal fisheries grew by 20.84 percent from PhP87, 692.65 to PhP105, 970.88. Similarly, the value of commercial fisheries production also increased by 8.66 percent from PhP30, 652.01 in 2nd quarter 2020 to PhP33,307.11 in 2nd quarter 2021.

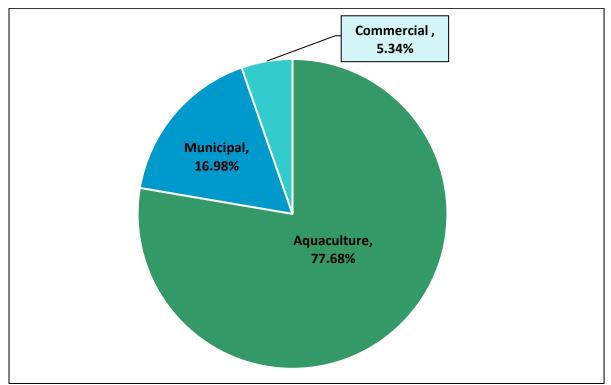


Figure 6. Percentage Distribution of Value of Fisheries Production by Subsector La Union: 2nd Quarter 2021

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority





TECHNICAL NOTES

Aquaculture is a fishery operation involving all forms of raising and culturing of fish and other fishery species in fresh, brackish and marine water areas. The operation is comprised of activities from stocking to harvesting of species under controlled conditions in farming facility called aquafarm.

Aquaculture Production refers to the volume harvested from the aquafarm. It includes those species harvested in marketable/matured size and in fresh form.

Inland Municipal Fishing – the catching of fish, crustaceans, mollusks and other aquatic animals and plants in inland waters like lakes, rivers, dams, marshes, etc. using simple gears and fishing boats some of which are non-motorized with a capacity of less than three gross tons, or fishing not requiring the use of fishing boats.

Landing Center is a place where the fish catch and other aquatic products are unloaded and traded. Traditional landing center is a type of landing center where fishermen could unload their catch and/or dock their fishing boats without any obligation or payment for the use of the place.

Quarterly Aquaculture Survey is a quarterly survey that generates estimates of volume and value of production per aquafarm type and species for the subsector.

Quarterly Inland Fisheries Survey is a survey on volume and price of fish by species, caught by households engaged in inland fishing. It gathers quarterly data with monthly catch from sample fishing households. Respondents are fishermen or any knowledgeable member of the sample household.

Quarterly Commercial Fisheries Survey (Traditional Landing Center) is a quarterly survey on the volume of fish unloading in traditional landing centers and the price of fish by species. It gathers data on a quarterly basis but the information that is collected is about monthly fish unloading.

Quarterly Commercial Fisheries Survey (Philippine Fisheries Development Authority (PFDA), Local Government Units (LGUs), Privately-Managed Landing Centers) is the gathering of data from the records of the PFDA, LGU and privately-managed landing centers. It is done on a quarterly basis but the information being collected is on each of the three months included in the reference quarter.

Quarterly Municipal Fisheries Survey (Traditional Landing Center) – is a survey on volume and price of fish, by species, unloaded by fishing boats three gross tons or less. It gathers quarterly data for the entire sample landing center with information on monthly fish unloading.

Quarterly Municipal Fisheries Survey PFDA, LGUs, Privately-Managed Landing Centers is gathering of data on volume and price of fish from administrative records of PFDA and LGU managed landing centers. It is done on a quarterly basis with information from three-month period.

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