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Non Residential Construction Statistics from Approved Building Permits
La Union: 3rd Quarter 2021
(Preliminary Result)

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Figure 1. Number of Non Residential Buildings
La Union: 3rd Quarter, 2020 and 2021



Source: Approved Building Permits (3rd Quarter 2020 and 2021)

Note: Data presented are preliminary

The total number of new non residential building constructions from approved building permits in 3rd quarter 2021 was recorded at 152, reflecting a decrease of 4.40 percent from 159 constructions in the same quarter last year.

Table 1. Number, Floor Area and Value of Non Residential Buildings
La Union: 3rd Quarter, 2020 and 2021

Quarter/Year	Number	Floor Area (sq.m.)	Value (PhP 1,000)
3rd Quarter 2020	159	61,598	785,773
3rd Quarter 2021	152	34,588	275,901

Source: Approved Building Permits (3rd Quarter 2020 and 2021)

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The total floor area occupied for the new construction projects also decreased by 43.85 percent from 61,598 square meters in 3rd quarter 2020 to 34,588 square meters in the 3rd quarter 2021. Moreover, the value of new construction



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projects was recorded at PhP275.90 million in the 3rd quarter 2021, posting a decrease of 64.89 percent from PhP785.77 million in the same quarter a year ago.

Agricultural 12.50%

Agricultural 75.00%

Commercial 75.00%

FIGURE 2. Percent Distribution of Non Residential Constructions by Type, La Union: 3rd Quarter 2021

Source: Approved Building Permits (3rd Quarter 2020 and 2021)

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Commercial-type building constructions posted the biggest proportion of non residential constructions with (114 construction projects) 75 percent of the total non-residential constructions. The total value of constructions for this type was estimated at PhP158.45 million covering a floor area of 21,978 square meters or an average cost of PhP7,209.53 per square meter.

Agricultural buildings distantly followed with 12.50 percent share to the total non residential constructions (19 constructions). Total value for this construction was estimated at PhP18.73 million with a total floor area of 3,948 square meters or an average cost of PhP4,744.43 per square meter.

Institutional buildings ranked third with 5.26 percent share to the total non residential constructions (8 constructions). Total value for industrial buildings was estimated at PhP70.39 million with a total floor area of 5,000 square meters or an average cost of PhP14,077.60 per square meter.

TABLE 2. Number, Floor Area and Value of Non Residential Buildings by City/Municipality, La Union: 3rd Quarter 2021

Province/Municipality	Number	Floor Area	Value
Province/municipality		(sq.m.)	(PHP1,000)
La Union	152	34,588	275,901
Agoo	7	1,485	22,078
Aringay	6	374	1,955
Bacnotan	14	4,168	17,258
Balaoan	1	24	192
Bangar	6	471	6,074
Bauang	5	2,816	19,585
Caba	4	1,281	16,078
Luna	2	152	1,136
Naguilian	24	818	4,891
Pugo	3	473	5,945
Rosario	5	2,521	13,257
San Fernando City	55	15,996	136,093
San Juan	14	1,803	14,340
Sto. Tomas	2	104	728
Tubao	4	2,102	16,291

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In La Union, the City of San Fernando occupied the top rank in terms of the number of non residential constructions in 3rd quarter 2021 with a share of 36.18 percent (55 constructions) to the provincial total. The municipality of Naguilian ranked second with a share of 15.79 percent (24 constructions) while Bacnotan and San Juan ranked third both with a share of 9.21 percent (14 constructions each).

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.

Non-Residential Building includes commercial, industrial, agricultural and

institutional buildings.

Commercial Building includes office buildings and all buildings which are intended

for use primarily in wholesale, retail and service trades; i.e. stores, hotels, restaurants,

banks, disco houses, etc.

Industrial Buildings are buildings which are used to house the production, assembly

and warehousing activities of industrial establishments; i.e. factories, plants, mills,

repair shops, machine shops, printing press, storage plant, electric generating plants.

Institutional Buildings are buildings which are primarily engaged in providing

educational instructions and hospital/health care; ports, airports and other government

buildings; i.e. schools, museums, libraries, sanitaria, churches, hospitals.

Agricultural Buildings are buildings which are used to house livestock, plants and

agricultural products such as barn, poultry house, piggeries, stables, greenhouses and

grain mill.

Other Non-Building Constructions include cemetery structures, street furniture,

waiting sheds, communication towers, etc.

Addition refers to any new construction which increases the height or area of an

existing building/structure.

Alteration refers to construction in a structure involving changes in the materials used,

partitioning, location/size of openings, structural parts, existing utilities and equipment

but does not increase the overall area thereof.

Repair refers to remedial work done on any damaged or deteriorated portion/s of a

structure to restore its original condition.

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,

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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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