

## SPECIAL RELEASE

## Vital Statistics Birth in Numbers: December 2021

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The total number of registered live births in Ilocos Region decreased by 0.7 percent from 7,146 in December 2020 to 7,099 in December 2021. Ilocos Sur and La Union contributed to the overall decrement of the registered live births in Ilocos Region.

Table 1. Total Number of Registered Live Births by Province Ilocos Region: December 2020 and 2021

Aroo	Dece	Percent	
Area	2020	2021	Change
Ilocos Region	7,146	7,099	(0.7)
Ilocos Norte	642	746	16.2
Ilocos Sur	866	850	(1.8)
La Union	1,202	1,027	(14.6)
Pangasinan	4,436	4,476	0.9

Source: Preliminary results from the Decentralized Vital Statistics System (DVSS)

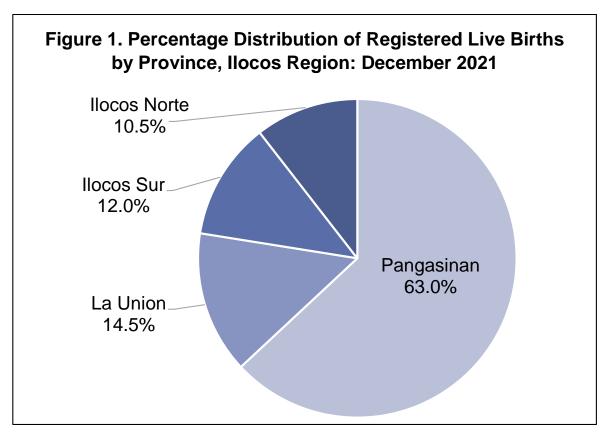
The province of Pangasinan recorded the highest number of registered live births in December 2020 and 2021 while Ilocos Norte posted the least number of registered live births in the same period of 2020 and 2021.

Figure 1 shows Pangasinan contributed 63.0 percent to the region's registered live births in December 2021. The province registered 4,476 live births, higher by 0.9 percent than the record in December 2020 of 4,436.

The province of La Union shared 14.5 percent to the total number of registered live births in December 2021, that is 1,027, or 14.6 percent lower than the recorded live births in the same period a year ago of 1,202.

llocos Sur which shared 12.0 percent to the total registered live births of the region in December 2021, posted decrement by 1.8 percent, from 866 recorded in the same period of 2020, live births decreased to 850 in 2021.

The province of Ilocos Norte contributed 10.5 percent to the total number of live births in December 2021. Its registration during the period went up by 16.2 percent, from 642 in the same period a year ago to 746 listed live births in December 2021.



Source: Preliminary results from the DVSS

Table 2. Daily Average of Registered Live Births llocos Region: December 2020 and 2021

Area	Daily Average of Registered Live Births			
	December 2020	December 2021		
Ilocos Region	231	229		
Ilocos Norte	21	24		
Ilocos Sur	28	27		
La Union	39	33		
Pangasinan	143	144		

Source: Preliminary results from the DVSS

The daily average birth registration in December 2021 in Ilocos Region was at 229 births. This is lower than the average birth registration in December 2020 of 231 births.

Pangasinan was observed to have the highest average daily births in December 2020 and December 2021 with 143 births and 144 births, respectively, llocos Norte on the other hand posted the least average daily births in the same period of 2020 and 2021 with 21 births and 24 births, respectively.

Table 3. Number of Registered Live Births by Sex and Province Ilocos Region: December 2021

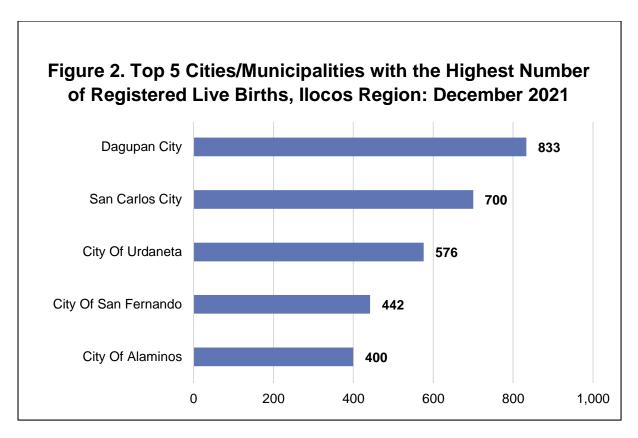
Area	<b>Both Sexes</b>	Male	Female	Sex Ratio
Ilocos Region	7,099	3,666	3,433	107
Ilocos Norte	746	382	364	105
Ilocos Sur	850	408	442	92
La Union	1,027	512	515	99
Pangasinan	4,476	2,364	2,112	112

Source: Preliminary results from the DVSS

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Males outnumbered females in terms of registered live births in December 2021. This data resulted to a sex ratio of 107 that translates to 107 males in every 100 females.

Pangasinan was noted to have the highest number of registered births for both male and female among the provinces in Ilocos Region.



Source: Preliminary results from the DVSS

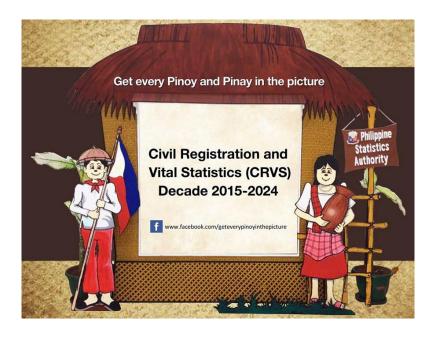
In Figure 2, among the cities and municipalities in Ilocos Region, Dagupan City, Pangasinan registered the highest number of total live births in December 2021 with 833 births. It was followed by San Carlos City, Pangasinan and City of Urdaneta, Pangasinan with 700 births and 576 births, respectively. The City of San Fernando, La Union had 442 births while City of Alaminos, Pangasinan recorded 400 births.

Note: 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 (PSA – PSOs) in Ilocos Region. Information included were births registered in December of 2020 and 2021.

## **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.



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