SPECIAL RELEASE

Vital Statistics Birth in Numbers: July 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 from July 2019 and July 2020.

Registered live births in the region decreased

- The number of registered live births in Ilocos Region in July 2020 summed up to 6,526 with a decrease of 20 percent from July 2019.
- The daily average birth registration in the region for July 2020 was at 211 births, which was 20 percent lower than the daily average in July 2019.
- Generally, the daily average of birth registration in all provinces decreased from 2019 to 2020.
- The highest daily average birth registration in July 2019 and in July 2020 was recorded in Pangasinan at 128 and 162, respectively. However, there was a decrease of 21 percent from 2019 to 2020.
- A decrease in daily average birth registration of 22 percent was observed in La Union followed by Ilocos Sur and Ilocos Norte both at 18 percent.

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

Region/	Number		Daily Average	
Province	2020	2019	2020	2019
Ilocos Region	6,526	8,161	211	263
Ilocos Norte	715	870	23	28
Ilocos Sur	836	1,011	27	33
La Union	1,003	1,262	32	41
Pangasinan	3,973	5,018	128	162

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 July 2019 and July 2020 with 3,973 births and 5,018 births, respectively.
- Pangasinan registered 61 percent of the total registered live births in the region for July 2020.
- La Union followed at 15 percent then Ilocos Sur at 13 percent. Ilocos Norte had the least share of registered live births in the region for July 2020.

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

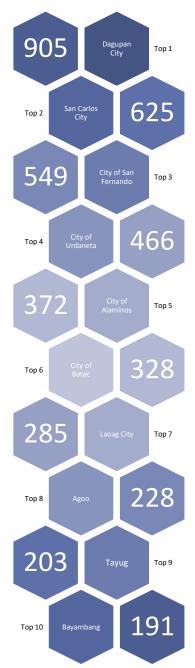
Region/	Number		Percent	
Province	July 2020	July 2019	July 2020	July 2019
Ilocos Region	6,526	8,161	100	100
Ilocos Norte	715	870	11	11
Ilocos Sur	836	1,011	13	12
La Union	1,003	1,262	15	15
Pangasinan	3,973	5,018	61	61

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, Pangasinan had the highest registered live birth in the region at 905 births.
- San Carlos City, Pangasinan followed at 625 then City of San Fernando, La Union with 549 births; City of Urdaneta, Pangasinan with 466 and City of Alaminos, Pangasinan with 372 births.
- There were 41 municipalities that recorded the lowest registered births ranging from 1 to 5. Of which, nine municipalities registered five births each, four births each for three municipalities, another eight municipalities with three births each, ten municipalities having two births each and lastly, one birth each for 11 municipalities.

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



Source: Preliminary results from the Decentralized Vital Statistics System

Males outnumber females in terms of registered live births

- Males (3,326) outnumbered females (3,200) in terms of registered live births in July 2020, resulting to a sex ratio of 104 males per 100 females.
- Pangasinan posted a sex ratio of 118 which was higher than the regional ratio.

- Ilocos Norte followed with a sex ratio of 107 and La Union at 103 males per 100 females.
- Ilocos Sur posted a sex ratio less than one hundred. This indicates that there were more females than males registered in the province.

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

Region/ Province	Both Sexes	Male	Female	Sex Ratio
Ilocos Region	6,526	3,326	3,200	104
Ilocos Norte	715	369	346	107
Ilocos Sur	835	416	419	99
La Union	1,003	508	495	103
Pangasinan	3,973	201	171	118

Source: Preliminary results from the Decentralized Vital Statistics System



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.

