



SPECIAL RELEASE

PALAY PRODUCTION IN WESTERN VISAYAS FIRST QUARTER OF 2022

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Explanatory Notes

This special release presents the Palay Production of Western Visayas for first quarter of 2022. The first quarter of 2022 data include the estimates of rice production, area harvested and yield for analysis which serve as basis for policy making and projects on palay. The data provided in this special release were taken from the latest available data of the Palay Production Survey (PPS) of Crops Statistics Division, Economic Sector Statistics Service, Sectoral Statistics Office of the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA). This information presented in this special release was taken from www.openstat.psa.gov.ph.

Western Visayas' 1st quarter 2022 Palay Production decreased by 1.99 percent

The total palay production of Western Visayas in the first quarter of 2022 was estimated at 646,288.48 metric tons (MT). It decreased by 1.99 percent or 13,089.52 MT less compared with the same quarter of 2021. On the other hand, the total area harvested in the 1st quarter of 2022 was estimated at 198,953 hectares (ha) which was 1.20 percent higher compared with the same quarter last year (Table 1).

Table 1. Total Palay Production and Area Harvested of Western Visayas:
1st Quarter 2021 and 2022

Palay	Q1 2021	Q1 2022	Percent Change (%)
Production (MT)	659,378.00	646,288.48	(1.99)
Area Harvested (ha)	196,570.00	198,953.00	1.21

Note: () – negative

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, Palay Production Survey (PPS)

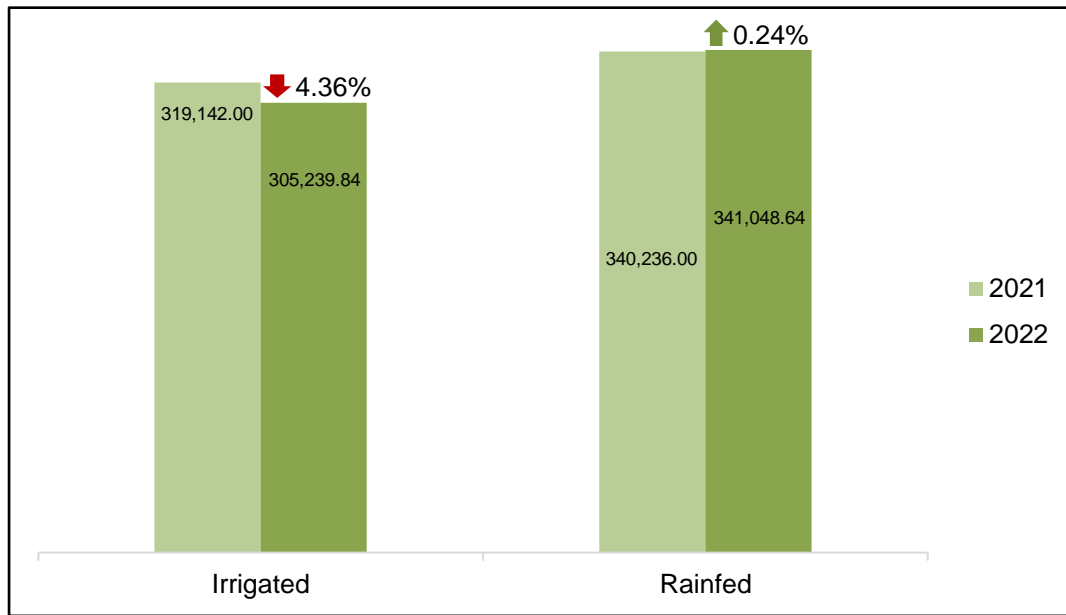


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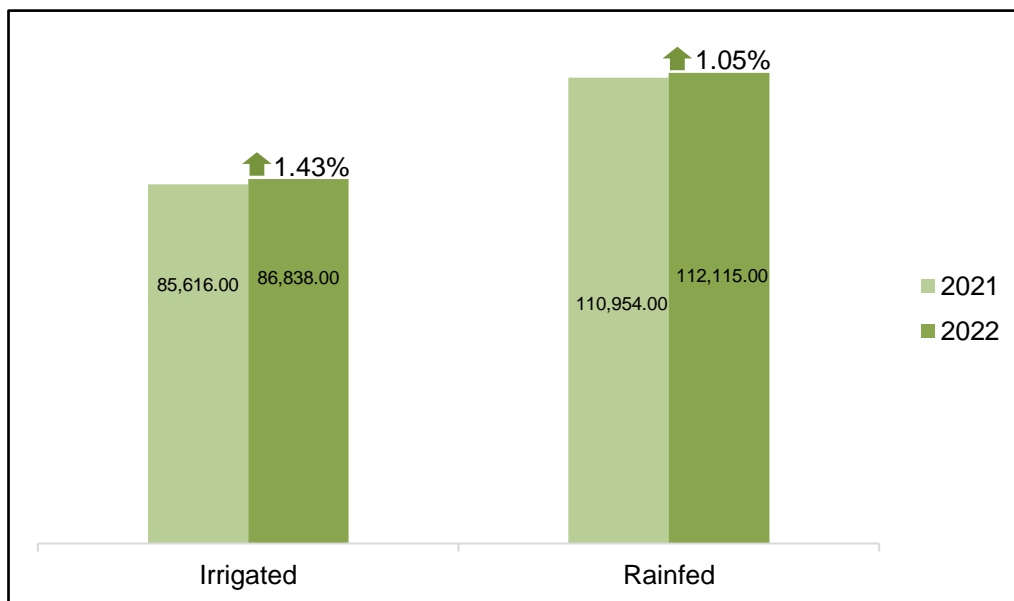
Figure 1. Palay Production of Western Visayas by Type of Ecosystem:
 1st Quarter 2021 and 2022 (in metric tons)



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, Palay Production Survey (PPS)

Total irrigated palay production in the 1st quarter of 2022 was estimated at 305,239.84 metric tons, decreased by 4.36 percent in comparison with the 1st quarter of previous year's production. In contrast, total rainfed palay production rose by 0.24 percent with 341,048.64 metric tons as compared to 2021's production of the same period (Fig. 1).

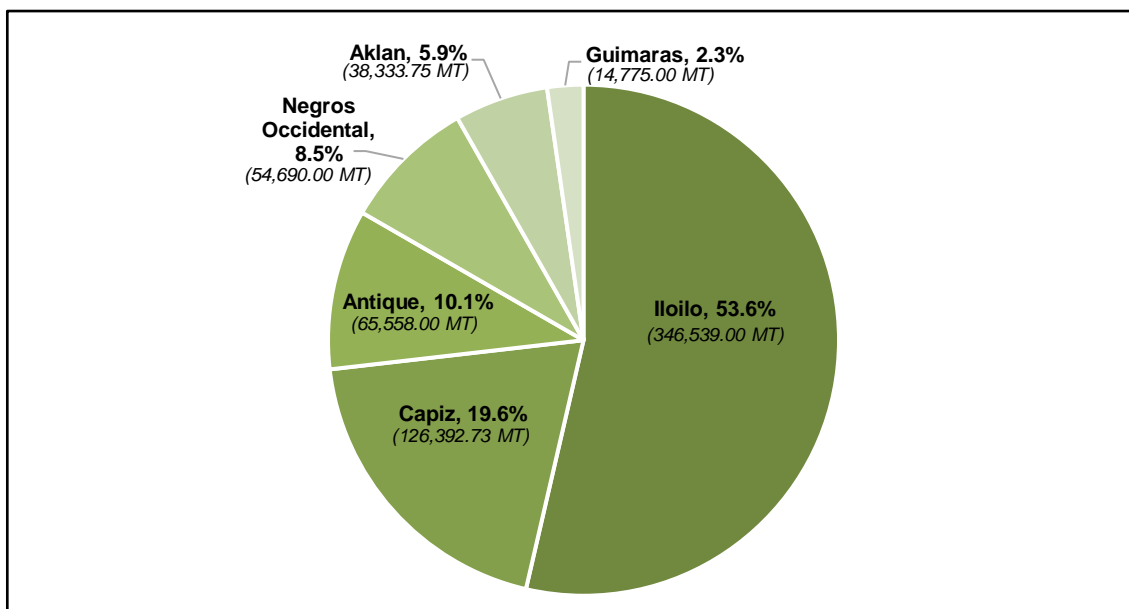
Figure 2. Total Area Harvested in Western Visayas by Type of Ecosystem:
 1st Quarter 2021 and 2022 (in hectares)



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, Palay Production Survey (PPS)

Irrigated and rainfed ecosystems increased by 1.43 percent and 1.05 percent or an expansion of 1,222 hectares and 1,161 hectares, respectively in the first quarter of 2022 in comparison to 2021's total area harvested of the same period (Fig 2).

Figure 3. Percentage Distribution of Palay Production By Province:
 1st Quarter 2022 (in %)



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, Palay Production Survey (PPS)

Among provinces in the region, Iloilo shared 53.6 percent to the total palay production in Western Visayas for the 1st quarter of 2021. This was followed by Capiz (19.6 percent), Antique (10.1 percent), Negros Occidental (8.5 percent), Aklan (5.9 percent) and Guimaras (2.3 percent) (Fig. 3).

Table 2. Total Palay Area Harvested by Province: 1st Quarter 2021 and 2022
 (in hectares)

Province	Q1 2021	Q1 2022	Percent Change (%)
Western Visayas	196,570.00	198,953.00	1.21
Aklan	10,567	13,283	25.70
Antique	17,150	17,502	2.05
Capiz	40,496	40,431	(0.16)
Guimaras	5,483	5,632	2.72
Iloilo	101,149	101,388	0.24
Negros Occidental	21,725	20,717	(4.64)

Note: () – negative

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, Palay Production Survey (PPS)

Compared to last year's total palay area harvested, Aklan (13,283 hectares), Antique (17,502 hectares), Guimaras (5,632 hectares) and Iloilo (101,388 hectares) reported higher total corn area harvested in the 1st quarter of 2022. Meanwhile, Capiz (40,431 hectares) and Negros Occidental (20,717 hectares) obtained lower total palay area harvested than their last year's area harvested of the same period (Table 2).

DEFINITION OF TERMS

Production- refers to the quantity produced and actually harvested of crop during the reference period. Estimates were taken from the Palay Production Survey.

Area harvested- refers to the total area harvested to palay during the reference quarter. It may be less than or equal to the total area planted to palay.

Area planted – refers to actual physical area planted.

Irrigated- refers to area with irrigation facilities supplying water through artificial means like gravity, force/power, pump, etc.

Rainfed- refers to area which has dikes that retain water and is solely dependent upon rainfall for its water supply.



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