

SPECIAL RELEASE

CORN PRODUCTION IN WESTERN VISAYAS FOURTH QUARTER OF 2022

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Explanatory Notes

This special release presents the Corn Production of Western Visayas for fourth quarter of 2022. The fourth quarter of 2022 data include the estimates of corn production area harvested for analysis which serve as basis for policy making and projects on corn. The data provided in this special release were taken from the latest available data of the Corn Production Survey (CPS) 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' Corn Production slightly increased by 1.70 percent

The total corn production of Western Visayas in the fourth quarter of 2022 was estimated at 61,968.42 metric tons (MT) which was 1.70 percent higher than the previous year's corn production. Moreover, the recorded total area harvested was 21,416 hectares (ha) which was 2.73 percent higher than the area harvested in 2021 of the same period (Table 1).

Table 1. Total Corn Production and Area Harvested of Western Visayas: 4th Quarter 2021 and 2022

Corn	Q4 2021	Q4 2022	Percent Change (%)
Production (MT)	60,931.80	61,968.42	1.70
Area Harvested (ha)	20,845.90	21,415.52	2.73

Note: () – negative

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, Corn Production Survey (CPS)

White and Yellow corn production increased in 4th guarter 2022

By corn type, total white corn production in the 4th quarter of 2022 was 16,933.79 metric tons, slightly increased by 1.60 percent in comparison with previous year's production. Similarly, total yellow corn production was 45,034.63 metric tons which was 1.74 percent higher than the 2021's production of the same quarter (Figure 1).

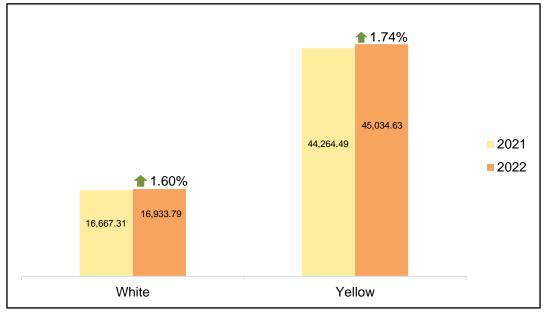


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Figure 1. Corn Production of Western Visayas by Type of Corn: 4th Quarter 2021 and 2022 (in metric tons)

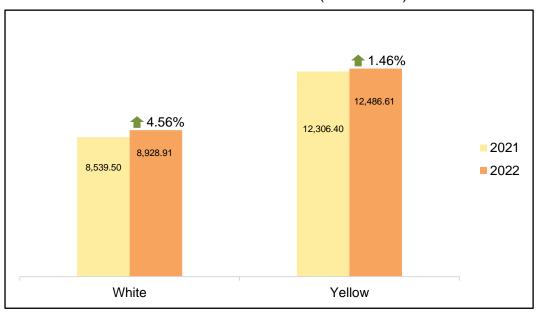


Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, Corn Production Survey (CPS)

White and Yellow corn area harvested expanded in 4th quarter 2022

Total white corn area harvested was 8,928.91 hectares in the fourth quarter of 2022, an expansion of 4.56 percent compared with 2021's area harvested of the same quarter. Similarly, total yellow corn area harvested was 12,486.61 hectares, slightly higher by 1.46 percent in the fourth quarter of 2022 as compared with 2021's total area harvested of the same period (Figure 2).

Figure 2. Total Area Harvested in Western Visayas by Type of Corn: 4th Quarter 2021 and 2022 (in hectares)



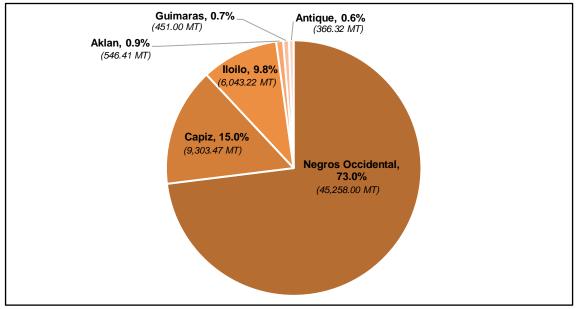
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Figure 3. Percentage Distribution of Corn Production By Province: 4th Quarter 2022 (in percent)



Note: Details may not add up to total due to rounding.

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, Corn Production Survey (CPS)

Negros Occidental tops regional corn production in 4th quarter 2022

Among provinces in the region, Negros Occidental had the highest share by 73.0 percent to the region's corn production for the 4th quarter of 2022. This was followed by Capiz (15.0 percent), Iloilo (9.8 percent), Aklan (0.9 percent), Guimaras (0.7 percent) and Antique with 0.6 percent (Figure 3).

Table 2. Total Corn Area Harvested by Province: 4th Quarter 2021 and 2022 (in hectares)

Province	Q4 2021	Q4 2022	Percent Change (%)
Western Visayas	20,846	21,416	2.73
Aklan	296	225	(23.99)
Antique	58	116	99.55
Capiz	1,384	2,017	45.74
Guimaras	125	148	18.40
lloilo	1,783	1,590	(10.82)
Negros Occidental	17,200	17,320	0.70

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Corn area harvested in most provinces increased in 4th quarter 2022

Compared with total corn area harvested in 4th quarter of 2021, four provinces in the region recorded growths in corn area harvested: Antique (99.55 percent), Capiz (45.74 percent), Guimaras, (18.40 percent) and Negros Occidental (0.70 percent). On the other hand, Aklan and Iloilo reported decreased corn area harvested of -23.99 percent and -10.82 percent, respectively.

DEFINITION OF TERMS

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

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

White corn- type of corn used primarily for human consumption.

Yellow corn- type of corn used generally as feed grains. It includes all types of corn other than white.

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