

SPECIAL RELEASE

CORN PRODUCTION IN WESTERN VISAYAS THIRD QUARTER OF 2023

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Explanatory Notes

This special release presents the Corn Production of Western Visayas for the third quarter of 2023. The third quarter of 2023 data includes the estimates of corn production and area harvested for analysis which serve as a 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 the 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' third quarter 2023 Corn Production decreased by 6.66 percent

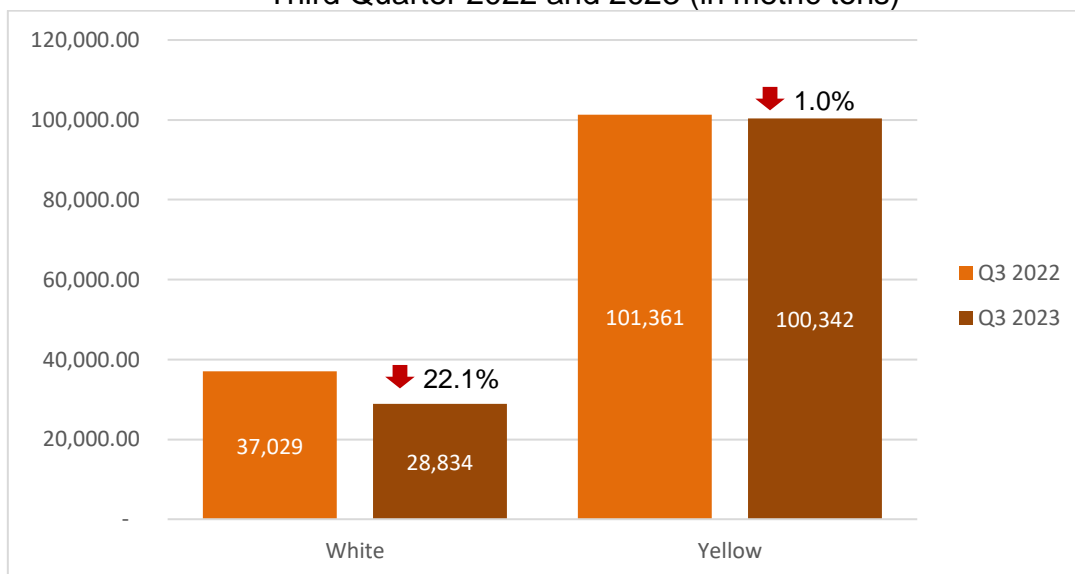
The total corn production of Western Visayas in the third quarter of 2023 was estimated at 129,176 metric tons (MT) which was 6.7 percent lower than the previous year's third quarter corn production. Similarly, the region's recorded total area harvested was 38,692 hectares (ha) which was 13.4 percent less than the area harvested in 2022 of the same period (Table 1).

Table 1. Total Corn Production and Area Harvested of Western Visayas:
Third Quarter 2022 and Third Quarter 2023

Corn	Q3 2022	Q3 2023	Percent Change
Production (MT)	138,390	129,176	-6.7
Area Harvested (ha)	44,662	38,692	-13.4

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

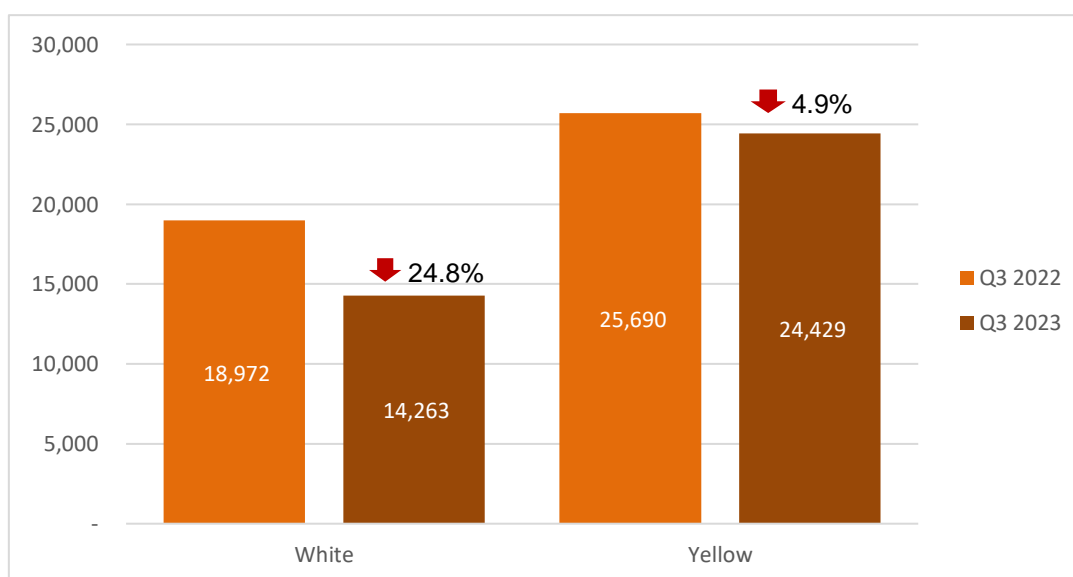
Figure 1. Corn Production of Western Visayas by Type of Corn: Third Quarter 2022 and 2023 (in metric tons)



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

By corn type, total white corn production in the third quarter of 2023 was 28,834 metric tons, which dropped by 22.1 percent in comparison with the previous year’s production. Likewise, total yellow corn production was 100,342 metric tons which is 1.0 percent lower than 2022’s production in the same quarter (Figure 1).

Figure 2. Total Area Harvested in Western Visayas by Type of Corn: Third Quarter 2022 and Third Quarter 2023 (in hectares)

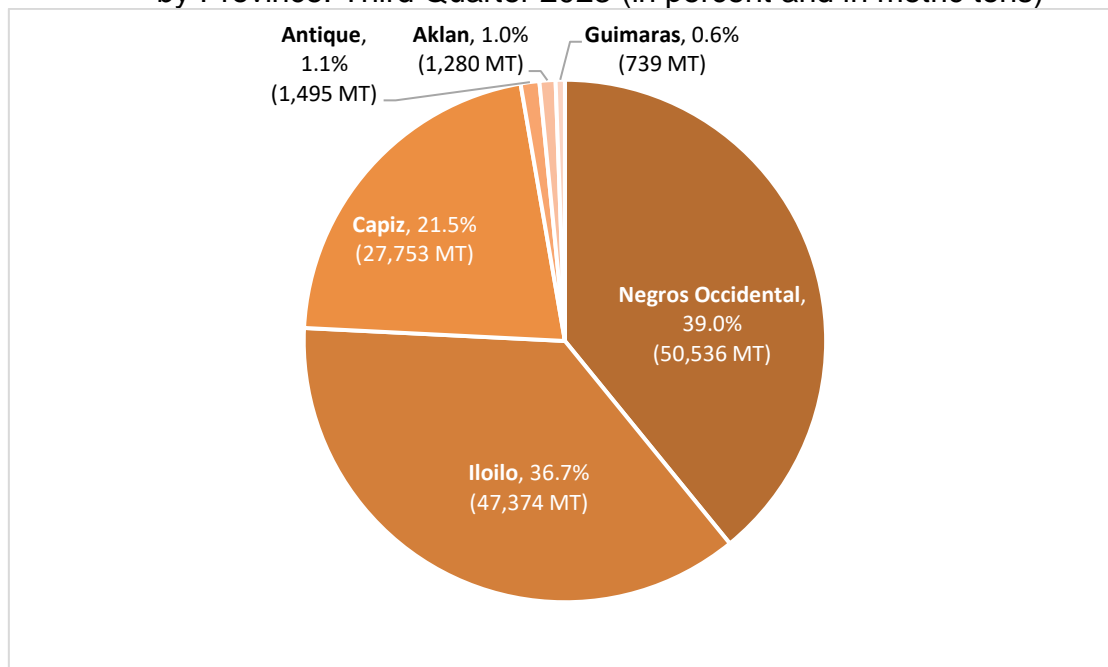


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The total white corn area harvested was 14,263 hectares in the third quarter of 2023, a decrease of 24.8 percent compared with 2022’s area harvested in the same quarter.

Similarly, the total yellow corn area harvested was 24,429 hectares, a decrease of 4.9 percent in the third quarter of 2023 as compared with 2022’s total area harvested for the same period (Figure 2).

Figure 3. Percentage Distribution of Corn Production in Western Visayas by Province: Third Quarter 2023 (in percent and in metric tons)



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

Among provinces in the region, Negros Occidental shared 39.0 percent of the region’s corn production for the third quarter of 2023, followed by Iloilo (36.7 percent), and Capiz (21.5 percent). Guimaras shared the least percentage with 0.6 percent of the region’s corn production (Figure 3).

Table 2. Total Corn Area Harvested in Western Visayas by Province: Second Quarter 2022 and Second Quarter 2023 (in hectares)

Province	Q3 2022	Q3 2023	Percent Change
Western Visayas	44,662	38,692	-13.4%
Aklan	387	436	12.7%
Antique	478	444	-7.1%
Capiz	5,439	5,903	8.5%
Guimaras	373	241	-35.4%
Iloilo	9,585	10,166	6.1%
Negros Occidental	28,400	21,502	-24.3%

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

Of the total corn area harvested in the region, Negros Occidental had the highest total area harvested with 21,502 hectares followed by Iloilo with 10,166 hectares. Aklan (436 hectares) had the highest increase at 12.7 percent in the total area harvested than their last year's area harvested in 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 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 corn.

Area planted – refers to actual physical area planted.

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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