



SPECIAL RELEASE

CORN PRODUCTION IN WESTERN VISAYAS FOURTH QUARTER OF 2024

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Explanatory Notes

This special release presents the Corn Production of Western Visayas for the fourth quarter of 2024. The fourth quarter of 2024 data includes the estimates of corn production and area harvested for analysis which serves 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' corn production drops by 17.1 percent in the fourth quarter of 2024

The total corn production of Western Visayas, estimated at 45,978 metric tons for the fourth quarter of 2024 declined by 17.1 percent against the total production of 55,456 metric tons in the fourth quarter of 2023. The region's total area harvested for corn decreased by 26.1 percent from 18,964 hectares in the previous year of the same quarter to 14,021 hectares in the current period. (Table 1)

Table 1. Total Corn Production and Area Harvested of Western Visayas:

Fourth Quarter 2023 and 2024^p

Corn	Q4 2023	Q4 2024 ^P	Percent Change
Production (MT)	55,456	45,978	-17.1
Area Harvested (ha)	18,964	14,021	-26.1

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

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White and yellow corn production declines in 4th guarter of 2024

By corn type, white corn production in the fourth quarter of 2024 was 15,430 metric tons, recording a decrease of 12.3 percent from the production last year of the same quarter. Furthermore, yellow corn production was 30,547 metric tons which is 19.3 percent lower than 2023's production of the same period. (Figure 1)





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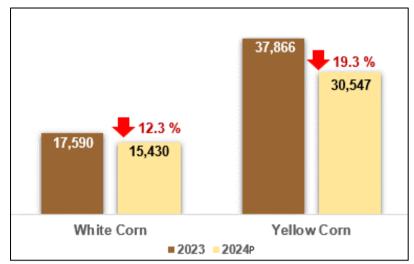
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Figure 1. Corn Production of Western Visayas by Type of Corn: Fourth Quarter 2023 and 2024^P

(in metric tons)



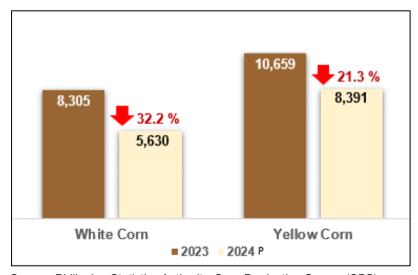
Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, Corn Production Survey (CPS) P – Preliminary

White and yellow corn area harvested decrease in 4th quarter of 2024

In the fourth quarter of 2024, about 5,630 hectares of the region's area was harvested for white corn with a decrease of 32.2 percent compared with the area harvested in the same quarter of 2023. Similarly, the area harvested for yellow corn was 8,391 hectares, a decline of 21.3 percent in the fourth quarter of 2024 compared to the area harvested in the same period. (Figure 2)

Figure 2. Total Area Harvested in Western Visayas by Type of Corn: Fourth Quarter 2023 and 2024^P

(in hectares)



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

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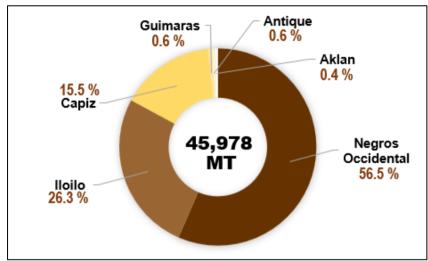
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Negros Occidental contributes more than half to the regional corn production in the 4th quarter of 2024

Among provinces in the region, Negros Occidental was the highest contributor to the region's corn production with 56.5 percent share in the fourth quarter of 2024. This was followed by Iloilo with 26.3 percent, Capiz with 15.5 percent, Guimaras with 0.6 percent, Antique with 0.6 percent, and Aklan with 0.4 percent share of corn production. (Figure 3)

Figure 3. Percentage Distribution of Corn Production in Western Visayas by Province: Fourth Quarter 2024^P

(metric tons)



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

Negros Occidental shares the highest reduction in the area harvested for Corn in 4th quarter of 2024

Three provinces in the region, namely Negros Occidental, Aklan and Antique recorded decreases in corn area harvested during the fourth quarter of 2024 compared last year of the same period, resulting to the overall decline in the regional corn area harvested of 26.1 percent. Among those provinces Negros Occidental had the highest share to the regional corn area harvested at 67.1 percent and a contribution of negative 29.9 percentage points to the regional decline. The remaining two provinces shared less than 1.0 percent each with a reduction of 0.4 and 0.2 percentage points.

Meanwhile, Iloilo shared the second-highest corn area harvested of 2,748 hectares or 19.6 percent share followed by Capiz with 1,535 hectares and Guimaras with 155 hectares, with corresponding growth rates of 30.4 percent, 10.1 percent, and 59.8 percent compared to the 4th quarter of 2023.

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Table 2. Total Corn Area Harvested in Western Visayas by Province:

Fourth Quarter 2023 and 2024^P

(in hectares)

Province	Q4 2023	Q4 2024 ^P	Percent Change	Percent Share	Percentage Point Contribution
Western Visayas	18,964	14,021	-26.1	100.0	-26.1
Aklan	156	82	-47.4	0.6	-0.4
Antique	134	98	-26.9	0.7	-0.2
Capiz	1,394	1,535	10.1	10.9	0.7
Guimaras	97	155	59.8	1.1	0.3
lloilo	2,108	2,748	30.4	19.6	3.4
Negros Occidental	15,075	9,403	-37.6	67.1	-29.9

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

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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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