

SPECIAL RELEASE

CORN PRODUCTION IN WESTERN VISAYAS FIRST QUARTER OF 2025

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Explanatory Notes

This special release presents the Corn Production of Western Visayas for the first quarter of 2025 excluding Negros Occidental consequent to Republic Act No. 12000, also known as “Negros Island Act”. The first quarter of 2025 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 grows by 2.5 percent in the first quarter of 2025

The total corn production of Western Visayas was estimated at 76,286 metric tons for the first quarter of 2025. It increased by 2.5 percent against the total production of 74,459 metric tons in the first quarter of 2024. On the other hand, the region’s total area harvested for corn decreased by 3.9 percent, from 16,388 hectares in the same quarter of the previous year to 15,752 hectares in the current period. (Table 1)

**Table 1. Total Corn Production and Area Harvested of Western Visayas:
First Quarter 2024 and 2025^P**

Corn	Q1 2024	Q1 2025 ^P	Percent Change
Production (MT)	74,459	76,286	↑ 2.5
Area Harvested (ha)	16,388	15,752	↓ - 3.9

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

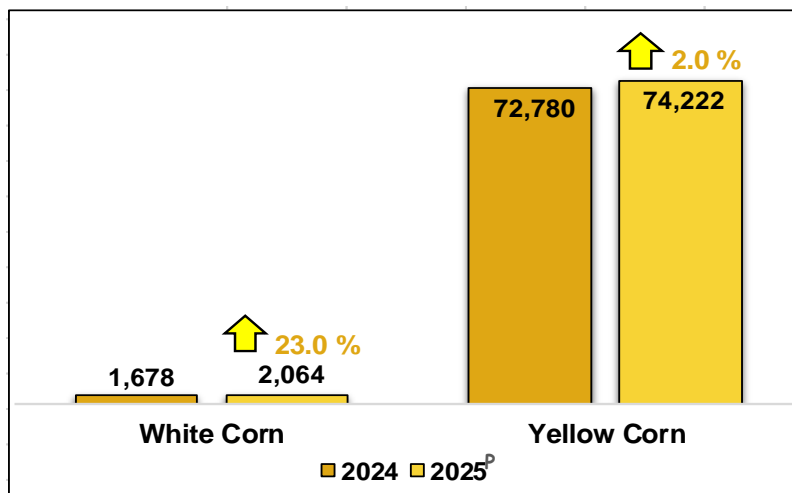
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More white and yellow corn production in the 1st quarter of 2025

By corn type, both white and yellow corn production posted an increase in the first quarter of 2025. White corn production was estimated at 2,064 metric tons in the

current period, up from 1,678 in the same quarter of the previous year. Meanwhile, yellow corn production reached 74,222 metric tons, which is 2.0 percent higher than 2024's first quarter harvest of 72,780 metric tons. (Figure 1)

Figure 1. Corn Production of Western Visayas by Type of Corn:
First Quarter 2024 and 2025^P
(in metric tons)



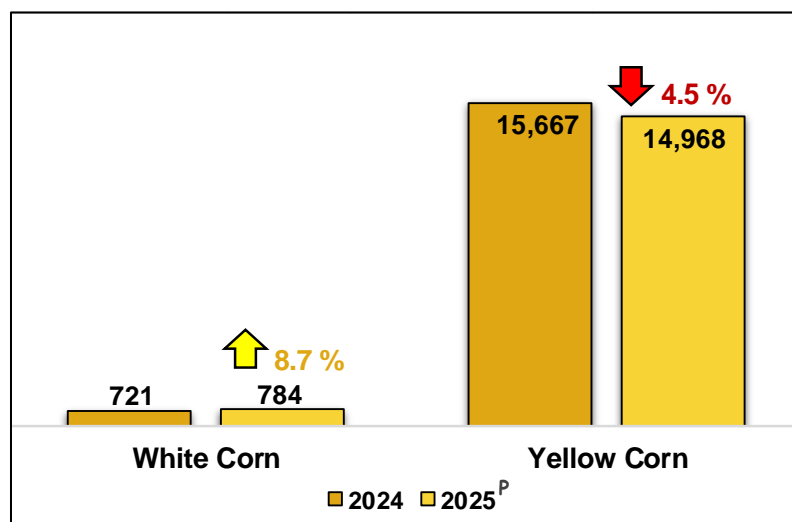
Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, Corn Production Survey (CPS)

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Yellow corn area harvested declines by 4.5 percent in 1st quarter of 2025

In the first quarter of 2025, about 14,968 hectares of the region's area was harvested for yellow corn, down from 15,667 hectares during the same quarter last year. This indicates a 4.5 percent decrease compared to same reference period in 2024. In contrast, the area harvested for white corn, estimated at 784 hectares, expanded by 8.7 percent. (Figure 2)

Figure 2. Total Area Harvested in Western Visayas by Type of Corn:
First Quarter 2024 and 2025^P
(in hectares)



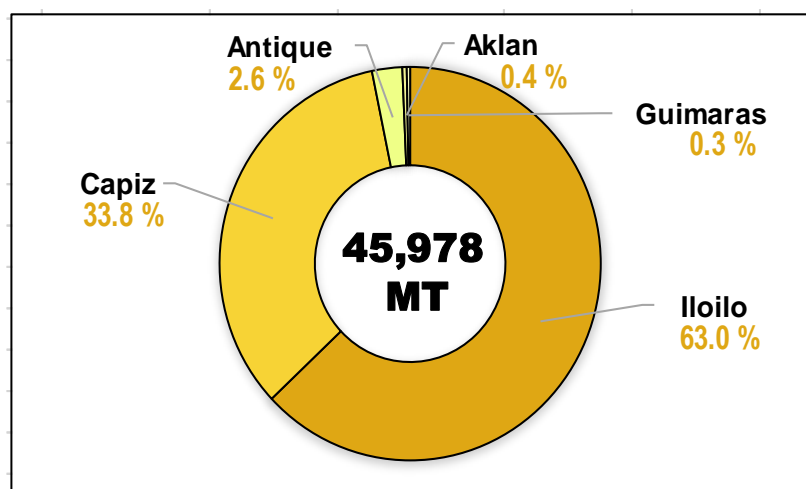
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Iloilo leads the regional corn production in the 1st quarter of 2025

Of the 45,978 metric tons of corn output in the region, Iloilo was the highest contributor, accounting for almost three-fourths or 63.0 percent. Capiz followed with 33.8 percent. Those two aforementioned provinces alone represent 96.8 percent of the regional corn production. Antique shared 2.6 percent while Aklan and Guimaras contributed 0.4, and 0.3 percent, respectively. (Figure 3)

Figure 3. Percentage Distribution of Corn Production in Western Visayas by Province: First Quarter 2025^P
(metric tons)



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, Corn Production Survey (CPS)
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Capiz shares the highest reduction in the area harvested for Corn in 1st quarter of 2025

Three provinces in the region, namely Aklan, Capiz and Iloilo recorded decreases in corn area harvested during the first quarter of 2025 compared last year of the same period, resulting to the overall decline of 3.9 percent in the regional corn area harvested. Among those provinces Capiz shared the highest reduction of 3.2 percentage points to the total corn area harvested. Aklan and Iloilo shared negative 0.2 and 0.7 percentage points, respectively.

Meanwhile, Iloilo contributed the highest corn area harvested of 9,776 hectares or 62.1 percent share, followed by Capiz with 5,298 hectares or 33.6 percent, and Antique with 444 hectares or 2.8 percent share. The rest of the provinces each shared less than 0.9 percent. (Table 2)

Table 2. Total Corn Area Harvested in Western Visayas by Province:**First Quarter 2024 and 2025^P**

(in hectares)

Province	Q1 2024	Q1 2025 ^P	Percent Change	Percent Share	Percentage Point Contribution
Western Visayas	16,388	15,752	- 3.9	100.0	- 3.9
Aklan	135	109	- 19.3	0.7	- 0.2
Antique	440	444	0.9	2.8	0.0
Capiz	5,825	5,298	- 9.0	33.6	- 3.2
Guimaras	95	125	31.6	0.8	0.2
Iloilo	9,893	9,776	- 1.2	62.1	- 0.7

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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