

SPECIAL RELEASE

Livestock and Poultry Statistics in Western Visayas: First Quarter of 2025

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Explanatory Notes

This special release presents the preliminary results of the First Quarter 2025 Livestock and Poultry Volume of Production and Inventory of Western Visayas excluding Negros Occidental consequent to RA No. 12000, also known as “Negros Island Act”. The first quarter 2024 data were also included to analyze the changes and compare the region’s livestock and poultry volume of production and inventory. The information in this special release was obtained from www.openstat.psa.gov.ph, analyzed, and presented in tables and charts.

Lower Cattle and Hog production in the first quarter of 2025

The production of Cattle and Hog in Western Visayas declined in the first quarter of 2025 compared to the same period in 2024.

Cattle production declined by 11.6 percent, recording 3,226 metric tons in the current period from 3,648 metric tons in the previous year of the same period. Hog production also dropped by 1.2 percent or 171 metric tons lesser than the first quarter of 2024.

In contrast, Carabao production showed an increase of 4.2 percent, rising from 1,894 metric tons in the first quarter of 2024 to 1,974 metric tons in the same quarter of 2025. Further, Goat production increased by 1.2 percent from 791 metric tons in the first quarter of 2024 to 801 metric tons in the same period of the current year.

Table 1. Livestock Volume of Production by Animal Type,
Western Visayas: First Quarter 2024 and 2025^P (in metric tons)

Commodity (liveweight)	Q1 2024	Q1 2025	Percent Change
Carabao	1,894	1,974	↑ 4.2
Cattle	3,648	3,226	↓ (11.6)
Hog	13,940	13,769	↓ (1.2)
Goat	791	801	↑ 1.2

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, www.openstat.psa.gov.ph

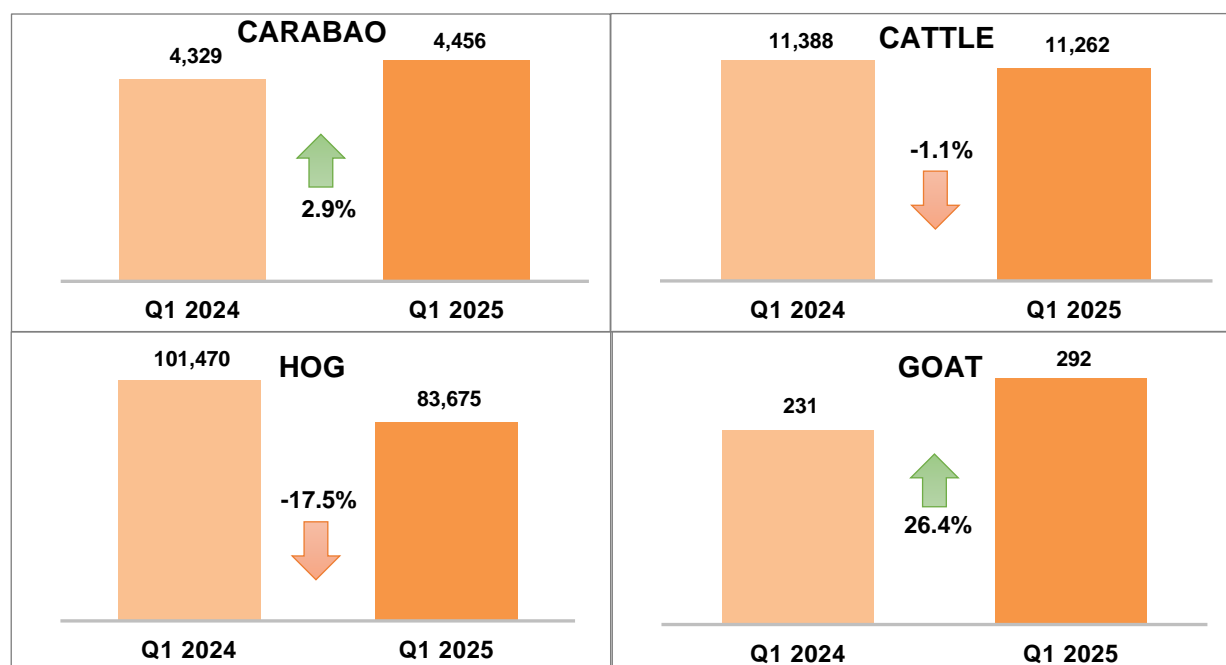
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Lesser Cattle and Hogs slaughtering in slaughterhouses in the first quarter of 2025

In the first quarter of 2025, about 11,262 heads of Cattle were slaughtered in slaughterhouses in Western Visayas with a decrease of 1.1 percent or a difference of 126 heads from the same period last year. Likewise, 83,675 heads of Hogs were slaughtered, resulting in a decline of 17.5 percent from the previous year of the same quarter.

On the other hand, there was an increase of 2.9 percent in the slaughtering of Carabao in slaughterhouses compared to the same quarter of the preceding year. Further, Goats slaughtered in slaughterhouses recorded an increase of 26.4 percent or 61 heads more compared to the same period last year. (Figure 1)

Figure 1. Livestock Slaughtered in Slaughterhouses, Western Visayas: First Quarter 2024 and 2025^P (in heads)



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, www.openstat.gov.ph

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Iloilo contributes the largest share to the Region's Livestock inventories

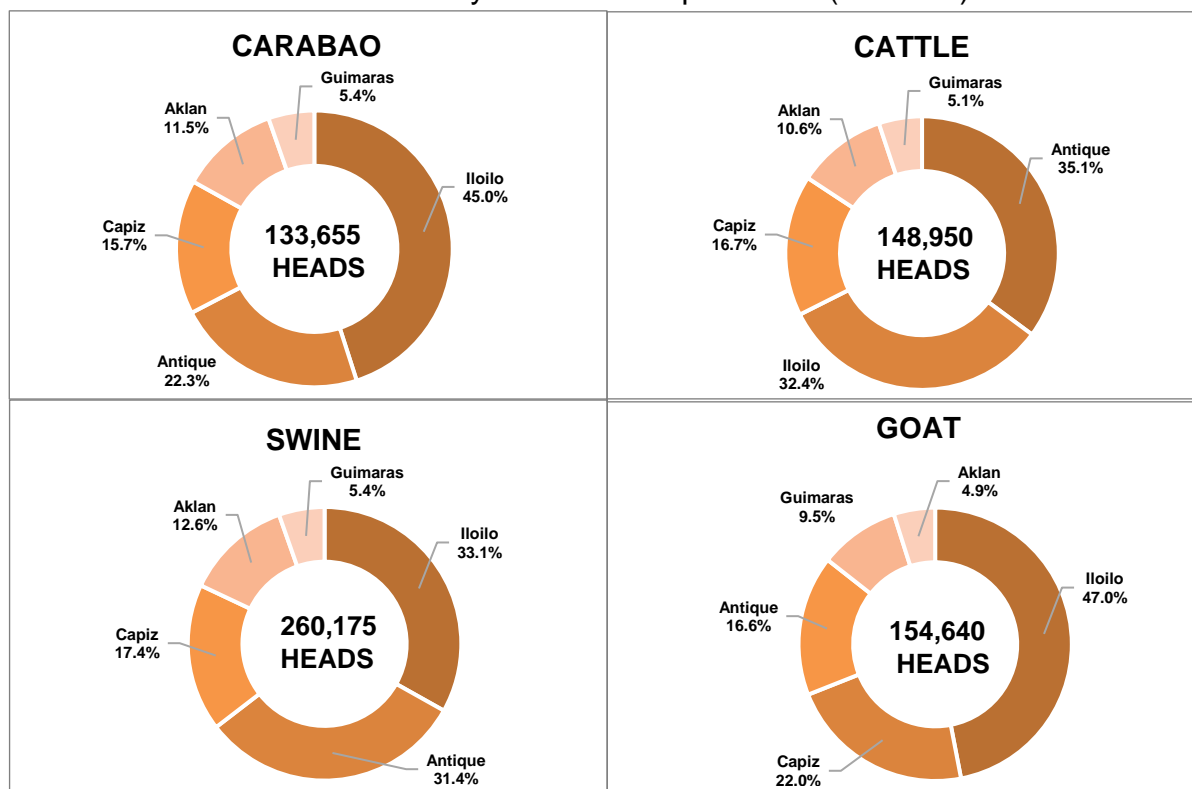
As of 01 April 2025, Iloilo held the largest share to the total livestock population in Western Visayas:

- Carabao: 45.0 percent of the regional total (60,210 heads out of 133,655 heads).
- Cattle: 32.4 percent (48,327 heads out of 148,950 heads).
- Swine: 33.1 percent (86,182 heads of the region's 260,175 heads).
- Goat: 47.0 percent (72,623 heads out of 154,640 heads).

Meanwhile, Antique and Capiz followed as key contributors. Antique accounted for 22.3 percent of the Carabao inventory; 35.1 percent of the Cattle inventory;

31.4 percent of the Swine inventory; and 16.6 percent of the Goat inventory. Meanwhile, Capiz held 15.7 percent for Carabao; 16.7 percent share for Cattle; 17.4 percent for Swine inventory; and 22.0 percent of the Goat inventory. (Figure 2)

Figure 2. Percent Distribution of Livestock Inventory by Animal Type and by Province, Western Visayas: as of 01 April 2025^P (in heads)



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Duck and Chicken Eggs production increase in the first quarter of 2025

The production of Duck and Chicken eggs in Western Visayas increased in the first quarter of 2025 compared to the same period in 2024.

Duck production grew by 20.2 percent, reaching 640 metric tons, while chicken egg production rose by 10.5 percent, totaling 8,234 metric tons.

In contrast, Chicken production declined by 2.2 percent, recording 24,127 metric tons, which was 541 metric tons lower than in the first quarter of 2024. Similarly, Duck egg production dropped by 5.5 percent, decreasing from 605 metric tons in the first quarter of 2024 to 572 metric tons in the same quarter this year. (Table 2)

Table 2. Poultry and Eggs Volume of Production by Poultry Type,
Western Visayas: First Quarter 2024 and 2025^P (in metric tons)

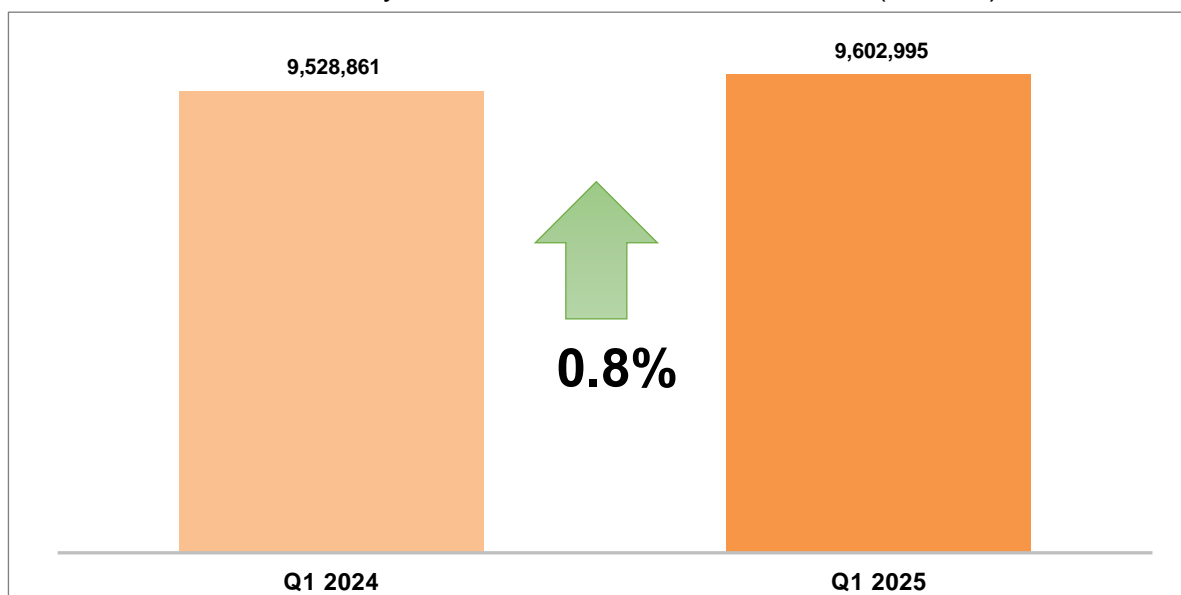
Poultry type	Q1 2024	Q1 2025	Percent Change
Chicken (liveweight)	24,668	24,127	↓ (2.2)
Duck (liveweight)	533	640	↑ 20.2
Chicken Eggs	7,452	8,234	↑ 10.5
Duck Eggs	605	572	↓ (5.5)

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, www.openstat.gov.ph
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Chickens dressed in Poultry Dressing Plants in Western Visayas reach over 9.6M birds

In the first quarter of 2025, the number of Chickens dressed in poultry dressing plants reached 9,602,995 birds. There was an increase of 74,134 birds or 0.8 percent from the same period in 2024.

Figure 3. Chickens Dressed in Poultry Dressing Plants,
Western Visayas: First Quarter 2024 and 2025^P (in birds)

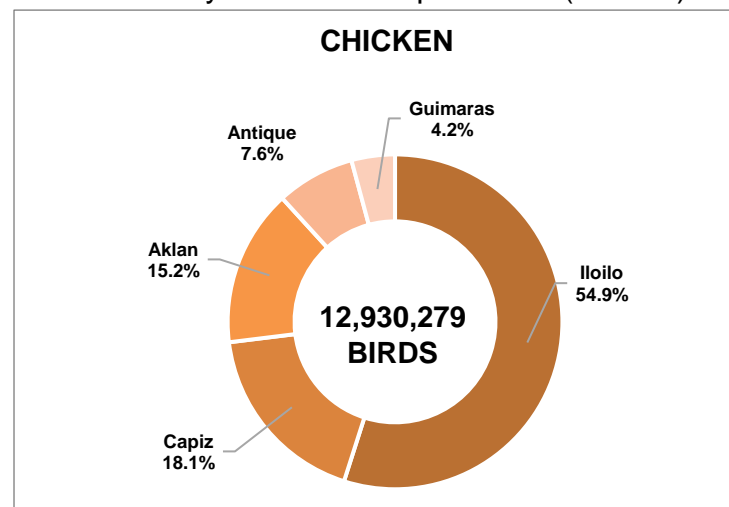


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Iloilo and Capiz lead Western Visayas in Chicken Inventory

As of 01 April 2025, Western Visayas recorded a total Chicken Inventory of 12,930,279 birds, with Iloilo and Capiz as the top contributors. Iloilo accounted for 54.9 percent of the total chicken population, while Capiz followed with 18.1 percent. (Figure 4)

Figure 4. Percent Distribution of Chicken Inventory by Province, Western Visayas: as of 01 April 2025^P (in birds)



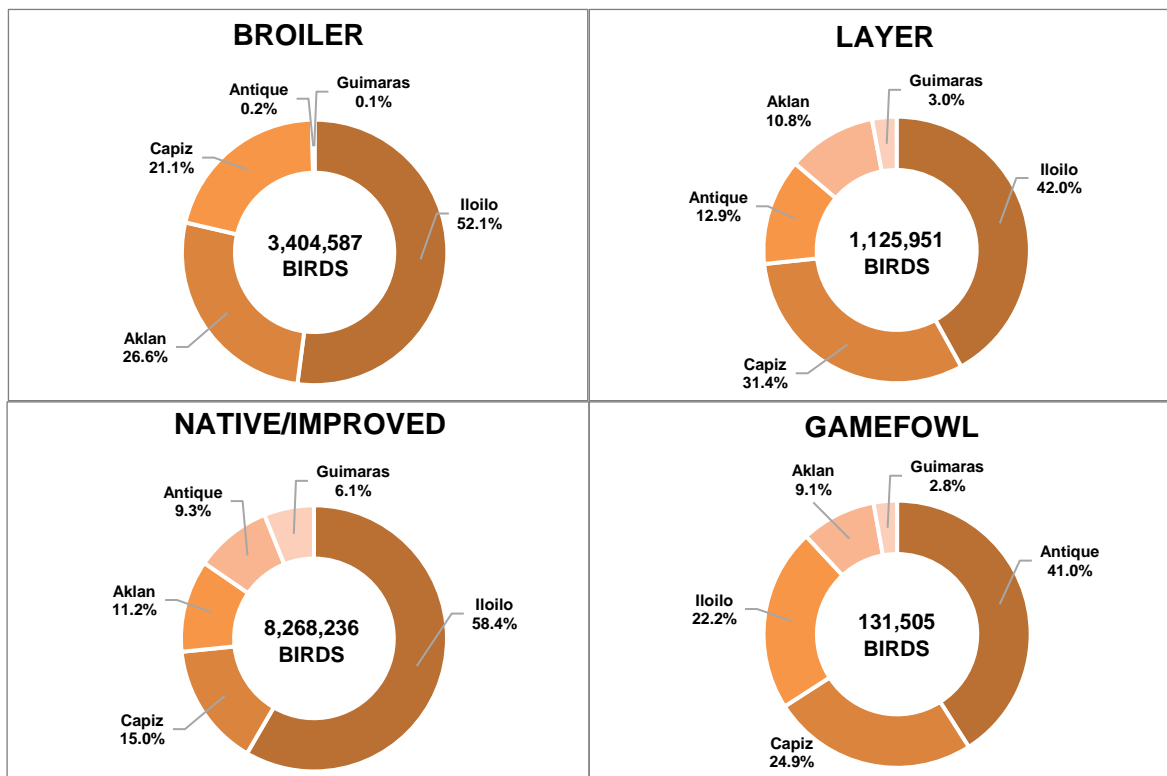
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Iloilo leads in Broiler, Layer and Native Chicken Inventories

As of 01 April 2025, Iloilo shared the highest inventory for Broiler, Layer and Native/Improved Chickens. Of the region's 3,404,587 Broiler Chickens, Iloilo accounted for 52.1 percent followed by Aklan with 26.6 percent, and Capiz with 21.1 percent. For Native/Improved Chicken population which totaled 8,268,236 birds, Iloilo remained the top contributor with 58.4 percent, while Capiz followed with 15.0 percent, and Aklan accounted for 11.2 percent. For Layer Chicken, which recorded a total of 1,125,951 birds, Iloilo contributed the highest with 42.0 percent, followed by Capiz with 31.4 percent and Antique with 12.9 percent.

Meanwhile, Antique led in Gamefowl Chicken population. The region's Gamefowl Chicken inventory stood at 131,505 with Antique contributing 41.0 percent, Capiz 24.9 percent, and Iloilo 22.2 percent. (Figure 5)

Figure 5. Percent Distribution of Chicken Inventory by Chicken Type and by Province, Western Visayas: as of 01 April 2025^P (in birds)

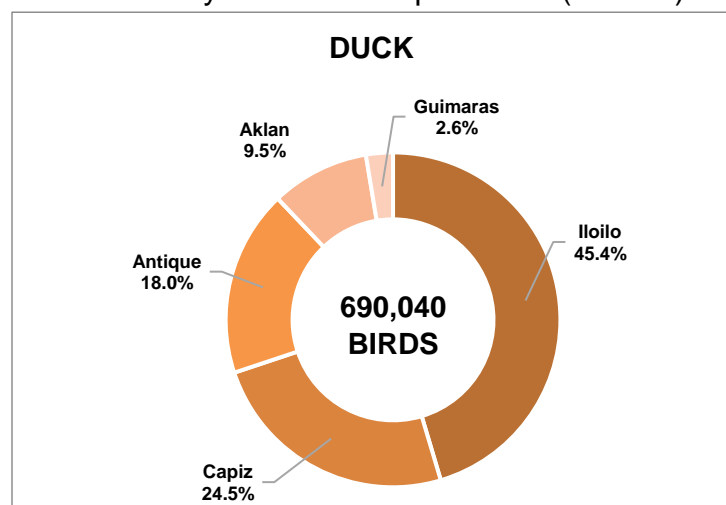


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Iloilo and Capiz lead in Duck inventory as of 01 April 2025

The Western Visayas Duck Inventory as of 01 April 2025 was at 690,040 birds. The provinces of Iloilo and Capiz were the top contributors to the region's inventory, accounting for 45.4 percent and 24.5 percent, respectively. (Figure 6)

Figure 6. Percent Distribution of Duck Inventory by Province, Western Visayas: as of 01 April 2025^P (in birds)



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TECHNICAL NOTES

Livestock

Farm animals are kept or raised for consumption and work. For purposes of census and surveys, livestock covers only those that are tended and raised by households and establishments.

Poultry

A collective term for all domesticated avian for the purpose of food consumption or, the carcasses of such avian are processed for human consumption.

Slaughterhouse/ Poultry Dressing Plant

The premises that are approved and registered by a controlling authority in which food animals are slaughtered/dressed for human consumption.

Volume of Production

The number of tended/raised animals disposed for slaughter/dressing including animals shipped-out for slaughter/dressing (in “head/bird” and in “liveweight equivalent”).

Animal Inventory

The actual number of animals (in head/bird) present in the farm as of a specific reference date regardless of ownership.

Broiler

Strains of foreign breeds of chicken, especially raised for meat purposes only.

Layer

Foreign strain chicken regardless of age, raised mainly for egg production.

Native/Improved Chicken

A common backyard fowl that is a mixture of native breeds and foreign breeds which includes Banaba, Bolinao, Kabir, Bantam, Paraoakan, and Heritage Chicken.

Gamefowl

A domesticated chicken, regardless of breed, age, sex, raised solely for game or recreation purposes. For this survey, it is defined as domesticated chicken regardless of breed, age, and sex, primarily used for breeding purposes.



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