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# **Aquaculture Production in Guimaras: First Quarter 2025**

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#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

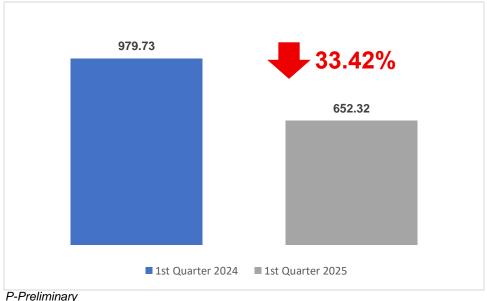
This special release presents the result for the Quarterly Aquaculture Survey in Guimaras for the first quarter of 2025. The 2024 data were also included to obtain analysis on the changes for comparison. The information presented in this special release was taken from www.openstat.psa.gov.ph.

## Guimaras Records 33.42% Decline in Aquaculture Production in Q1 2025

Guimaras registered a significant decrease in aquaculture production during the first quarter of 2025. The total volume dropped to 652.32 metric tons, marking a 33.42 percent decline from the 979.73 metric tons recorded in the same period of 2024. See Figure 1.

Figure 1. Volume of Aquaculture Production

Guimaras: 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2024 and 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2025<sup>P</sup> (in metric tons)



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### Milkfish dominates aquaculture fish production in Guimaras in Q1 2025

The decrease in Aquaculture production in Guimaras was largely attributed to the drop in milkfish production, which fell by 33.60 percent, from 954.08 metric tons in the first quarter of 2024 to 633.47 metric tons in the first quarter of 2025.

Table 1. Volume of Aquaculture Production, by Species Guimaras: 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter (2024 and 2025<sup>P</sup>) in metric tons

Species	1st Quarter 2024	1st Quarter 2025	Percentage Change
ALL SPECIES	979.73	652.32	-33.42
Milkfish	954.08	633.47	-33.60
Seaweed	1.50	11.56	670.67
Tilapia	2.71	3.40	25.46
Catfish	0.20	1.82	<b>8</b> 10.00
Oyster	13.09	1.45	-88.92
White Shrimp	1.11	0.17	-84.68

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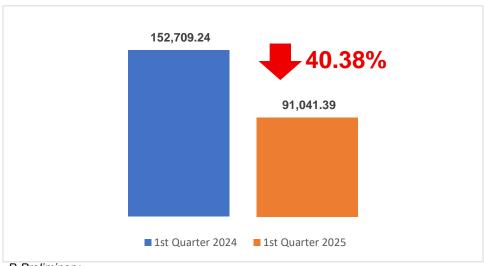
Other species also recorded significant declines, including oyster and white shrimp, which dropped by 88.92 percent and 84.68 percent, respectively. In contrast, positive growth was observed in the production of catfish, seaweed, and tilapia. Catfish production rose sharply by 810.00 percent, from 0.20 metric tons to 1.82 metric tons. Seaweed production increased by 670.67 percent, while tilapia saw a modest growth of 25.46 percent.

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Figure 2. Value of Aquaculture Production Guimaras: 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter (2024 and 2025<sup>p</sup>) in thousand pesos



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Table 2. Value of Aquaculture Production, by Species Guimaras: 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter (2024 and 2025<sup>p</sup>) thousand pesos

Species	1st Quarter 2024	1st Quarter 2025	Percentage Change
ALL SPECIES	152,709.24	91,041.39	-40.38
Milkfish	145,535.65	89,896.30	-38.23
Seaweed	279.43	399.95	43.13
Tilapia	40.00	375.92	839.80
Catfish	8.55	231.19	2603.98
Oyster	392.73	43.41	-88.95
White Shrimp	221.42	39.24	-82.28

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Guimaras Aquaculture Production Value Drops by 40.38% in Q1 2025

The total value of aquaculture production in Guimaras decreased by 40.38 percent in the

first quarter of 2025, falling to PHP91.04 million from PHP152.71 million in the same

period in 2024. The decline was largely driven by milkfish, which remained the highest-

valued species despite a 38.23 percent drop, from PHP145.54 million in the first quarter

of 2024 to PHP89.90 million in the first quarter of 2025. Milkfish continued to account for

most of the province's aquaculture value.

Other species such as oyster and white shrimp also recorded notable declines in value,

decreasing by 88.95 percent and 82.28 percent, respectively. In contrast, the value of

catfish rose by 2,603.98 percent, tilapia increased by 839.80 percent, and seaweed went

up by 43.13 percent.

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