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## *3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2023 Birth Statistics Report of the Province of Romblon*

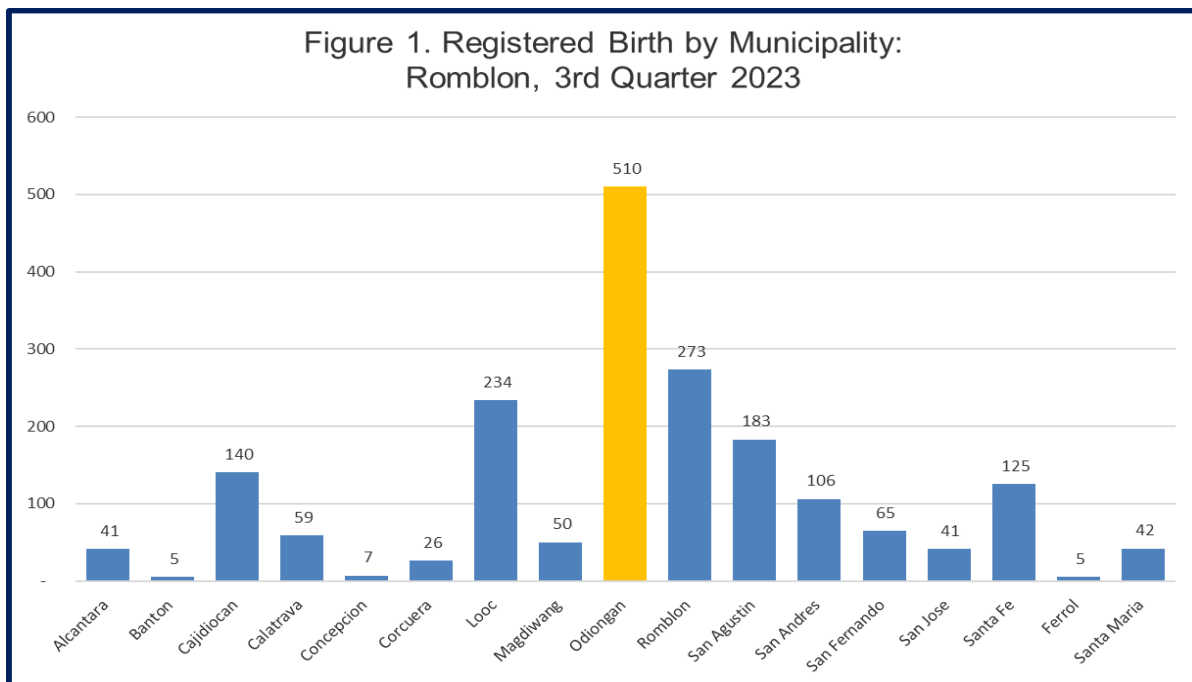
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**Vital Statistics** are derived from information obtained at the time when the occurrences of vital events and their characteristics are inscribed in civil register.

Vital acts and events are the births, deaths, fetal deaths, marriages, and all events such that have something to do with an individual's entrance and departure from life together with the changes in civil status that may occur to a person during his lifetime. Recording of these events in the civil register is known as vital or civil registration and the resulting documents are called vital records.

### BIRTH STATISTICS

The total number of registered births in the province of Romblon for the 3rd Quarter of the year 2023 is 1,912. This is the result of the preliminary tabulation of data from the submissions of the local civil registry offices in the province.



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, DVSS 2023

Figure 1 shows that the municipality of Odiongan registered the most number of births with 510 or 26.7 percent of the total registered births for the province during the said quarter. The municipality of Romblon came in second with 273 or 14.3 percent while Looc ranked third with 234 or 12.2 percent.

On the other hand, the municipalities of Banton and Ferrol recorded the least number of registered births during the quarter with five.

Table 1. Registered Births by Municipality and Month, Romblon: 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2023

Province/Municipality	Month			Total
	July	August	September	
<b>ROMBLON</b>	<b>604</b>	<b>677</b>	<b>631</b>	<b>1,912</b>
Alcantara	6	22	13	41
Banton	1	3	1	5
Cajidiocan	43	48	49	140
Calatrava	16	24	19	59
Concepcion	2	3	2	7
Corcuera	16	6	4	26
Looc	103	60	71	234
Magdiwang	13	9	28	50
Odiongan	164	177	169	510
Romblon (C)	71	94	108	273
San Agustin	37	87	59	183
San Andres	39	31	36	106
San Fernando	16	24	25	65
San Jose	13	17	11	41
Santa Fe	38	57	30	125
Ferrol	1	2	2	5
Santa Maria	25	13	4	42

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, DVSS 2023

Table 1 shows the distribution by municipality and month of registered births in the province of Romblon during the third quarter of 2023. In the said quarter, 604 births or 31.6 percent, 677 births or 35.4 percent, and 631 births or 33.0 percent, had been registered in the months of July, August and September 2023, respectively.

Table 2, meanwhile, compares the total number of registered births in the third quarter 2023, second quarter of 2023, and third quarter of 2022. In the said table, the number of births in third quarter of 2023 decreased by 135 or by -6.6 percent compared to the total registered in the previous quarter. Meanwhile, it increased by 130 or 7.3 percent compared to the total registered births in the same quarter during the past year.

Table 2. Total of Registered Births by Quarter and Municipality: Romblon

Province/ Municipality	Period		
	3rd Quarter 2023	2nd Quarter 2023	3rd Quarter 2022
<b>ROMBLON</b>	<b>1,912</b>	<b>2,047</b>	<b>1,782</b>
Alcantara	41	55	33
Banton	5	16	12
Cajidiocan	140	129	162
Calatrava	59	24	31
Concepcion	7	5	9
Corcuera	26	68	21
Looc	234	218	173
Magdiwang	50	76	68
Odiongan	510	481	445
Romblon (C)	273	231	192
San Agustin	183	146	178
San Andres	106	140	137
San Fernando	65	107	92
San Jose	41	62	60
Santa Fe	125	256	134
Ferrol	5	3	6
Santa Maria	42	30	29

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, Preliminary Results of DVSS 2022

### Almost half of the registered births are delayed registration

Out of the 1,912 registered births in the province during the third quarter of 2023, there were 943 or 49.3 percent that had been delayed registered. A certain birth is considered a delayed registration if it was registered after the reglementary period of thirty (30) days.

### Sex ratio by birth is 93

The computed sex ratio by birth of all registered births during the third quarter of 2023 is ninety three (93). It means that there were approximately 93 registered males in every one hundred registered females during the said period.

### Two in every five of the registered births are born illegitimate

About 49.2 percent (941) of the registered births during the third quarter of 2023 have status of illegitimate. A child is considered as illegitimate if it was born to parents not legally married during the time of the child's birth.

  
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## **DEFINITION OF TERMS**

*Civil Registration* – system by which a government record the vital events (birth, marriage and death )of its citizens and residents. The resulting repository or database is called civil register or registry.

*Vital Statistics* - derived from information obtained at the time when the occurrences of vital events and their characteristics are inscribed in a civil register.

*Vital Events* - are the births, deaths, fetal deaths, marriages and all such events that have something to do with an individual's entrance and departure from life together with the changes in civil status that may occur to a person during his lifetime. Recording of these events in civil register is known as vital or civil registration and the resulting documents are called vital records.

*Live Birth* - is the complete expulsion or extraction from its mother of a product of conception, irrespective of the duration of pregnancy, which after such separation, breaths or shows any other evidence of life, such as beating of the heart, pulsation of the umbilical cord, or definite movement of voluntary muscles, whether or not the umbilical cord has been cut or the placenta is attached; each product of such birth is called liveborn.

*Marriage* - is a special contract of permanent union between a man and a woman entered into in accordance with law for the establishment of conjugal and family life

*Death* - refers to the disappearance of all evidence of life at any time after live birth has taken place (postnatal cessation of vital function without capability of resuscitation).