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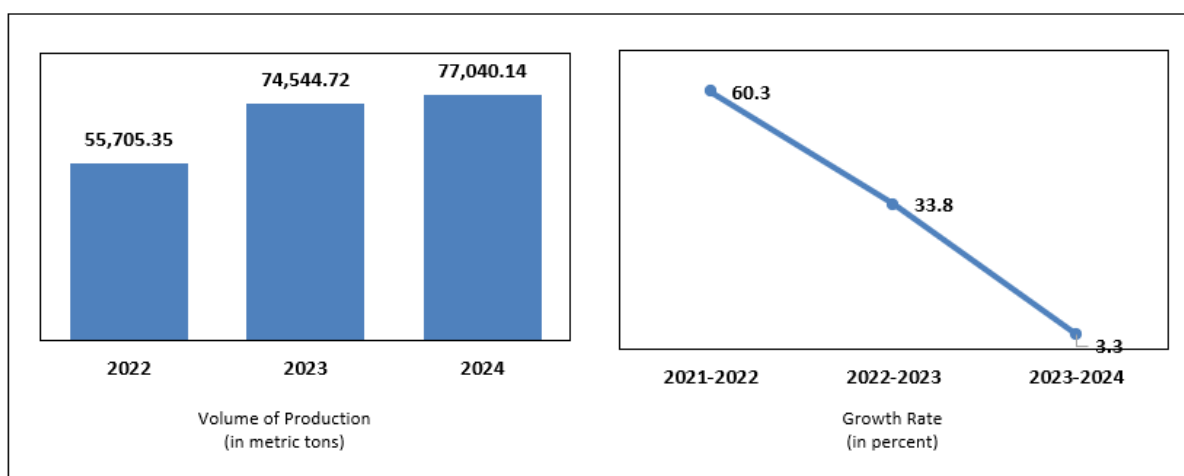
PALAWAN FISHERIES STATISTICS FIRST QUARTER 2024

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Volume of Fisheries Production

During the first quarter of 2024, the total fisheries production in Palawan was estimated at 77,040.14 metric tons. It grew by 3.35 percent from its previous year's output of 74,544.72 metric tons.

Figure 1. Volume of Fisheries Production and Annual Growth Rate, Palawan: First Quarter 2021, 2022, and 2023



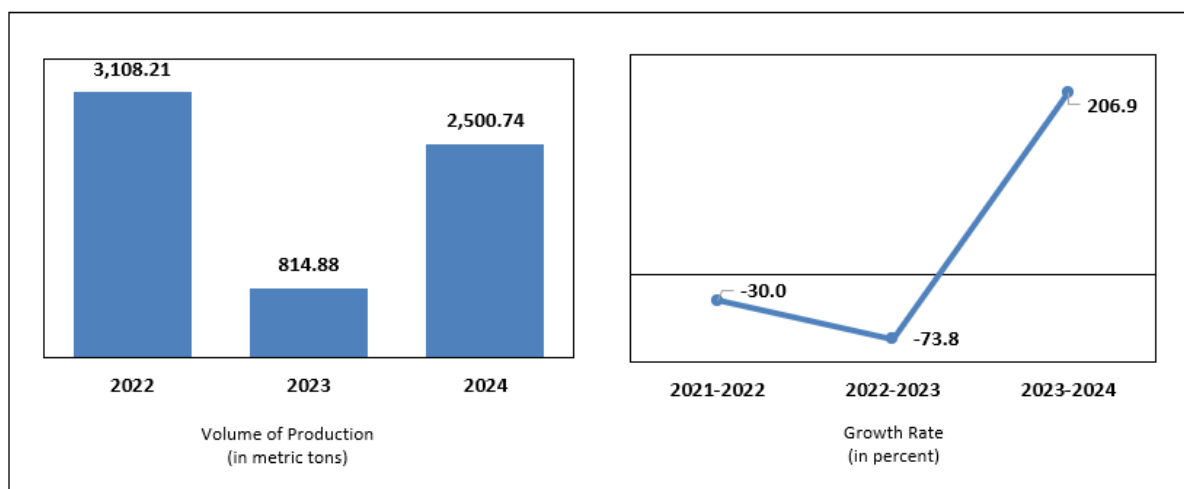
Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

Commercial fisheries and aquaculture subsectors in the province displayed increase in production while municipal fisheries and inland municipal fisheries displayed decline in production.

Volume of Production by Subsector

For the first quarter of 2024, the commercial fisheries output displayed an increase of 206.88 percent at 2,500.74 metric tons compared to the same quarter of last year's volume of production of 814.88 metric tons. This subsector shared 3.25 percent in the total fisheries production of the province.

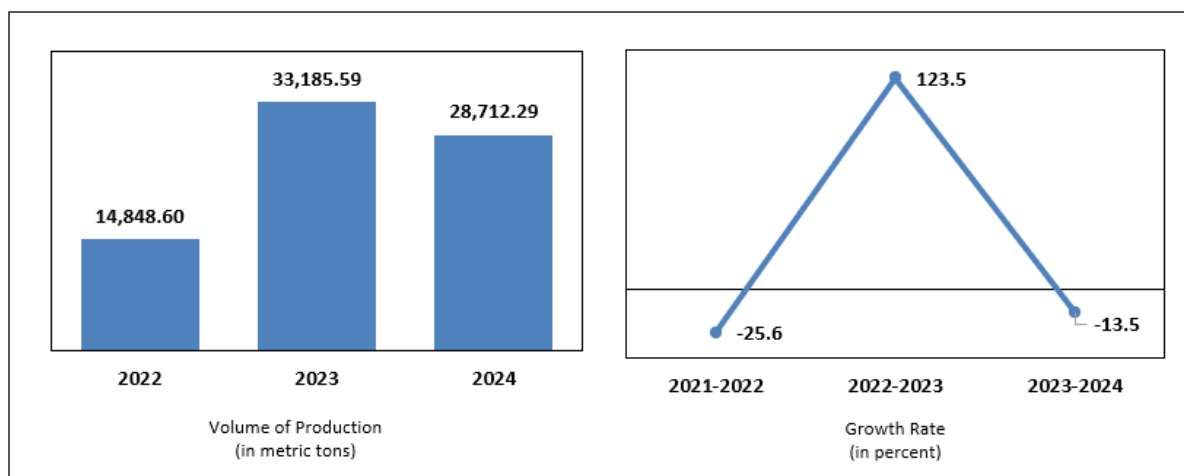
Figure 2. Volume of Commercial Fisheries Production and Annual Growth Rate, Palawan: First Quarter 2022, 2023, and 2024



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

Marine municipal fisheries' volume of production was recorded at 28,712.29 metric tons during the reference quarter. Comparing to 2023 production of 33,185.59 metric tons, this year's output displayed a 13.48 percent decline in production.

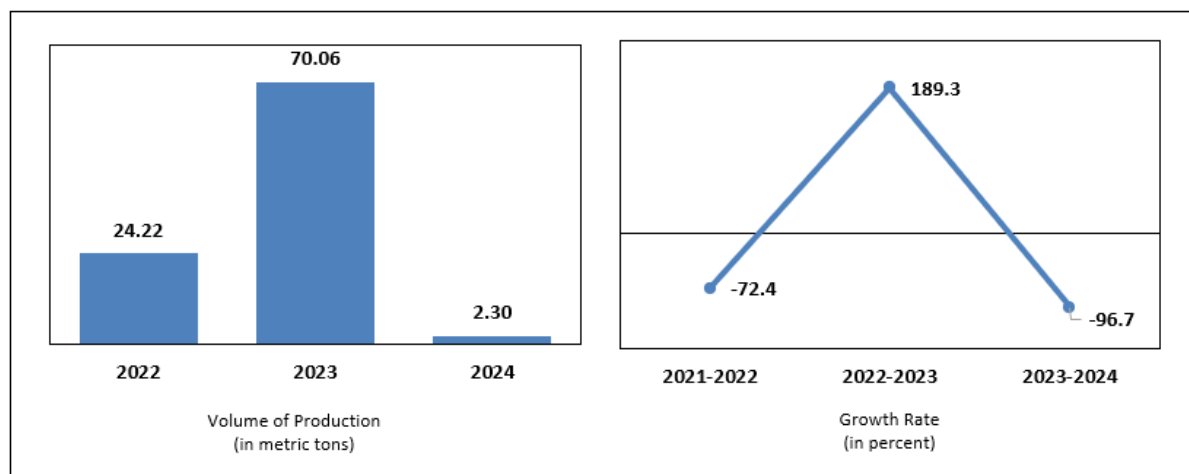
Figure 3. Volume of Marine Municipal Fisheries Production and Annual Growth Rate, Palawan: First Quarter 2022, 2023, and 2024



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

The subsector of inland municipal fisheries registered 2.30 metric tons volume of production in the first quarter of 2024, contributing 0.01 percent share to the total fisheries of the province. This quarter's production declined by 96.72 percent from same quarter of last year's production of 70.06 metric tons.

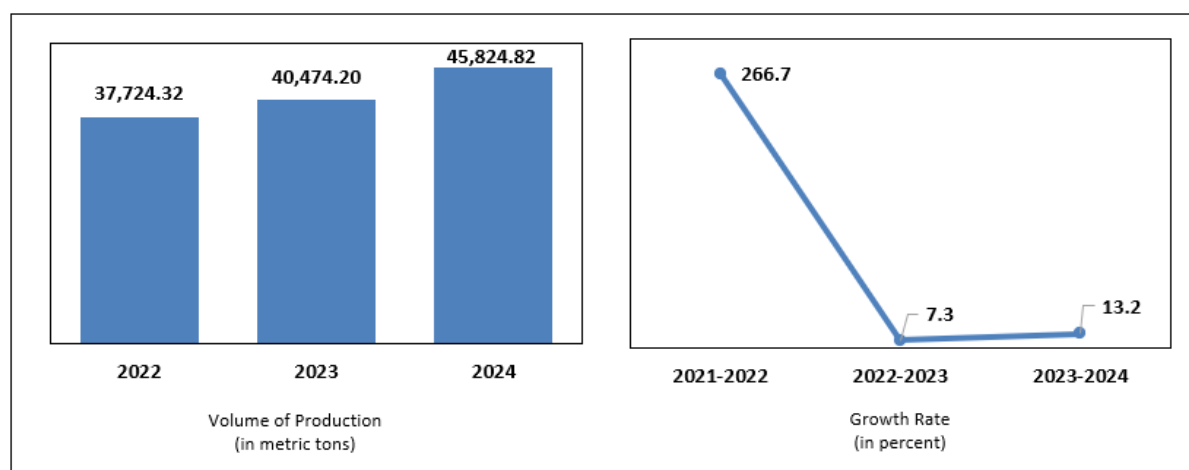
Figure 4. Volume of Inland Fisheries Production and Annual Growth Rate, Palawan: First Quarter 2022, 2023, and 2024



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

Total harvests from aquaculture farms were recorded at 45,824.82 metric tons. This volume displayed a 13.22 percent increase compared to the first quarter 2023 harvests of 40,474.20 metric tons. Aquaculture subsector had biggest share of 59.48 percent to the total fisheries production of the province.

Figure 5. Volume of Aquaculture Production and Annual Growth Rate, Palawan: First Quarter 2022, 2023, and 2024



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

**Table 1. Volume of Fisheries Production by Subsector,
Palawan: First Quarter 2023 and 2024**

Subsector	2023 (in metric tons)	2024 (in metric tons)
Commercial Fisheries	814.88	2,500.74
Marine Municipal Fisheries	33,185.59	28,712.29
Inland Municipal Fisheries	70.06	2.30
Aquaculture	40,474.20	45,824.82

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

Value of Fisheries Production

Palawan's total value of fisheries production reached almost PhP 4.78 billion in the first quarter of 2024, that is 1.20 percent higher compared to the PhP 4.72 billion value of production in the first quarter of 2023.


Two subsectors posted an increase in the value of production during the reference period compared with the value in the same quarter of 2023. These are commercial fisheries reporting a total value of PhP 227.33 million, an increase of 196.68 percent from last year's value of PhP 76.62 million, and marine municipal fisheries with a value of production of PhP 4.24 billion from PhP 4.10 billion (3.46 percent).

On the contrary, inland municipal's value of production declined by 97.44 percent (PhP 306.65 thousand from PhP 11.98 million) and Aquaculture, 42.02 percent (PhP 309.38 million from PhP 533.57 million).

**Table 2. Value of Fisheries Production by Subsector,
Palawan: First Quarter 2023 and 2024**

Subsector	2023 (in thousand pesos)	2024 (in thousand pesos)
Commercial Fisheries	76,625.66	227,331.87
Marine Municipal Fisheries	4,099,013.9	4,240,937.53
Inland Municipal Fisheries	11,981.78	306.65
Aquaculture	533,571.14	309,383.89

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority


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Technical Notes

The Fisheries Situation Report presents the data on volume and value of production of fisheries derived from the quarterly surveys conducted by the Philippine Statistics Authority. The surveys are:

Quarterly Commercial Fisheries Survey (QCFS),
Quarterly Municipal Fisheries Survey (QMFS),
Quarterly Inland Fisheries Survey (QIFS), and
Quarterly Aquaculture Survey (QAqS).

These surveys are conducted quarterly with reference period: January to March for the First Quarter, April to June for the Second Quarter, July to September for the Third Quarter, and October to December for the Fourth Quarter. Data are collected from the sample fish landing centers for QCFS and QMFS, from sample households for QIFS, and from sample aquafarms for QAqS.

DEFINITION OF TERMS

Volume of Production is the total weight in metric tons of the species from commercial, municipal, aquaculture, and inland fisheries.

Value of Production is the total price in thousand pesos of the species from commercial, municipal, aquaculture, and inland fisheries.

Commercial Fishing covers fishing operations in marine waters beyond 15 kilometers from the shoreline by fishing boats with more than three (3) gross tons.

Marine Municipal Fishing covers fishing operations in marine waters within 15 kilometers from the shoreline by fishing boats with three (3) gross tons or less.

Inland Municipal Fishing covers fishing operations performed in inland bodies of water using fishing vessels of three (3) gross tons or less, or fishing not requiring the use of fishing vessels.

Aquaculture is fishery operation involving all forms of raising and culturing of fish and other fishery species in marine, brackish and freshwater environment. Examples are fishponds, fish pens, fish cages, mussel, oyster, seaweed farms and hatcheries.

Fish Landing Center is the place where the fish catch and other aquatic products are loaded and traded.

Aquafarm is the farming facility used in the culture or propagation of aquatic species including fish, mollusk, crustaceans and aquatic plants for purposes of rearing and culturing to enhance production.