
TECHNICAL NOTES

Crops Production Survey- is one of the major agricultural surveys conducted by the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA). This survey aims to generate estimates on the volume of production, area planted/harvested, the number of bearing trees/hills/vines, and farmgate prices for crops other than palay and corn at the national and sub-national levels.

Standing Crop- number of bearing trees/hills/vines that previously borne fruits and are expected to bear fruits for permanent crops and expected area to be harvested for temporary crops in the next three months.

Farmgate Prices- crops sold, trading date, trading location, unit of measure used in selling the crop, equivalent weight in kilogram per unit of measure, price per unit of measure, quantity sold in unit of measure, total amount sold, total marketing cost, and other marketing cost.

Permanent Crops- These are crops that occupy the land for a long period of time and do not need to be replaced after each harvest such as fruit trees, shrubs, nuts, etc. These include productive and non-productive crops, e.g., avocado, coffee, coconut, and other fruit trees.

Temporary Crops- These are crops that are grown seasonally and with a growing cycle of less than one year and which must be sown and planted again for production after each harvest. Some of these crops grow beyond one year but are eventually uprooted to start another production cycle, e.g., peanut, mongo, cassava, tomato, garlic, onion, cabbage, eggplant, etc.

Pakyaw- A system wherein the farmer/producer sells his/her crops before the time of harvest. Note that this is different from “pakyaw” which refers to buying goods or commodities in bulk or wholesale.

Selling- This is a transaction between the seller and the prospective buyer or buyers (the target market) where money (or something considered to have monetary value) is exchanged for goods or services.

Unit of Measure- This is the unit used by the operator in measuring his/her produce. It can be the commonly used ‘kilogram’, or other unit such as basket, sack, bundle, kerosene can, red bag, crate, kaing, etc., or an equivalent measurement unit in local dialects.

Yield per Bearing Tree- This is an indicator of productivity derived by dividing the total production by the number of bearing trees/hills/vines

