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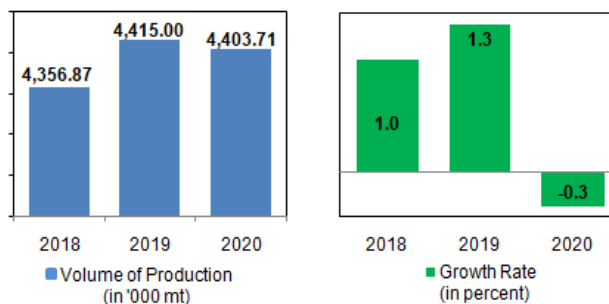
FISHERIES SITUATION REPORT January to December 2020

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Fisheries production declines by -0.3 percent

In 2020, the total volume of fisheries production was estimated at 4,403.71 thousand metric tons was reduced by -0.3 percent from the previous year's record of 4,415.00 thousand metric tons. Volume of production from municipal fisheries and aquaculture recorded decreases while commercial fisheries registered improvement during the year. (Figure 1 and Table 1)

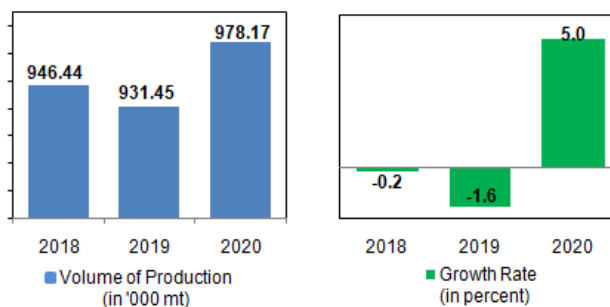
Figure 1. Volume of Fisheries Production and Annual Growth Rate, Philippines: January to December 2018 to 2020^P



^P - Preliminary
 Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

Commercial fisheries' total output was estimated at 978.17 thousand metric tons in 2020, registering a 5.0 percent improvement from its record of 931.45 thousand metric tons a year ago. The subsector shared 22.2 percent to total fisheries production. (Figure 2 and Table 1)

Figure 2. Volume of Commercial Fisheries Production and Annual Growth Rate, Philippines: January to December 2018 to 2020^P

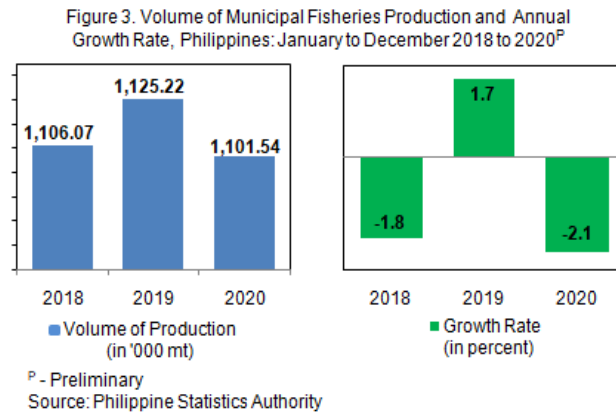


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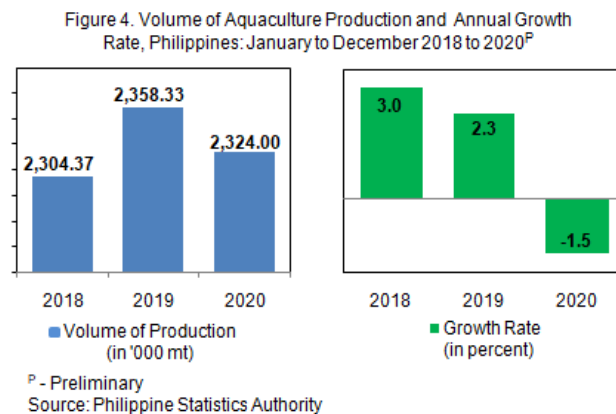
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Municipal fisheries recorded a slowdown in production by -2.1 percent in 2020. During the year, the subsector came up with an output of 1,101.54 thousand metric tons, from 1,125.22 thousand metric tons in 2019. Of this volume of production, 86.4 percent came from unloadings from marine municipal landing centers while the rest were caught from inland bodies of water. Municipal fisheries comprised 25.0 percent of the total fisheries production. (Figure 3 and Table 1)



Harvests from aquaculture farms was recorded at 2,324.00 thousand metric tons in 2020. The production was -1.5 percent less than the 2,358.33 thousand metric tons produced a year ago. The subsector contributed 52.8 percent to the total fisheries production. (Figure 4 and Table 1)



Among the 20 major species, decreases were primarily noted in seaweed (-2.1%), fimbriated sardines (tunsoy, -33.2%), tilapia (-5.2%), slipmouth (sapsap, -14.3%), and indian mackerel (alumahan, -10.8%). (Table 2)

On the other hand, species that displayed production uptrend were led by bali sardinella (tamban, 37.1%), roundscad (galunggong, 7.2%), and milkfish (bangus, 1.9%).

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Table 1. Volume of Fisheries Production by Subsector: Philippines, January to December 2018 - 2020^P

Subsector	Volume of Production (metric tons)			Percent Change		Percent Share to Total Fisheries
	2018	2019	2020 ^P	2019/2018	2020 ^P /2019	
Fisheries	4,356,874.77	4,415,001.68	4,403,709.08	1.3	-0.3	100.0
Commercial Fisheries	946,437.62	931,451.05	978,170.98	-1.6	5.0	22.2
Municipal Fisheries	1,106,071.84	1,125,217.47	1,101,542.03	1.7	-2.1	25.0
Marine	941,870.86	968,758.60	951,468.29	2.9	-1.8	21.6
Inland	164,200.98	156,458.87	150,073.74	-4.7	-4.1	3.4
Aquaculture	2,304,365.31	2,358,333.16	2,323,996.07	2.3	-1.5	52.8

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Note: Percent change and percent share may yield different results when computed manually due to rounding

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Table 2. Volume of Fisheries Production by Species: Philippines, January to December 2018 - 2020^P

Species	Volume of Production (metric tons)			Percent Change		Percent Share to Total Fisheries
	2018	2019	2020 ^P	2019/2018	2020 ^P /2019	
Fisheries	4,356,874.77	4,415,001.68	4,403,709.08	1.3	-0.3	100.0
Milkfish (Bangus)	400,118.78	414,944.25	422,788.89	3.7	1.9	9.6
Tilapia	321,076.58	321,187.79	304,420.63	0.0	-5.2	6.9
Tiger prawn (Sugpo)	44,884.45	46,003.98	42,453.94	2.5	-7.7	1.0
Skipjack (Gulyasan)	258,375.05	266,375.69	262,079.72	3.1	-1.6	6.0
Roundscad (Galunggong)	171,306.41	189,003.22	202,656.14	10.3	7.2	4.6
Seaweed	1,478,300.85	1,499,961.25	1,467,821.30	1.5	-2.1	33.3
Yellowfin tuna (Tambakol/Bariles)	94,437.19	99,351.27	95,853.58	5.2	-3.5	2.2
Mudcrab (Alimango)	21,678.67	22,283.75	22,192.69	2.8	-0.4	0.5
Frigate tuna (Tulingan)	111,916.27	111,511.06	110,524.96	-0.4	-0.9	2.5
Big-eyed scad (Matangbaka)	110,924.73	109,439.57	105,078.09	-1.3	-4.0	2.4
Bali sardinella (Tamban)	259,134.47	247,502.84	339,231.98	-4.5	37.1	7.7
Squid (Pusit)	47,327.48	46,945.50	44,296.95	-0.8	-5.6	1.0
Blue crab (Alimasag)	33,929.60	29,677.14	31,077.37	-12.5	4.7	0.7
Bigeye tuna (Tambakol/ Bariles)	31,134.51	17,756.61	20,053.35	-43.0	12.9	0.5
Grouper (Lapu-lapu)	17,781.66	19,730.75	19,528.57	11.0	-1.0	0.4
Indian mackerel (Alumahan)	55,774.60	60,214.50	53,698.70	8.0	-10.8	1.2
Threadfin bream (Bisugo)	36,343.42	41,381.23	39,328.44	13.9	-5.0	0.9
Slipmouth (Sapsap)	47,951.31	46,464.14	39,839.81	-3.1	-14.3	0.9
Cavalla (Talakitok)	23,658.82	24,224.34	25,924.09	2.4	7.0	0.6
Fimbriated sardines (Tunsoy)	87,577.81	77,723.36	51,943.94	-11.3	-33.2	1.2
Others	703,242.13	723,319.43	702,915.95	2.9	-2.8	16.0

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