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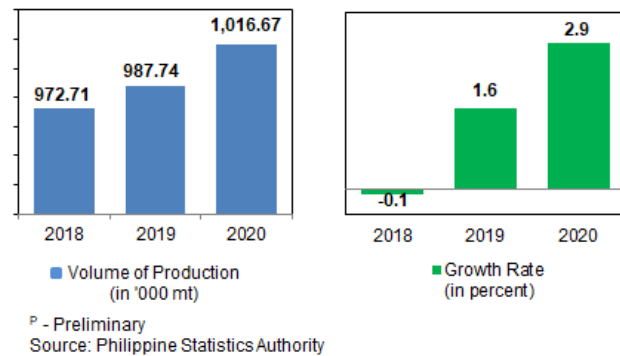
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Fisheries production improves by 2.9 percent

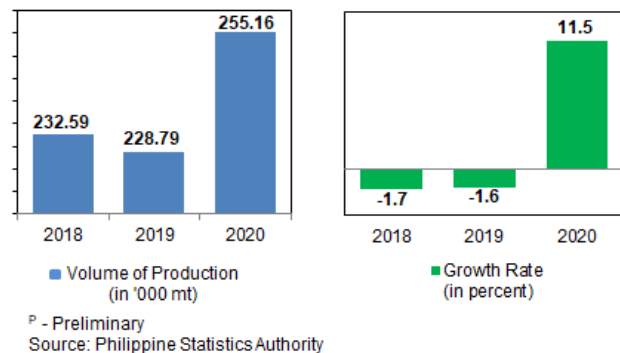
During the third quarter of 2020, the total volume of fisheries production was estimated at 1,016.67 thousand metric tons, an increase of 2.9 percent from the previous year's same quarter output of 987.74 thousand metric tons. Among the fisheries subsectors, improvements were traced from both commercial and municipal fisheries while aquaculture displayed decrement during the period. (Figure 1 and Table 1)

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



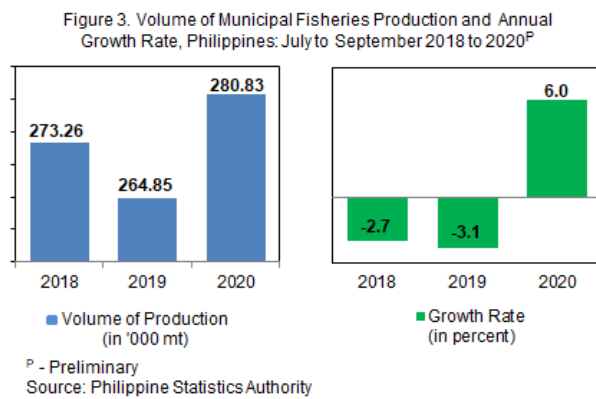
Commercial fisheries volume of production went up to 255.16 thousand metric tons or by 11.5 percent, from 228.79 thousand metric tons in the same period a year ago. The subsector comprised 25.1 percent of the total fisheries production. (Figure 2 and Table 1)

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

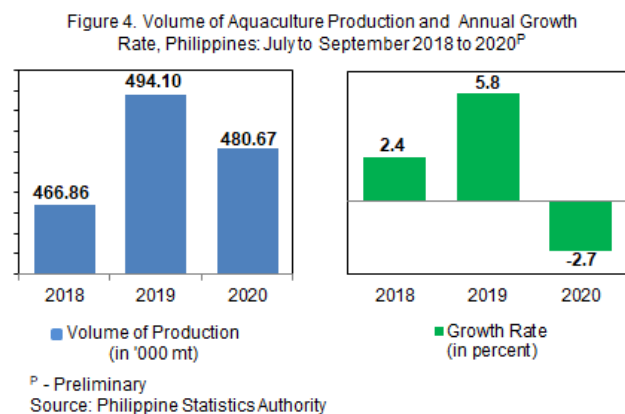


A 6.0 percent output increment was noted in municipal fisheries subsector. The volume of production during the quarter was reported at 280.83 thousand metric tons, from the 264.85 thousand metric tons a year ago. Of this volume of production, 85.9 percent came

from unloadings from marine municipal landing centers while the rest were caught from inland bodies of water. Municipal fisheries shared 27.6 percent to the total fisheries production. (Figure 3 and Table 1)



The volume of harvests from aquaculture farms went down by 2.7 percent. The output was posted at 480.67 thousand metric tons during the period from the 494.10 thousand metric tons in the same period of the previous year. The share of aquaculture subsector to the total fisheries was 47.3 percent. (Figure 4 and Table 1)



Of the 20 major species, double digit increments in production were noted in bigeye tuna (tambakol/bariles, 39.9%), bali sardinella (tamban, 31.5%), blue crab (alimasag, 25.6%), cavalla (talakitok, 18.9%), yellowfin tuna (tambakol/bariles, 16.1%), frigate tuna (tulingan, 13.6%) and roundscad (galunggong, 12.9%). (Table 2)

On the other hand, decreases in production were primarily displayed by fimbriated sardines (tunsoy, -21.8%), tiger prawn (sugpo, -11.3%) and mudcrab (alimango, -9.7%).

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Table 1. Volume of Fisheries Production by Subsector: Philippines, July to September 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	972,709.33	987,741.48	1,016,665.26	1.6	2.9	100.0
Commercial Fisheries	232,591.61	228,786.34	255,162.45	-1.6	11.5	25.1
Municipal Fisheries	273,256.16	264,851.15	280,830.93	-3.1	6.0	27.6
Marine	230,545.11	226,868.40	241,276.89	-1.6	6.4	23.7
Inland	42,711.05	37,982.75	39,554.04	-11.1	4.1	3.9
Aquaculture	466,861.56	494,103.99	480,671.88	5.8	-2.7	47.3

^P - Preliminary

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

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

Table 2. Volume of Fisheries Production by Species: Philippines, July to September 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	972,709.32	987,741.47	1,016,665.26	1.6	2.9	100.0
Milkfish (Bangus)	99,262.32	112,271.85	105,456.87	13.1	-6.1	10.4
Tilapia	59,748.68	56,177.82	55,996.45	-6.0	-0.3	5.5
Tiger prawn (Sugpo)	9,546.25	8,892.33	7,885.57	-6.9	-11.3	0.8
Skipjack (Gulyasan)	59,046.70	63,806.09	64,024.58	8.1	0.3	6.3
Roundscad (Galunggong)	43,951.45	42,510.07	47,970.87	-3.3	12.9	4.7
Seaweed	292,620.69	306,720.17	303,322.56	4.8	-1.1	29.8
Yellowfin tuna (Tambakol/Bariles)	19,709.97	18,682.80	21,684.17	-5.2	16.1	2.1
Mudcrab (Alimango)	4,900.16	5,348.44	4,831.06	9.2	-9.7	0.5
Frigate tuna (Tulingan)	26,488.62	24,634.66	27,984.67	-7.0	13.6	2.8
Big-eyed scad (Matangbaka)	27,410.80	25,739.55	25,490.36	-6.1	-1.0	2.5
Bali sardinella (Tamban)	78,019.61	78,012.27	102,618.10	-0.0	31.5	10.1
Squid (Pusit)	10,621.39	10,276.00	10,278.57	-3.3	0.0	1.0
Blue crab (Alimasag)	10,706.54	8,799.96	11,048.29	-17.8	25.6	1.1
Bigeye tuna (Tambakol/ Bariles)	8,283.19	5,450.01	7,626.08	-34.2	39.9	0.8
Grouper (Lapu-lapu)	4,765.08	5,684.58	5,827.06	19.3	2.5	0.6
Indian mackerel (Alumahan)	12,862.45	13,549.37	13,042.04	5.3	-3.7	1.3
Threadfin bream (Bisugo)	8,896.26	10,546.64	10,470.90	18.6	-0.7	1.0
Slipmouth (Sapsap)	12,858.28	11,589.91	11,094.45	-9.9	-4.3	1.1
Cavalla (Talakitok)	5,966.73	5,709.59	6,786.62	-4.3	18.9	0.7
Fimbriated sardines (Tunsoy)	15,055.67	15,772.43	12,342.58	4.8	-21.8	1.2
Others	161,988.48	157,566.93	160,883.42	-2.7	2.1	15.8

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