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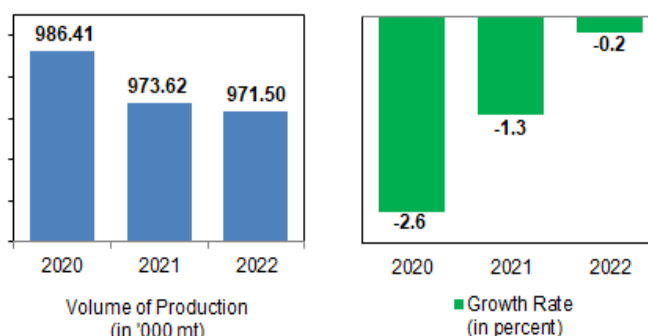
## FISHERIES SITUATION REPORT January to March 2022

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### Fisheries production declines by -0.2 percent

During the first quarter of 2022, the total fisheries production was estimated at 971.50 thousand metric tons. It diminished by -0.2 percent from the 973.62 thousand metric tons production in the same quarter of the previous year. Decreases in production were noted in commercial and marine municipal fisheries, while aquaculture and inland municipal fisheries pulled up their outputs. (Figure 1 and Table 1)

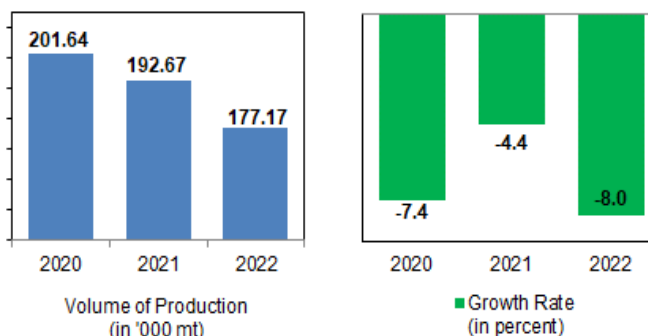
Figure 1. Volume of Fisheries Production and Annual Growth Rate, Philippines: January to March 2020 to 2022<sup>P</sup>



<sup>P</sup> - Preliminary  
 Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

Commercial fisheries recorded a volume of production of 177.17 thousand metric tons in the first quarter of 2022, which was -8.0 percent lower than its previous year's level of 192.67 thousand metric tons. The subsector's output comprised 18.2 percent of the total fisheries production. (Figure 2 and Table 1)

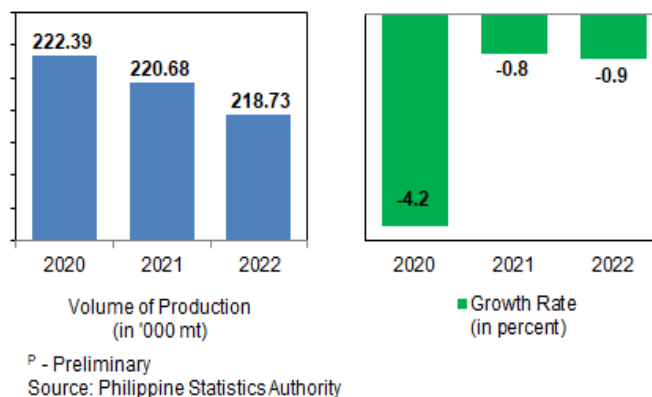
Figure 2. Volume of Commercial Fisheries Production and Annual Growth Rate, Philippines: January to March 2020 to 2022<sup>P</sup>



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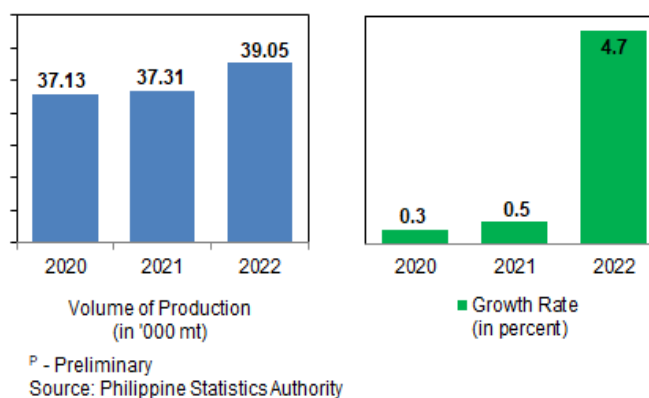
The marine municipal fisheries subsector reported a total unloading of 218.73 thousand metric tons during the quarter. The volume was -0.9 percent lower than the first quarter of 2021 level of 220.68 thousand metric tons. The subsector's share to total fisheries was 22.5 percent. (Figure 3 and Table 1)

Figure 3. Volume of Marine Municipal Fisheries Production and Annual Growth Rate, Philippines: January to March 2020 to 2022<sup>P</sup>



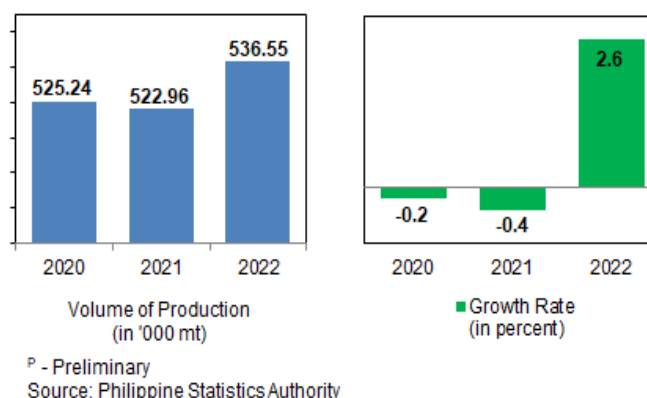
Inland municipal fisheries production grew by 4.7 percent during the quarter. The volume of production was reported at 39.05 thousand metric tons, while the previous year's estimate was 37.31 thousand metric tons. Inland municipal fisheries contributed 4.0 percent share to the total fisheries production. (Figure 4 and Table 1)

Figure 4. Volume of Inland Municipal Fisheries Production and Annual Growth Rate, Philippines: January to March 2020 to 2022<sup>P</sup>



Total harvests from aquaculture farms reported 536.55 thousand metric tons in the first quarter of 2022, from 522.96 thousand metric tons in the same quarter of the previous year which is equivalent to 2.6 percent increase during the quarter. Aquaculture subsector constituted the biggest share of 55.2 percent to total fisheries production. (Figure 5 and Table 1)

Figure 5. Volume of Aquaculture Production and Annual Growth Rate, Philippines: January to March 2020 to 2022<sup>P</sup>



Of the 20 major species, large declines in the production were mainly attributed to mudcrab (alimango, -24.8%), skipjack (gulyasan, -20.2%), and fimbriated sardines (tunsoy, -13.5%). (Table 2)

On the other hand, double-digit increments were reported in threadfin bream (bisugo, 34.1%), squid (pusit, 12.7%), and bigeye tuna (tambakol/bariles, 10.9%). (Table 2)

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Table 1. Volume of Fisheries Production by Subsector: Philippines, January to March 2020 - 2022<sup>P</sup>

Subsector	Volume of Production (metric tons)			Percent Change		Percent Share to Total Fisheries
	2020	2021	2022	2021/2020	2022 <sup>P</sup> /2021	2022
Fisheries	986,408.32	973,622.41	971,500.80	-1.3	-0.2	100.0
Commercial Fisheries	201,642.95	192,672.43	177,165.03	-4.4	-8.0	18.2
Municipal Fisheries	259,522.67	257,991.46	257,782.36	-0.6	-0.1	26.5
Marine	222,393.68	220,678.52	218,732.01	-0.8	-0.9	22.5
Inland	37,128.99	37,312.94	39,050.35	0.5	4.7	4.0
Aquaculture	525,242.70	522,958.52	536,553.41	-0.4	2.6	55.2

<sup>P</sup> - Preliminary

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 March 2020 - 2022<sup>P</sup>

Species	Volume of Production (metric tons)			Percent Change		Percent Share to Total Fisheries
	2020	2021	2022 <sup>P</sup>	2021/2020	2022 <sup>P</sup> /2021	2022
Fisheries	986,408.32	973,622.41	971,500.80	-1.3	-0.2	100.0
Milkfish (Bangus)	66,401.77	67,219.23	58,699.71	1.2	-12.7	6.0
Tilapia	89,471.52	96,614.98	90,416.18	8.0	-6.4	9.3
Tiger prawn (Sugpo)	8,245.94	8,281.23	7,348.86	0.4	-11.3	0.8
Skipjack (Gulyasan)	54,801.34	67,658.80	53,995.02	23.5	-20.2	5.6
Roundscad (Galunggong)	49,307.24	41,632.37	39,578.74	-15.6	-4.9	4.1
Seaweed	349,767.53	339,505.33	370,483.64	-2.9	9.1	38.1
Yellowfin tuna (Tambakol/Bariles)	20,732.63	17,081.94	18,372.96	-17.6	7.6	1.9
Mudcrab (Alimango)	6,850.40	8,231.83	6,188.03	20.2	-24.8	0.6
Frigate tuna (Tulingan)	25,530.80	22,889.92	21,587.21	-10.3	-5.7	2.2
Big-eyed scad (Matangbaka)	25,629.24	26,797.04	24,881.63	4.6	-7.1	2.6
Bali sardinella (Tamban)	50,471.27	55,953.86	55,787.02	10.9	-0.3	5.7
Squid (Pusit)	10,729.48	10,369.16	11,690.28	-3.4	12.7	1.2
Blue crab (Alimasag)	6,679.78	6,600.94	6,059.80	-1.2	-8.2	0.6
Bigeye tuna (Tambakol/Bariles)	3,517.65	3,527.11	3,910.94	0.3	10.9	0.4
Grouper (Lapu-lapu)	4,318.46	3,759.34	3,983.88	-12.9	6.0	0.4
Indian mackerel (Alumahan)	12,653.89	12,448.12	11,753.96	-1.6	-5.6	1.2
Threadfin bream (Bisugo)	9,973.33	8,148.26	10,930.24	-18.3	34.1	1.1
Slipmouth (Sapsap)	7,931.01	9,161.66	8,247.29	15.5	-10.0	0.8
Cavalla (Talakitok)	5,783.72	6,317.41	5,939.03	9.2	-6.0	0.6
Fimbriated sardines (Tunsoy)	17,451.97	10,763.28	9,313.74	-38.3	-13.5	1.0
Others	160,159.35	150,660.60	152,332.66	-5.9	1.1	15.7

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