

TECHNICAL NOTES

I. Introduction

The Carabao Situation Report presents the industry situation in terms of volume and value of production, monthly average farmgate and retail prices, and volume and value of pork imports. It serves as a ready reference for the various clients and stakeholders of the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) in the agriculture sector.

The data for this report were collected by PSA through the two surveys, namely, Backyard Livestock and Poultry Survey (BLPS) and the Commercial Livestock and Poultry Survey (CLPS).

The BLPS aims to generate estimates on the supply and disposition of livestock and poultry commodities at the household level. In 2021, the number of sample households covered was 22,144 in 1,145 sample barangays nationwide. On the other hand, the CLPS seeks to generate estimates on the supply and disposition of livestock and poultry commodities from the commercial farm/establishment level. There were 141 sample carabao commercial farms/establishments covered in 2021.

Both surveys are conducted every quarter in all provinces. Moreover, the commodities covered in the surveys include: cattle; carabao; swine; and goat for livestock, while chicken; chicken eggs; duck; and duck eggs for poultry.

The data on the number of carabaos slaughtered in slaughterhouses were sourced from the Compilation of Data from Slaughterhouses and Poultry Dressing Plants (CDSPDP), an administrative-based activity of the PSA. This activity covers 1,278 licensed to operate meat establishments (LTOMEs) and Locally Registered Meat Establishments (LRMEs) nationwide. This is undertaken in coordination with the National Meat Inspection Service (NMIS) and the Local Government Units (LGUs).

II. Data Collection

A. Backyard Livestock and Poultry Survey

1. Data collection procedure

The schedule of field data collection is every first seven (7) days of the month after the reference quarter. However, the data collection for 4th quarter is done one (1) month earlier to comply with the Philippine System of National Accounts (PSNA) calendar. The data collection is undertaken by hired Statistical Researchers (SRs) and is done through face-to-face interview with qualified respondents of the sample households. Prior to data collection, training of selected staff from Central Office, and Field Offices, including SRs, is conducted to ensure uniform understanding of concepts and proper implementation of survey procedures. Field and manual editing of the accomplished questionnaires is done to ensure completeness, consistency and reasonableness of the information gathered.

2. Survey Questionnaire

The BLPS Questionnaire is a thirteen-page form composed of 16 blocks that aims to gather information on the basic characteristics and operations of the household.

The data items included in the survey are as follows:

- a. Type of Operation/Purpose
- b. Inventory
- c. Number of breeders that gave birth
- d. Number of born live
- e. Number of acquired animals
- f. Slaughtered in the household
- g. Sold live for slaughter and for other purposes
- h. Disposition by areas of destination
- i. Average liveweight
- j. Average farmgate price
- k. Number of deaths/losses and cause/reason
- l. Milk production indicators

B. Commercial Livestock and Poultry Survey

1. Data collection procedure

The schedule of field data collection is during the last ten (10) days of the quarter. However, the data collection for the fourth quarter is done one (1) month earlier to comply with the Philippine System of National Accounts (PSNA) calendar. The data collection is undertaken by hired Statistical Researchers (SRs) and is done through a face-to-face interview with qualified respondents of the farm/establishment. Prior to data collection, training of Central Office and Field Office personnel, including SRs, is conducted to ensure that the procedures and concepts of the survey are understood and properly implemented. Field and manual editing of the accomplished questionnaires is done to ensure completeness, consistency and reasonableness of the information gathered.

2. Survey Questionnaire

The CLPS Carabao Survey Questionnaire is a two-page questionnaire that aims to gather necessary information on supply and disposition of carabao commercial farms/establishment.

The data items included in the survey are as follows:

- a. Type of Operation/Purpose
- b. Inventory
- c. Number of breeders that gave birth
- d. Number of born live
- e. Number of acquired animals
- f. Slaughtered in the farm/establishment
- g. Sold live for slaughter and for other purposes
- h. Disposition by areas of destination
- i. Average liveweight
- j. Average farmgate price
- k. Number of deaths/losses and cause/reason
- l. Milk production indicator

C. Compilation of Data from Slaughterhouses and Poultry Dressing Plants

1. Data collection procedure

The schedule of field data collection is during first ten (10) days of the month and is undertaken by regular Provincial Statistics Office (PSO) personnel. The data is obtained from the administrative records of National Meat Inspection

Service (NMIS) and Locally Registered Meat Establishment (LRME) supervised by the Local Government Unit (LGUs).

2. Collection Forms

The collection forms used in CDSPDP consists of two (2) forms, namely CDSPDP Form 1a (Livestock) and CDSPDP Form 1b (Poultry). These forms aim to gather information on the number of livestock and poultry commodities slaughtered/dressed in slaughterhouses/poultry dressing plants.

The data items included in the forms are as follows:

- a. Number of Heads/Birds
- b. Total Carcass/Dressed weight

III. Sampling Design

A. Backyard Livestock and Poultry Survey

1. Sampling Frame

The BLPS sampling frame is based on the results of the 2017 Listing of Farm Household (LFH) and 2012 Census of Agriculture and Fisheries (CAF). For barangays not covered in the 2017 LFH, the list of households was taken from the 2012 CAF. The sampling frame is updated quarterly based on the status of the sampled households using structured form- Frame Maintenance form (FMF) submitted by the PSOs every quarter.

2. Sample Selection Procedure

The BLPS uses two-stage sampling design. The first stage is the selection of barangays using probability proportional to size where the measure of size is the total animal inventory. The number of sample barangays is based on a target coefficient of variation of five (5) percent. The sample barangays are the same for all quarters of 2022.

The second stage is the selection of sample households that are engaged in livestock and poultry raising in the sampled barangays using systematic sampling.

The number of sample households per selected barangay is 20 but this could be less if the selected barangay has less than 20 households. The sample households per quarter are independent.

3. Estimation Procedure

a. Sampling Weights

a.1 Base Weight

The base weight is computed as follows:

$$w_{1i} = \begin{cases} \frac{\sum_{k=1}^A X_k - X_{certain}}{a'X_i} & , \text{if non - certainty brgy} \\ 1 & , \text{if certainty brgy} \end{cases}$$

$$w_{2ij} = \begin{cases} \frac{N_i}{n_i} & , \text{if household has at most 3 operators} \\ \frac{N_i}{n_i} \times \frac{M_{ij}}{m_{ij}} & , \text{if household has greater than 3 operators} \end{cases}$$

$$w_{ij} = w_{1i} \times w_{2ij}$$

Where:

w_{ij} = base weight of household j in barangay i

w_{1i} = 1st stage weight

w_{2ij} = 2nd stage weight

A = total number of barangays in the domain

a = barangay sample size in the domain

a' = non-certainty barangay sample size in the domain; equal to a if there are no certainty barangays

$X_{certain}$ = total animal inventory of all certainty barangays

X_i = size measure of barangay i

N_i = total number of households in barangay i

n_i = number of sample households in barangay i

M_{ij} = total number of operators in household j in barangay i

m_{ij} = number of sample operators in household j in barangay i

i = subscript for barangay

j = subscript for household

a.2 Adjustment Factor

The adjustment factor formula is given as follows:

$$A_p = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^a \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} w_{ij} X_{1ij}}{\sum_{i=1}^a \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} w_{ij} X_{2ij}}$$

Where:

A_p = adjustment factor for domain p

X_{1ij} = eligible status of household j in barangay i (1 if eligible, 0 otherwise)

X_{2ij} = responding status of household j in barangay i (1 if eligible, 0 otherwise)

The status applicable for eligible households are:

- Interview completed;
- Refused to be interviewed without replacement;
- Temporarily away/Not at home without replacement; and
- Household temporarily not accessible without replacement.

The status applicable for not eligible households are:

- Resides outside the barangay;
- Unknown in the locality;
- Deceased (No other member in the household).

a.3 Final Weights

The final weights formula is given as follows:

$$w'_{ij} = w_{ij} \times A_p$$

Where:

w'_{ij} = final weights for domain p

w_{ij} = base weight of household j in barangay i

A_p = adjustment factor for domain p

b. Estimation of Total

b.1 Estimation of Provincial Total

Estimation of domain total is done per animal type and the formula is given as follows:

$$\hat{Y}_{qp} = \sum_{i=1}^a \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} w'_{ij} y_{ij}$$

Where:

\hat{Y}_{qp} = estimated total for domain p at quarter q

y_{ij} = survey data (inventory, production, etc.) for household j in barangay i

b.2 Estimation of Regional and National Total

The regional estimates are obtained by aggregating the estimates of the provinces within the region, while the national estimate is derived by adding all the regional estimates.

B. Commercial Livestock and Poultry Survey

1. Sampling Frame

The CLPS frame is based on the results of the 2010 Livestock Population Survey (LPS). It is updated quarterly based on the results of visit of the sample farms/establishments using the Frame Maintenance Form (FMF).

2. Sample Selection Procedure

The CLPS uses a stratified sampling design with the maximum farm/housing capacity as stratification variable. Stratum boundaries are obtained using Dalenius-Hodges method. Sample size is determined using Neyman

procedure with a target coefficient of variation of five percent (5%). A minimum of five (5) samples are taken when the population for the stratum is greater than or equal to five (5). For stratum with population less than five (5), all farms will be enumerated. The number of strata per province ranges from two (2) to four (4) depending on the homogeneity of the stratification variable.

Complete Enumeration (CE) is applied for provinces with less than 25 commercial farms/establishments, otherwise, stratified sampling design is used.

3. Estimation Procedure

a. For Certainty Stratum (Complete Enumeration)

The total estimate for the province is obtained by aggregating the responses of commercial farms/establishments in the province using the following formula:

$$\hat{Y} = \sum_{i=1}^N y_i$$

where:

\hat{Y} = estimated total for the province

N = total number of farms in province p'

y_i = survey data (inventory, production, etc.) for establishment i

b. For Non-certainty Stratum (Sampling)

b.1 Sampling weights

a. Base Weights

The base weights for CLPS is computed by animal type and province. The formula for base weights is given as follows:

$$w_h = w_{hi} = \left(\frac{N_h}{n_h} \right)$$

w_{hi} = weight of commercial farm/establishment i in stratum h

N_h = total number of establishments in stratum h

n_h = number of sample establishments in stratum h

b. Adjustment Factor

The adjustment factor is given as follows:

$$A_h = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n_h} w_{hi} X_{1hi}}{\sum_{i=1}^{n_h} w_{hi} X_{2hi}}$$

A_h = adjustment factor at stratum h

w_{hi} = base weight of establishment i at stratum h

n_h = number of sample establishments in stratum h

X_{1hi} = eligible status of sample establishment i at stratum h
(1 if eligible, 0 otherwise)

X_{2hi} = responding status of sample establishment i at stratum h
(1 if responding, 0 otherwise)

$$X_{1hi} \text{ (Eligible)} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if result of final visit is 1a, 1b, 2a, 3a, and 3b} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$X_{2hi} \text{ (Responding)} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if result of final visit is 1a} \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Result of Final Visit

Code 1a (Interview Completed - Operational)

Code 1b (Interview Completed – Temporarily closed)

Code 2a (Not interviewed – Temporarily closed)

Code 3a (Non-response – Refused to give data)

Code 3b (Non-response – Cannot be contacted/Not accessible/
Temporarily away)

c. Final Weights

The final weight formula is given as follows:

$$w'_{hi} = w_{hi} \times A_h$$

w'_{hi} = final weight of establishment i at stratum h

w_{hi} = base weight of establishment i at stratum h

A_h = Adjustment factor

b.2 Estimation by Stratum

Each stratum yields an independent estimate. The formula to be used is given as follows:

$$\hat{Y}_h = \sum_{i=1}^{n_h} w'_{hi} y_{hi}$$

\hat{Y}_h = estimated total for stratum h of the province

w'_{hi} = final weight of establishments i at stratum h

n_h = no. of sample establishments in stratum h

y_{hi} = survey data (inventory, production, etc.) for establishment i in
stratum h

c. Estimation of Total

c.1 Estimation of Provincial Total

The total estimate for the province is obtained by simply aggregating all the expanded stratum estimates in the province. Hence, the statement of the total for the pth province is given by:

$$\hat{Y} = \sum_{h=1}^L \hat{Y}_h$$

where:

\hat{Y} = estimated total for the province

\hat{Y}_h = estimated total for stratum h of the province

L = total number of strata

c.2 Estimation of Regional and National Total

The regional estimates are obtained by aggregating the estimates of the provinces within the region, while the national estimate is derived by adding all the regional estimates.

IV. Concepts and Definitions of Terms

Commercial farm – a farm or establishment that raises livestock animals. Moreover, it must satisfy at least one of the following criteria:

1. Tending at least 21 heads of adult and zero head of young;
2. Tending at least 41 heads of young animals; or
3. Tending at least 10 heads of adult and 22 heads of young.

All livestock and poultry raisers that did not satisfy the above criteria were considered as **Backyard Farm**.

Farmgate price refers to the price received by raisers for their produce at the location of farm. Thus, marketing costs such as transport and other marketing costs (if any) incurred in selling the produce is not included in the farmgate prices. The 2019 to 2021 farmgate prices included in this annual release were based on the revised method of computation by the Price Statistics Division of the PSA.

Imports refer to the number of meat products originating from foreign country. The data on meat importation data are compiled by the Trade Statistics Division (TSD) of PSA from the copies of Import Entry and Internal Revenue Declaration collected from the Bureau of Customs (BOC).

Inventory refers to the actual number of carabao, in heads, present in the farm as of a specific reference date.

Licensed to Operate Meat Establishment (LTOME) refers to premises/facilities where food animals are slaughtered for human consumption. These were then referred as accredited slaughterhouses and poultry dressing plants.

Locally Registered Meat Establishment (LRME) refers to slaughterhouses, meat processing plants, Poultry Dressing Plants, meat cutting plants, and cold storages that are allowed to operate by the city/municipal government but are not accredited by the NMIS.

Slaughterhouses (SH) are premises that are approved and registered by the NMIS and LGUs in which food animals are slaughtered for human consumption.

Value at constant price refers to the valuation of transactions, wherein the influence of price change from base year to the current year has been removed.

Value at current price refers to the value based on prices during the reference year; nominal year.

Value of production refers to the value of the animal with reference to its farmgate price. It is derived by multiplying the volume of production by its farmgate price.

Volume of production refers to the number of tended/raised animals disposed for slaughter including animals shipped-out for slaughter (in “head/bird” and in “liveweight equivalent”).

V. Dissemination of Results and Revision

The PSA disseminates the Carabao Situation Report annually, with previous year as the reference period. This report is uploaded in the PSA Website.

The data on volume of production and inventory is released 45 days after the reference quarter.

The livestock and poultry statistics follows the revision policy as stipulated in the PSA Board Resolution No. 1, Series of 2017-119 approving the revision of quarterly estimates on agricultural production, prices and related statistics to be limited to the immediately preceding quarter and for the past three years with quarterly breakdown to be done only during May of the current year.

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