

**Table 1. Volume of Palay Production, Area Harvested and Yield per Hectare by Province  
Region VIII: 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter, 2019 and 2018**

Region/Province	Volume of Production (MT)			Area Harvested (Ha)			Yield per Hectare (MT/Ha)		
	3rd Qtr 2019	3rd Qtr 2018	Percent Change 2019/2018	3rd Qtr 2019	3rd Qtr 2018	Percent Change 2019/2018	3rd Qtr 2019	3rd Qtr 2018	Percent Change 2019/2018
<b>Region VIII (EASTERN VISAYAS)</b>	104,851	117,792	(11.0)	29,696	33,615	(11.7)	3.53	3.50	0.8
<b>Biliran</b>	8,653	9,624	(10.1)	1,980	2,130	(7.0)	4.37	4.52	(3.3)
<b>Eastern Samar</b>	6,563	10,480	(37.4)	1,790	3,172	(43.6)	3.67	3.30	11.0
<b>Leyte</b>	35,292	40,721	(13.3)	8,440	10,354	(18.5)	4.18	3.93	6.3
<b>Northern Samar</b>	24,540	25,428	(3.5)	8,005	8,193	(2.3)	3.07	3.10	(1.2)
<b>Samar</b>	23,430	23,837	(1.7)	8,070	8,120	(0.6)	2.90	2.94	(1.1)
<b>Southern Leyte</b>	6,373	7,702	(17.3)	1,411	1,646	(14.3)	4.52	4.68	(3.5)

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority



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## PALAY PRODUCTION (3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter)



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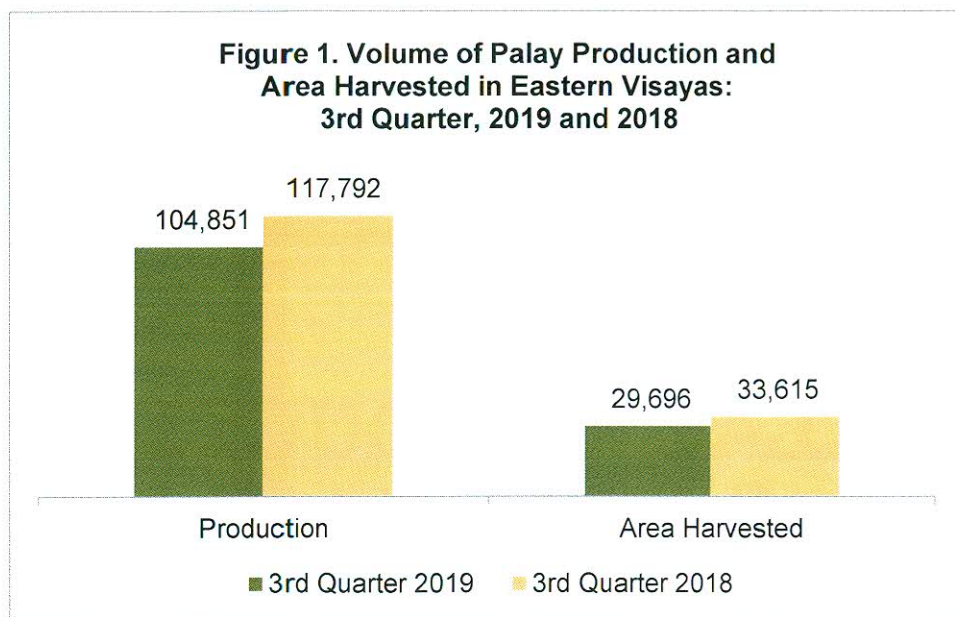
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## PALAY PRODUCTION DROPS BY 11.0 PERCENT IN THE THIRD QUARTER OF 2019



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

Palay production in Eastern Visayas dropped by 11.0 percent, from 117,792 Metric Tons (MT) in the 3rd Quarter of 2018 to 104,851 MT in 2019.

The province of Leyte contributed the biggest share in palay production in Eastern Visayas at 35,292 MT during the 3rd quarter of 2019. It comprised one third or 33.7 percent of the total palay production in the region. Northern Samar ranked second with 24,540 MT, accounting for 23.4 percent of the region's total palay production. Samar followed with 23,430 MT production contributing 22.3 percent share to the total production. Biliran and Eastern Samar shared 8.3 percent (8,653 MT) and 6.3 percent (6,563 MT),

respectively. Meanwhile, Southern Leyte had the least contribution at 6.1 percent (6,373 MT) of the total palay production in the region.

Similarly, the total area harvested for palay decreased to 29,696 Hectares (Ha) in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of 2019 from 33,615 Ha recorded in the same quarter of previous year, a decline by 11.7 percent.

All provinces posted decreases in area harvested for palay. Eastern Samar registered the biggest drop by 43.6 percent during the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of 2019. Similarly, Leyte, Southern Leyte, Biliran and Northern Samar, posted decreases at 18.5 percent, 14.3 percent, 7.0 percent, and 2.3 percent, respectively. Samar recorded the lowest decrease in area harvested for palay by 0.6 percent.

On the other hand, yield for palay in the region slightly increased by 0.8 percent, from 3.50 Metric Ton per Hectare (MT/Ha) in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter of 2018 to 3.53 MT/Ha in the same quarter of 2019.

Among the provinces, Southern Leyte recorded the highest yield per hectare at 4.52 MT/Ha during the 3rd quarter of 2019. This figure was lower by 3.5 percent compared with the 4.68 MT/Ha recorded in the same quarter of 2018. Biliran closely followed at 4.37 MT/Ha, 1.1 percent lower, from 4.52 MT/Ha registered in the same quarter of 2018. Leyte ranked third with 4.18 MT/Ha, which posted a contrasting trend with an increase by 6.3 percent from its figure in the same quarter of 2018.