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HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 2015 CENSUS RESULTS FOR THE MUNICIPALITY OF LA PAZ

Total population of La Paz as of 2015 is 19,998

The municipality of La Paz has a total population of 19,998 as of August 1, 2015 based from the results of the 2015 Census of Population. It was higher by 865 persons as compared to 19,133 total counts in 2010 and higher by 2,371 persons from its total count of 17,627 in 2000.

**Table 1. Total Population and Annual Population Growth Rate, La Paz:
 2000, 2010 and 2015**

Area	Total Population			Population Growth Rate (PGR)	
	As of May 1, 2000	As of May 1, 2010	As of August 1, 2015	2000- 2010	2010- 2015
La Paz	17,627	19,133	19,998	0.82	0.85

Its population in 2015 comprised 1.2 percent of the total population of Leyte (excluding Tacloban City). It grew at the rate of 0.85 percent annually from 2010 to 2015, which is higher by 0.02 percentage point from its population growth rate in 2000 to 2010 of 0.82 percent. Among the 42 cities/municipalities of Leyte, La Paz posted as the fourth slowest growing municipality in Leyte in terms of population in 2015.

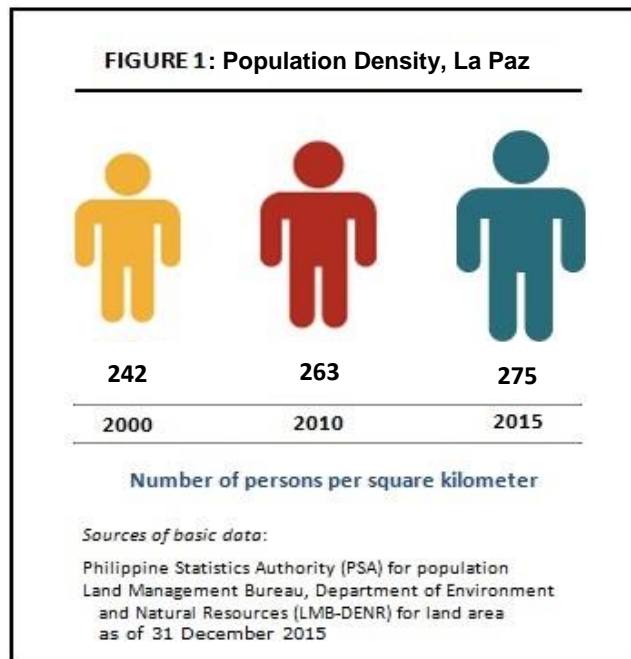
**Table 2. Household Population, Number of Households and Average Household Size,
 La Paz: 2010 and 2015**

Area	Household Population		Number of Households		Average Household Size	
	2010	2015	2010	2015	2010	2015
La Paz	19,124	19,998	4,250	4,980	4.5	4.0

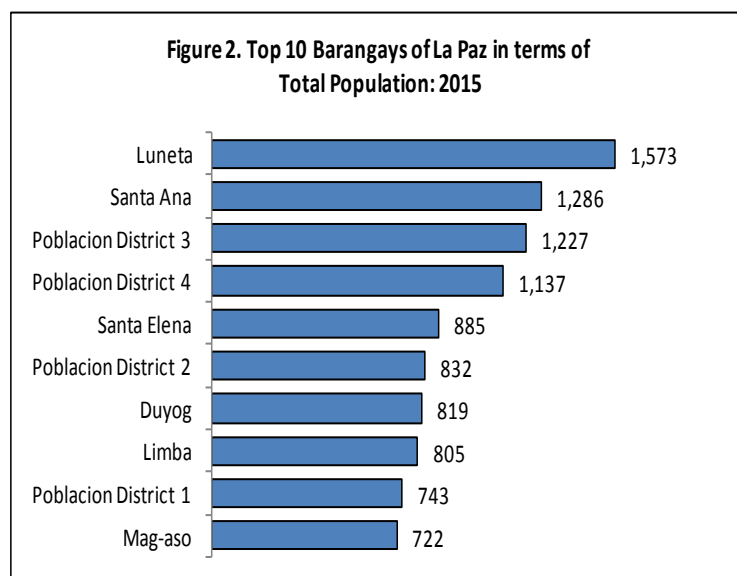
The household population of La Paz totaled to 19,998 persons in 2015, which is 4.6 percent higher than its count in 2010 at 19,124 persons. The entire population of La Paz in 2015 comprised of household population.

The number of households in 2015 reached 4,980 higher by 730 households from 4,250 in 2010. The average household size in La Paz declined from 4.5 in 2010 to 4.0 in 2015.

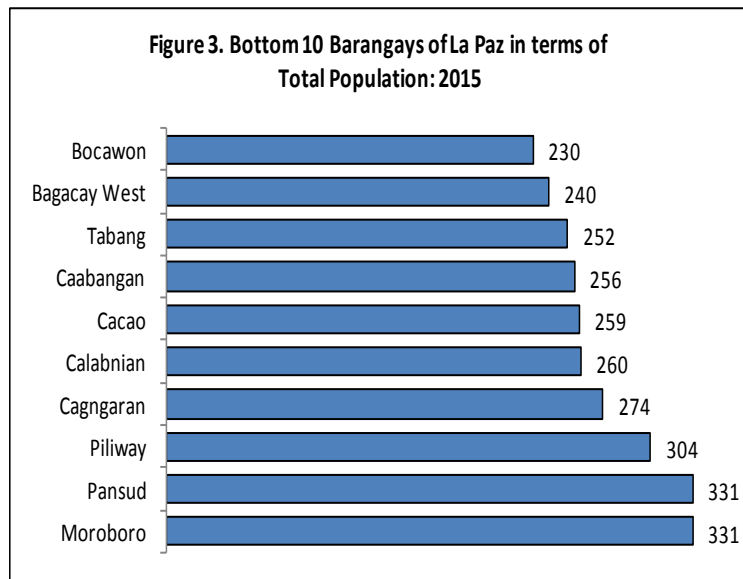
The estimated total land area of La Paz was 72.70 square kilometers as per data from the Land Management Bureau of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources. The resulting population density in 2015 posted at 275 persons per square kilometer, higher than in 2000 and 2010 at 242 and 263 persons per square kilometer, respectively.



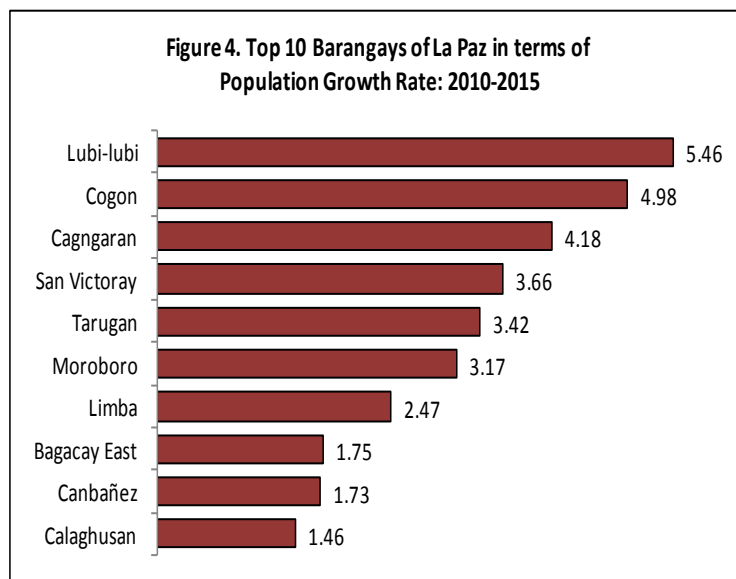
Of the 35 barangays of La Paz, Barangay Luneta registered the biggest population with 1,573 persons in 2015 or 7.9 percent of the municipality's total population. The remaining barangays which completed the top 10 barangays in terms of population were Santa Ana (1,286), Poblacion District 3 (1,227), Poblacion District 4 (1,137), Santa Elena (885), Poblacion District 2 (832), Duyog (819), Limba (805), Poblacion District 1 (743) and Mag-aso (722).



Meanwhile, Barangay Bocawon recorded the smallest population in 2015 with 230 persons which accounted 1.2 percent of the total population of La Paz. The remaining barangays which completed the bottom 10 barangays in terms of population were Bagacay West (240), Tabang (252), Caabangan (256), Cacao (259), Calabnian (260), Cagngaran (274), Piliway (304), Pansud (331) and Moroboro (331).



The top three (3) fastest growing barangays of La Paz in terms of population growth rate from 2010 to 2015 were Lubi-lubi (5.46 percent), Cogon (4.98 percent) and Cagngaran (4.18 percent). The rest of the barangays which completed the top 10 fastest growing barangays were San Victoray, Tarugan, Moroboro, Limba, Bagacay East, Cabañez and Calaghusan with PGRs ranging from 1.46 percent to 3.66 percent. Eleven barangays registered negative PGR ranging from -0.22 percent to -2.50 percent which include barangay Cacao, Caltayan, Gimenarat East, Pawa, Duyog, Bongtod, Bocawon, Gimenarat West, Piliway, Bagacay West and Pansud.. This means that their population declined in 2015.



TECHNICAL NOTES

The 2015 population counts by barangay, city/municipality, and province were declared as official for all purposes by then President Benigno S. Aquino III under Proclamation No. 1269 Dated May 13, 2016.

Census of Population refers to the complete process of collecting, compiling, evaluating, analyzing, publishing, and disseminating data about the population in the country. It entails the listing and recording of the characteristics of each individual as of a specified time and within a specified territory.

The POPCEN 2015, which is a complete enumeration of households in the country, is designed primarily to take an inventory of the entire population of the Philippines. It also collects information about basic characteristics of the population such as age, sex, marital status, religious affiliation, and highest grade/year completed. It is a source of data on the size, distribution, and composition of the population for different geographic units, that is, at the national up to barangay level. These information are vital in making rational plans and programs towards national and local development.

In August 2015, the POPCEN 2015 was conducted in all barangays nationwide. It was the 14th census of population undertaken in the country since the first census in 1903. It was the 3rd population census to be conducted in between two decennial censuses. Previous to POPCEN 2015, mid-decade censuses were carried out in 1995 and 2007.

The reference time and date for the POPCEN 2015 was as of 12:01 am, August 1, 2015. This means that all persons were enumerated as members of a household or as residents of an institutional living quarter for the said reference time and date.

Table 3. Total Population, Household Population, Number of Households, and Average Household Size, La Paz: 2015

Municipality/ Barangay	Total Population	Household Population	Number of Households	Average Household Size
LA PAZ	19,998	19,998	4,980	4.0
Bagacay East	607	607	150	4.0
Bagacay West	240	240	62	3.9
Bongtod	453	453	119	3.8
Bocawon	230	230	60	3.8
Buracan	624	624	172	3.6
Caabangan	256	256	68	3.8
Cacao	259	259	63	4.1
Cagngaran	274	274	71	3.9
Calabnian	260	260	74	3.5
Calaghusan	355	355	105	3.4
Caltayan	388	388	110	3.5
Canbañez	558	558	126	4.4
Cogon	355	355	84	4.2

Municipality/ Barangay	Total Population	Household Population	Number of Households	Average Household Size
Duyog	819	819	194	4.2
Gimena East	519	519	125	4.2
Gimena West	425	425	107	4.0
Limba	805	805	198	4.1
Lubi-lubi	562	562	143	3.9
Luneta	1,573	1,573	395	4.0
Mag-aso	722	722	171	4.2
Moroboro	331	331	77	4.3
Pansud	331	331	86	3.8
Pawa	525	525	130	4.0
Piliway	304	304	77	3.9
Poblacion District 1	743	743	174	4.3
Poblacion District 2	832	832	192	4.3
Poblacion District 3	1,227	1,227	315	3.9
Poblacion District 4	1,137	1,137	260	4.4
Quiong	380	380	97	3.9
Rizal	596	596	146	4.1
San Victoray	465	465	117	4.0
Santa Ana	1,286	1,286	298	4.3
Santa Elena	885	885	236	3.8
Tabang	252	252	62	4.1
Tarugan	420	420	116	3.6

Source: 2015 Census of Population, Philippine Statistics Authority