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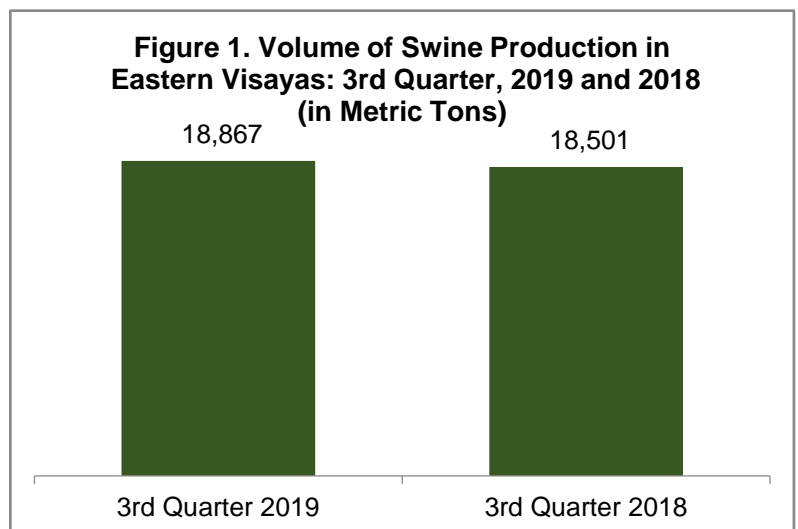
SWINE SITUATION REPORT 3rd Quarter 2019

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SWINE PRODUCTION IN EASTERN VISAYAS INCREASES BY 2.0 PERCENT

The swine production in Eastern Visayas increased by 2.0 percent from 18,501 Metric Tons (MT) in the 3rd quarter of 2018 to 18,867 MT in the same quarter of 2019.

Eastern Visayas ranked seventh among the regions with low swine production in the country. It accounted for 3.4 percent only of the country's total swine production (Table 1).

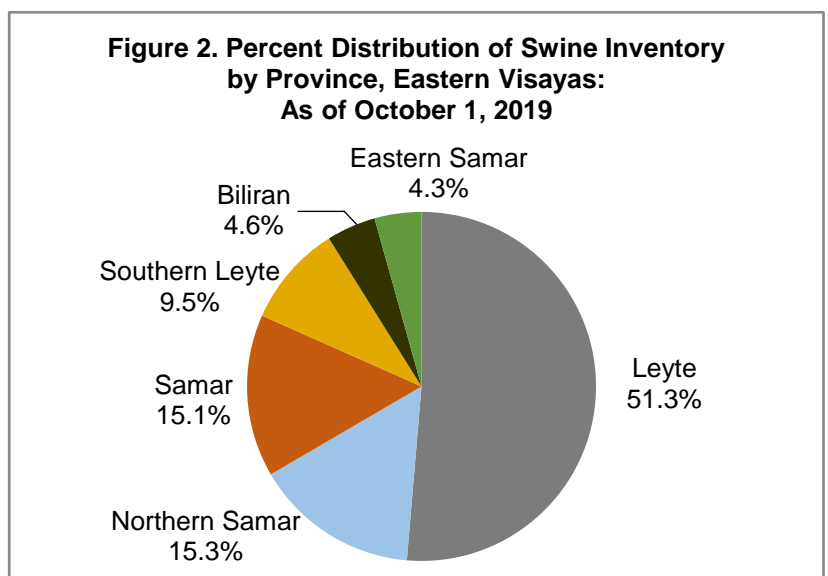


Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

SWINE POPULATION DECLINES BY 6.5 PERCENT

The swine population in Eastern Visayas as of 1 October 2019 stood at 302,044 heads. This figure was lower by 6.5 percent compared with the 323,170 heads as of 1 October 2018.

All provinces contributed to the decrease in the region's swine population except for Biliran, which posted an increase by 12.0 percent.



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

Among provinces, Leyte recorded the highest swine population at 155,071 heads, which accounted for 51.3 percent of the total swine population in the region. Northern Samar ranked second with 46,076 heads accounting for 15.3 percent of the region's total swine inventory. Eastern Samar, meanwhile, registered the lowest inventory of swine with 4.3 percent share or 13,121 heads (Figure 2).

By farm type, swine population raised in commercial farms posted the highest increase by 16.0 percent, from 12,195 heads as of 1 October 2018 to 14,141 heads as of 1 October 2019. Biliran's commercial swine population more than doubled, from 535 heads as of 1 October 2018 to 1,130 heads as of 1 October 2019. Northern Samar and Southern Leyte also increased by 39.4 percent and 10.9 percent, respectively. Eastern Samar's commercial swine population downsized by 7.1 percent from 506 heads as of 1 October 2018 to 470 heads as of 1 October 2019 (Table 2).

On the contrary, swine population raised in backyard farms went down by 7.4 percent, from 310,975 heads as of 1 October 2018 to 287,903 heads as of 1 October 2019. All provinces registered decreases except Biliran, which posted an increase of 7.4 percent. Eastern Samar recorded the highest decrease by 34.8 percent, from 19,400 heads as of 1 October 2018 to 12,651 heads as of 1 October 2019.

Majority (95.3 percent) of the swine population were raised in backyard farms while only 4.7 percent of the swine were reared in commercial farms.

AVERAGE FARMGATE PRICES OF HOGS UPGRADED FOR SLAUGHTER AND BREEDING POSTS DECREASE DURING THE 3rd QUARTER OF 2019

The average farmgate price of hogs upgraded for slaughter during the 3rd quarter of 2019 was posted at Php 108.20 per kilogram. This was lower by 10.9 percent from Php 121.38 per kilogram average price in the same quarter of 2018 (Table 4). Similarly, the average farmgate price of hogs upgraded for breeding decreased by 6.8 percent from the Php 224.45 per kilogram average price for the 3rd quarter of 2018 to Php 209.22 per kilogram average price in the same quarter of 2019 (Table 3).

The highest average farmgate price for hogs upgraded for slaughter during the 3rd quarter of 2019 was recorded in August at Php 116.65 while the highest average farmgate price for hogs upgraded for breeding was in September, recorded at Php 240.64 per kilogram.

**Table 1: Volume of Swine Production by Region,
Philippines: 3rd Quarter, 2019 and 2018**

Region	Volume of Production (in Metric Tons)		Percent Change (%)
	3 rd Quarter 2019	3 rd Quarter 2018	2019/2018
PHILIPPINES	551,615	541,034	2.0
NCR	*	*	*
CAR	6,385	6,694	(4.6)
Ilocos Region	21,481	21,649	(0.8)
Cagayan Valley	17,801	17,694	0.6
Central Luzon	102,919	104,463	(1.5)
CALABARZON	96,744	89,260	8.4
MIMAROPA Region	17,979	17,906	0.4
Bicol Region	31,794	31,236	1.8
Western Visayas	46,472	45,831	1.4
Central Visayas	46,361	45,148	2.7
Eastern Visayas	18,867	18,501	2.0
Zamboanga Peninsula	17,192	17,572	(2.2)
Northern Mindanao	45,359	44,064	2.9
Davao Region	37,736	37,709	0.1
SOCCSKSARGEN	31,889	31,119	2.5
Caraga	10,545	9,997	5.5
ARMM	2,092	2,191	(4.5)

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

*NCR is exempted from BLPS and CLPS

**Table 2. Inventory of Swine by Farm Type and Province
Eastern Visayas: As of 1 October 2019 and as of 1 October 2018**

Farm Type/Region/Province	As of 1 October		Percent Change (%)
	2019	2018	2019/2018
TOTAL			
EASTERN VISAYAS	302,044	323,170	(6.5)
Biliran	13,765	12,295	12.0
Eastern Samar	13,121	19,906	(34.1)
Leyte	155,071	162,830	(4.8)
Northern Samar	46,076	50,931	(9.5)
Samar	45,460	47,605	(4.5)
Southern Leyte	28,551	29,603	(3.6)
Backyard			
EASTERN VISAYAS	287,903	310,975	(7.4)
Biliran	12,635	11,760	7.4
Eastern Samar	12,651	19,400	(34.8)
Leyte	151,821	159,350	(4.7)
Northern Samar	40,613	47,011	(13.6)
Samar	43,425	45,468	(4.5)
Southern Leyte	26,758	27,986	(4.4)
Commercial			
EASTERN VISAYAS	14,141	12,195	16.0
Biliran	1,130	535	111.2
Eastern Samar	470	506	(7.1)
Leyte	3,250	3,480	(6.6)
Northern Samar	5,463	3,920	39.4
Samar	2,035	2,137	(4.8)
Southern Leyte	1,793	1,617	10.9

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

**Table 3. Monthly Average Farmgate Price of Hogs Upgraded for Breeding
Eastern Visayas: 3rd Quarter, 2019 and 2018**

Month	Average Farmgate Price (peso per kilogram)		Percent Change (%)
	3 rd Quarter 2019	3 rd Quarter 2018	2019/2018
Average	209.22	224.45	(6.8)
July	158.19	229.52	(31.1)
August	228.82	221.97	3.1
September	240.64	221.85	8.5

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

**Table 4. Monthly Average Farmgate Price of Hogs Upgraded for Slaughter
Eastern Visayas: 3rd Quarter, 2019 and 2018**

Month	Average Farmgate Price (peso per kilogram)		Percent Change (%)
	3 rd Quarter 2019	3 rd Quarter 2018	2019/2018
Average	108.20	121.38	(10.9)
July	94.23	121.93	(22.7)
August	116.65	122.64	(4.9)
September	113.71	119.56	(4.9)

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

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