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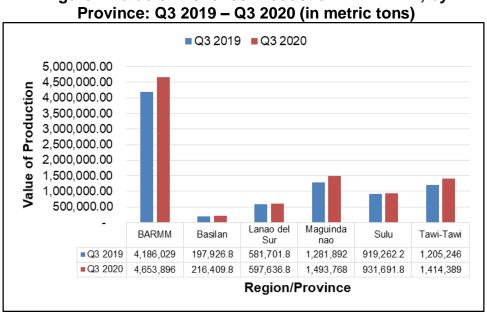
Q3 2020 Value of Fisheries Production in BARMM

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Value of Fisheries Production in BARMM increases by 11.18 percent

The total value of production of BARMM for fisheries increased by 11.18 percent during the third quarter of 2020, that is from PhP4,186,029.57 thousand in the third quarter of the previous year to PhP4,653,896.86 thousand in Q3 2020. Production in all provinces also increased by 9.34 percent in Basilan, 2.74 percent in Lanao del Sur, 16.53 percent in Maguindanao, 1.35 percent in Sulu and 17.35 percent in Tawi-Tawi.



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

Maguindanao recorded the highest value of fisheries production in the region during this period. The province contributed 32.10 percent of the total regional production. This was followed by Tawi-Tawi with 30.39 percent share, while Sulu, Lanao del Sur and Basilan contributed the remaining 20.02 percent, 12.84 percent and 4.65 percent, respectively.

Tawi-Tawi 30.39%

Basilan 4.65%
Lanao del Sur 12.84%

Maguindanao 32.10%

Figure 2 Percent Distribution of Value of Fisheries Production in BARMM, by Province: Q3 2020

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

Majority of value of fisheries production in BARMM is from Municipal Fisheries

About 51.53 percent of the total value of fisheries production in BARMM was from Municipal Fisheries. This is followed by Aquaculture and Commercial Fisheries comprising 32.61 percent and 15.86 percent, respectively. Value of municipal fisheries is derived from value of production of marine fisheries (70.51 percent) and inland fisheries (29.49 percent).

Value of production in all subsectors increased by corresponding growth rates of 3.41 percent in Commercial Fisheries, 7.39 percent in Municipal Fisheries and 22.48 percent in Aquaculture during the third quarter of 2020.

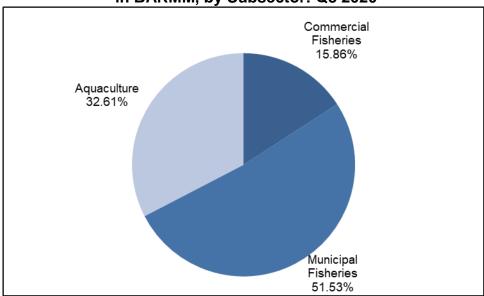


Figure 3 Percent Distribution of Value of Fisheries Production in BARMM, by Subsector: Q3 2020

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

Top 10 species comprise 68.74 percent of the total value of fisheries production

About 68.74 percent of the total value of fisheries production in BARMM was composed of the top 10 species during Q3 2020. Seaweed posted the highest total value of production in the region during this period. Its total value increased by 26.67 percent between the third quarters of 2019 and 2020. This was followed by Tilapia, Yellowfin tuna (Tambakol/Bariles), Frigate tuna (Tulingan) and Milkfish.

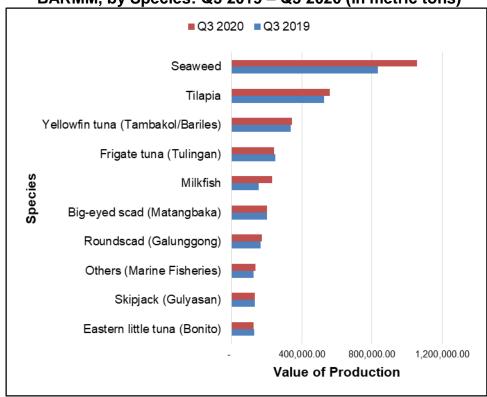


Figure 4 Value of Top 10 Total Value of Fisheries Production in BARMM, by Species: Q3 2019 – Q3 2020 (in metric tons)

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

NOTE:

All regional estimates discussed in this article is exclusive for the original ARMM territory only. ARMM legally does not exist as of writing, thus the term BARMM is used to avoid confusion among the readers.

Technical Notes:

- The Fisheries Production Survey of the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) is divided into four (4) major fisheries surveys. These are the Quarterly Commercial Fisheries Survey (QCFS), Quarterly Municipal Fisheries Survey (QMFS), Quarterly Inland Fisheries Survey (QIFS) and Quarterly Aquaculture Survey (QAqS). The commercial and municipal fisheries surveys aim to provide quarterly data on value and value of fish production by species, by region and by province. The aquaculture surveys are intended to generate quarterly data on value and value of cultured species by environment, by type of aquafarm, by region and by province.
- The survey on commercial fisheries production covered 57 provinces and cities. For municipal fisheries and aquaculture surveys 81 provinces and cities were covered.
- The sampling frames for the surveys of commercial and municipal fisheries were established in 2000 through a nationwide listing of landing centers (LCs). Updating of the lists was conducted over the years. The designed used was a two-stage stratified random sampling with the landing centers as the first-stage sampling units and fishing boats as the third stage sampling units. The landing centers were stratified based on value of fish unloaded. The province was the domain of the survey. Inland municipal fisheries included fishing in inland waters such as lakes, rivers, dams, marshes, swamps, etc. Household engaged in inland

fishing was the unit of enumeration. For aquaculture survey, the lists of brackish water fishponds, freshwater fishponds, freshwater fish pens/fish cages, marine fish pens/ fish cages, oyster/mussel and seaweed farms by province served as the sampling frames.

Concept/s and Definition:

Fisheries – all activities relating to the act or business of fishing, culturing, preserving, processing, marketing, developing, conserving and managing aquatic resources and the fishery areas including the privilege to fish or take aquatic resources thereof (RA 8550).

Fisheries Sector – the sector engaged in the production, growing, harvesting, processing, marketing, developing, conserving and managing of aquatic resources and fishing areas.

Fishing – the taking of fishery species from their wild state or habitat with or without the use of fishing vessels.

Fishing Boat – type of watercraft, such as motorized/non-motorized banca, sailboat, motorboat, etc., either licensed or not, used for fishing purposes.

Fishing Gear – any instrument or device and its accessories utilized in taking fish and other fishery species.

Fishing Grounds – areas in any body of water where fish and other aquatic resources congregate and become target of capture.

Landing Center - place where the fish catch and other aquatic products are unloaded and traded.

Seawater – inshore and open waters and inland seas in which the salinity generally exceeds 20%.

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