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CARABAO SITUATION REPORT July-September 2018

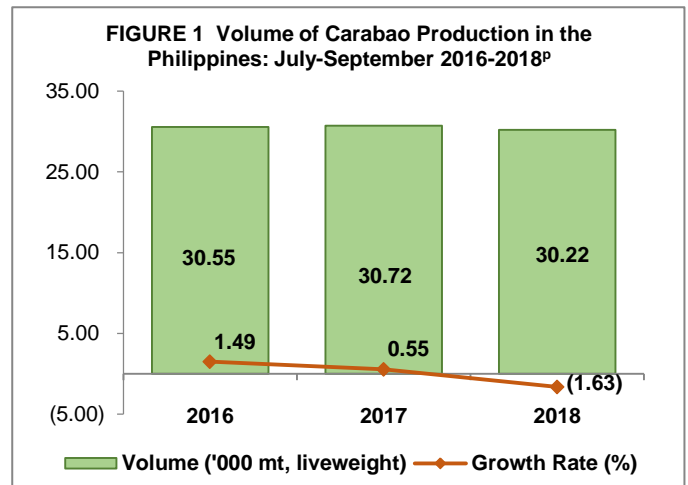
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The volume of carabao production for the third quarter of 2018 was estimated at 30.22 thousand metric tons, liveweight, 1.63 percent lower than the 2017 production of 30.72 thousand metric tons. Eight out of the 16 regions posted decrease in production that pulled down the country's total carabao production for the third quarter. (Table 1)

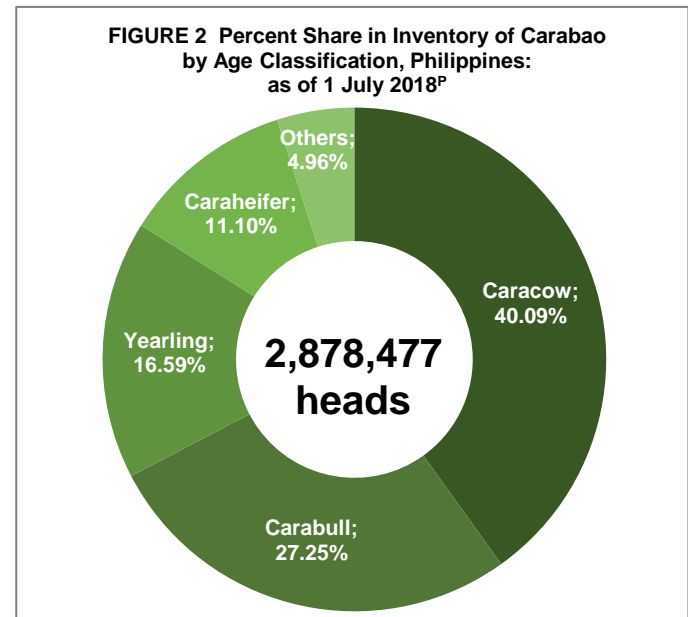
Western Visayas, Davao Region and Ilocos Region remained to be the top three producing regions contributing 33.17 percent to the country's total carabao production.

As of 1 July 2018, the total inventory of carabao was 2,878,477 heads. This was 0.16 percent lower than the total carabao inventory in 2017.

Of the total inventory, 40.09 percent were caracow and 27.25 percent were carabull with recorded inventories of 1,154,071 heads and 784,341 heads, respectively. Yearling estimated at 477,610 heads shared 16.59 percent, while caraheifer estimated at 319,567 heads comprised 11.10 percent of the total carabao inventory. Others which composed of castrated and ready to breed carabull were estimated at 142,888 or 4.96 percent of the total carabao inventory. (Table 2)



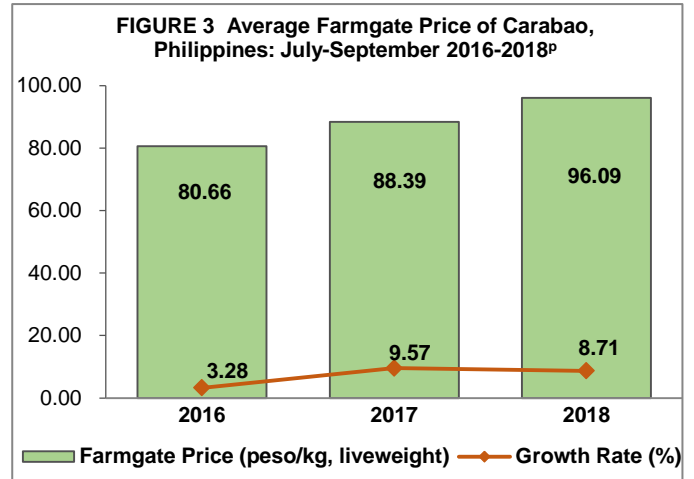
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The average farmgate price of carabao for slaughter from July to September 2018 was reported at PhP 96.09 per kilogram, liveweight. This price increased by PhP 7.70 per kilogram, liveweight, or 8.71 percent higher compared with its previous year's quotation. (Table 3)



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TECHNICAL NOTES

This Carabao Situation Report presents the carabao industry in terms of volume of production, inventory by age classification, and average farmgate price. The report was prepared to serve as ready reference for PSA's various clients and stakeholders in the agriculture sector. It is released quarterly in January, May, August and November every year.

Concepts and Definitions

Volume of Production refers to the volume of locally-raised animals disposed for slaughter which include animals shipped-out for slaughter. This is expressed in metric ton, liveweight.

Inventory refers to the actual number of domesticated animals present in the farm as of a specific reference date.

Farmgate Price refers to the price received by farmers, livestock and poultry raisers for the sale of their produce at the first point of sale net of freight.

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STATISTICAL TABLES

TABLE 1 Volume of Carabao Production by Region, Philippines: July-September, 2016-2018^p
(metric ton, liveweight)

REGION	2016	2017	2018 ^p	Difference Level	Growth Rate		Percent Share to 2018
				2018-2017	2017/2016	2018/2017	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
PHILIPPINES	30,550	30,717	30,215	(502)	0.55	(1.63)	100.00
CAR	621	590	592	2	(4.99)	0.34	1.96
ILOCOS REGION	2,213	2,257	2,138	-119	1.99	(5.27)	7.08
CAGAYAN VALLEY	1,882	1,863	1,773	-90	(1.01)	(4.83)	5.87
CENTRAL LUZON	1,144	1,155	1,052	-103	0.96	(8.92)	3.48
CALABARZON	1,432	1,442	1,400	-42	0.70	(2.91)	4.63
MIMAROPA	1,565	1,550	1,570	20	(0.96)	1.29	5.20
BICOL REGION	1,812	1,872	1,934	62	3.31	3.31	6.40
WESTERN VISAYAS	4,893	4,897	4,798	-99	0.08	(2.02)	15.88
CENTRAL VISAYAS	1,508	1,582	1,624	42	4.91	2.65	5.37
EASTERN VISAYAS	1,934	1,989	2,020	31	2.84	1.56	6.69
ZAMBOANGA PENINSULA	1,770	1,912	1,963	51	8.02	2.67	6.50
NORTHERN MINDANAO	1,983	2,023	1,972	-51	2.02	(2.52)	6.53
DAVAO REGION	3,283	3,230	3,087	-143	(1.61)	(4.43)	10.22
SOCCKSARGEN	2,099	1,989	2,029	40	(5.24)	2.01	6.72
CARAGA	700	650	670	20	(7.14)	3.08	2.22
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**TABLE 2 Inventory of Carabao by Age Classification,
Philippines: as of July 1, 2016-2018^p
(number of head)**

AGE CLASSIFICATION	2016	2017	2018 ^p	Percent Distribution	
				2017	2018
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
TOTAL	2,888,233	2,882,954	2,878,477	100.00	100.00
CARABULL (Male, 3 years old and above)	842,574	815,089	784,341	28.27	27.25
CARACOW (Female, 3 years old and above)	1,096,096	1,141,978	1,154,071	39.61	40.09
CARAHEIFER (2 to 3 years old)	303,845	313,719	319,567	10.88	11.10
YEARLING ^{1/} (0 to 2 years old)	493,384	469,373	477,610	16.28	16.59
OTHERS ^{2/}	152,334	142,795	142,888	4.95	4.96

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1/ Male and female including caracalves

2/ Include castrated and ready to breed carabull

**TABLE 3 Monthly Average Farmgate Prices of Carabao for Slaughter,
Philippines: July-September 2016-2018^p
(peso per kilogram, liveweight)**

MONTH	2016	2017	2018 ^p	Growth Rate	
				2017/2016	2018/2017
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Average	80.66	88.39	96.09	9.57	8.71
July	79.10	87.11	95.48	10.13	9.61
August	80.31	89.34	97.18	11.24	8.78
September	82.58	88.71	95.60	7.42	7.77

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