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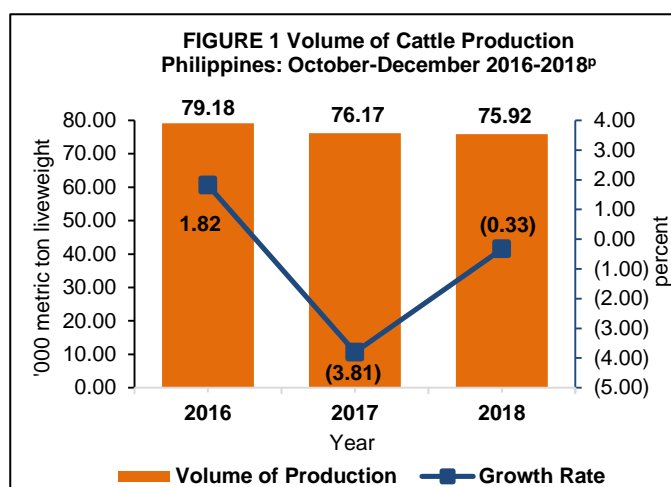
CATTLE SITUATION REPORT October-December 2018

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The total volume of cattle production for the fourth quarter of 2018 was estimated at 75.92 thousand metric tons, liveweight. This was 0.33 percent lower than the previous year's output of 76.17 thousand metric tons, liveweight. (Table 1)

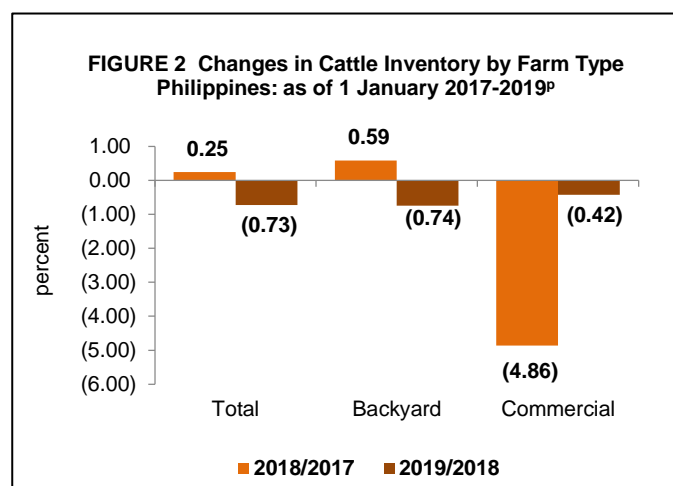
Majority of the regions reported decreases in production during the fourth quarter of 2018. Among the regions that recorded significant decline relative to their production levels in 2017 were Caraga (28.67%), Eastern Visayas (8.82%) and SOCCSKSARGEN (8.65%). (Table 1)



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As of 1 January 2019, the total cattle inventory was 2.54 million heads. This was 0.73 percent lower compared with the previous year's inventory of 2.55 million heads. (Table 2)

Both farm types reported decreases in inventory. Stocks in backyard farms recorded a decrease of 0.74 percent while commercial farms by 0.42 percent.

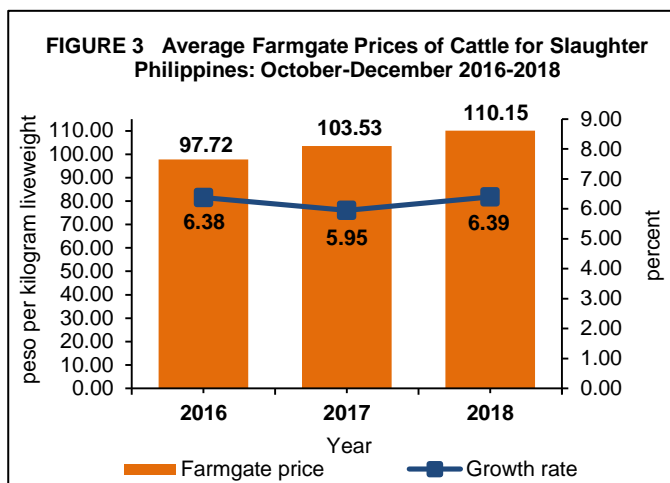


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During the period, Ilocos Region, CALABARZON and Central Visayas were the top three regions in terms of inventory. These regions contributed 33.67 percent to the country's total cattle inventory.



The average farmgate price of cattle for slaughter in the fourth quarter of 2018 was PhP 110.15 per kilogram, liveweight. This was 6.39 percent higher compared with the previous year's price of PhP103.53 per kilogram, liveweight. The highest price noted during the quarter was in October at PhP 110.97 per kilogram, liveweight. (Table 3)



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TECHNICAL NOTES

This Cattle Situation Report presents the cattle industry in terms of volume of production, inventory by farm type 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 cattle disposed for slaughter, including those which were shipped-out to other regions/provinces for slaughter. This is expressed in metric tons, liveweight.

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

Farmgate price refers to price received by raisers for their produce at the location of farm. Thus, the marketing costs such as the transport and other marketing cost (if any) incurred in selling the produce are not included in the farmgate prices.

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STATISTICAL TABLES

TABLE 1 Cattle Volume of Production by Region, Philippines: October - December, 2016-2018^P

Region	Production (metric ton liveweight)			Difference Level	Growth Rate		Percent Share to 2018
	2016	2017	2018 ^P		2017/2016	2018/2017	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
PHILIPPINES	79,181	76,166	75,915	(251)	(3.81)	(0.33)	100.00
CAR	1,026	985	985	0	(4.00)	-	1.30
ILOCOS REGION	6,248	5,782	6,241	459	(7.46)	7.94	8.22
CAGAYAN VALLEY	4,241	3,924	3,728	(196)	(7.47)	(4.99)	4.91
CENTRAL LUZON	5,133	4,524	4,433	(91)	(11.86)	(2.01)	5.84
CALABARZON	9,141	9,057	9,907	850	(0.92)	9.39	13.05
MIMAROPA	5,090	5,222	5,015	(207)	2.59	(3.96)	6.61
BICOL REGION	5,633	5,357	5,111	(246)	(4.90)	(4.59)	6.73
WESTERN VISAYAS	7,114	7,337	6,929	(408)	3.13	(5.56)	9.13
CENTRAL VISAYAS	8,187	7,838	7,655	(183)	(4.26)	(2.33)	10.08
EASTERN VISAYAS	554	510	465	(45)	(7.94)	(8.82)	0.61
ZAMBOANGA PENINSULA	3,096	2,973	2,911	(62)	(3.97)	(2.09)	3.83
NORTHERN MINDANAO	10,335	9,381	9,500	119	(9.23)	1.27	12.51
DAVAO REGION	3,696	3,934	3,927	(7)	6.44	(0.18)	5.17
SOCCKSARGEN	5,119	4,418	4,036	(382)	(13.69)	(8.65)	5.32
Caraga	492	443	316	(127)	(9.96)	(28.67)	0.42
ARMM	4,076	4,481	4,756	275	9.94	6.14	6.26

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**TABLE 2 Cattle Inventory by FarmType and by Region,
Philippines: as of January 1, 2017-2019^p
(number of head)**

Region	Inventory (number of head)			Difference Level	Growth Rate		Percent Share to 2019
	2017	2018	2019 ^p		2018/2017	2019/2018	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
TOTAL							
PHILIPPINES	2,547,614	2,553,937	2,535,414	(18,523)	0.25	(0.73)	100.00
CAR	59,213	57,796	55,528	(2,268.00)	(2.39)	(3.92)	2.19
Ilocos Region	300,323	299,111	302,494	3,383.00	(0.40)	1.13	11.93
Cagayan Valley	181,628	182,865	186,511	3,646.00	0.68	1.99	7.36
Central Luzon	198,760	206,781	203,535	(3,246.00)	4.04	(1.57)	8.03
CALABARZON	271,948	271,288	269,677	(1,611.00)	(0.24)	(0.59)	10.64
MIMAROPA Region	93,169	90,195	77,151	(13,044.00)	(3.19)	(14.46)	3.04
Bicol Region	111,792	112,950	114,996	2,046.00	1.04	1.81	4.54
Western Visayas	247,817	244,683	243,979	(704.00)	(1.26)	(0.29)	9.62
Central Visayas	275,012	275,617	281,343	5,726.00	0.22	2.08	11.10
Eastern Visayas	22,027	21,812	21,045	(767.00)	(0.98)	(3.52)	0.83
Zamboanga Peninsula	112,816	113,244	110,584	(2,660.00)	0.38	(2.35)	4.36
Northern Mindanao	240,859	244,908	227,746	(17,162.00)	1.68	(7.01)	8.98
Davao Region	139,802	139,665	138,851	(814.00)	(0.10)	(0.58)	5.48
SOCCSKSARGEN	203,687	201,674	197,911	(3,763.00)	(0.99)	(1.87)	7.81
Caraga	18,818	18,941	19,018	77.00	0.65	0.41	0.75
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BACKYARD							
PHILIPPINES	2,389,191	2,403,220	2,385,335	(17,885.00)	0.59	(0.74)	100.00
CAR	51,717	50,135	48,196	(1,939.00)	(3.06)	(3.87)	2.02
Ilocos Region	297,832	296,488	300,377	3,889.00	(0.45)	1.31	12.59
Cagayan Valley	153,900	153,751	155,431	1,680.00	(0.10)	1.09	6.52
Central Luzon	179,812	189,862	186,918	(2,944.00)	5.59	(1.55)	7.84
CALABARZON	262,822	262,064	260,514	(1,550.00)	(0.29)	(0.59)	10.92
MIMAROPA Region	83,100	80,628	67,642	(12,986.00)	(2.97)	(16.11)	2.84
Bicol Region	77,560	79,155	79,199	44.00	2.06	0.06	3.32
Western Visayas	244,173	242,030	241,215	(815.00)	(0.88)	(0.34)	10.11
Central Visayas	271,954	272,646	278,778	6,132.00	0.25	2.25	11.69
Eastern Visayas	19,606	19,312	18,700	(612.00)	(1.50)	(3.17)	0.78
Zamboanga Peninsula	111,963	112,715	110,119	(2,596.00)	0.67	(2.30)	4.62
Northern Mindanao	226,796	231,638	214,405	(17,233.00)	2.13	(7.44)	8.99
Davao Region	134,593	134,269	133,880	(389.00)	(0.24)	(0.29)	5.61
SOCCSKSARGEN	185,708	187,611	186,287	(1,324.00)	1.02	(0.71)	7.81
Caraga	18,334	18,509	18,629	120.00	0.95	0.65	0.78
ARMM	69,321	72,407	85,045	12,638.00	4.45	17.45	3.57
COMMERCIAL							
PHILIPPINES	158,423	150,717	150,079	(638.00)	(4.86)	(0.42)	100.00
CAR	7,496	7,661	7,332	(329.00)	2.20	(4.29)	4.89
Ilocos Region	2,491	2,623	2,117	(506.00)	5.30	(19.29)	1.41
Cagayan Valley	27,728	29,114	31,080	1,966.00	5.00	6.75	20.71
Central Luzon	18,948	16,919	16,617	(302.00)	(10.71)	(1.78)	11.07
CALABARZON	9,126	9,224	9,163	(61.00)	1.07	(0.66)	6.11
MIMAROPA Region	10,069	9,567	9,509	(58.00)	(4.99)	(0.61)	6.34
Bicol Region	34,232	33,795	35,797	2,002.00	(1.28)	5.92	23.85
Western Visayas	3,644	2,653	2,764	111.00	(27.20)	4.18	1.84
Central Visayas	3,058	2,971	2,565	(406.00)	(2.84)	(13.67)	1.71
Eastern Visayas	2,421	2,500	2,345	(155.00)	3.26	(6.20)	1.56
Zamboanga Peninsula	853	529	465	(64.00)	(37.98)	(12.10)	0.31
Northern Mindanao	14,063	13,270	13,341	71.00	(5.64)	0.54	8.89
Davao Region	5,209	5,396	4,971	(425.00)	3.59	(7.88)	3.31
SOCCSKSARGEN	17,979	14,063	11,624	(2,439.00)	(21.78)	(17.34)	7.75
Caraga	484	432	389	(43.00)	(10.74)	(9.95)	0.26
ARMM	622	-	-	-	-	-	-

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(-)- no inventory as of the reference date

**TABLE 3 Monthly Average Farmgate Prices of Cattle,
Philippines: October-December 2016-2018^p**

Month	Average Farmgate Price (peso per kg liveweight)			Difference Level	Growth Rate	
	2016	2017	2018 ^p		2017/2016	2018/2017
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
Average	97.72	103.53	110.15	6.62	5.95	6.39
October	97.61	103.62	110.97	7.35	6.16	7.09
November	96.78	103.71	109.63	5.92	7.16	5.71
December	98.77	103.26	109.85	6.59	4.55	6.38

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