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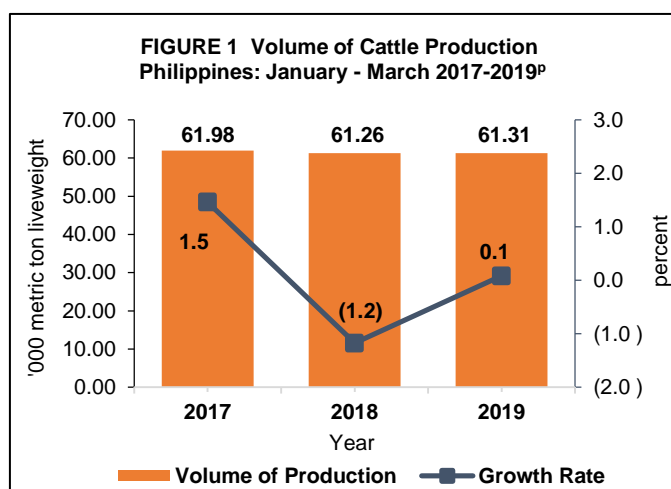
CATTLE SITUATION REPORT January-March 2019

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The total volume of cattle production in January to March of 2019 was 61.31 thousand metric tons, liveweight. This was 0.1 percent higher than the 61.26 thousand metric tons, liveweight output in 2018. (Table 1)

Nine regions recorded increases in production, ranging from 0.2 percent to 2.2 percent. The highest increment in production was reported in Northern Mindanao, from 9,807 metric tons, liveweight in 2018 to 10,027 metric tons, liveweight in 2019.

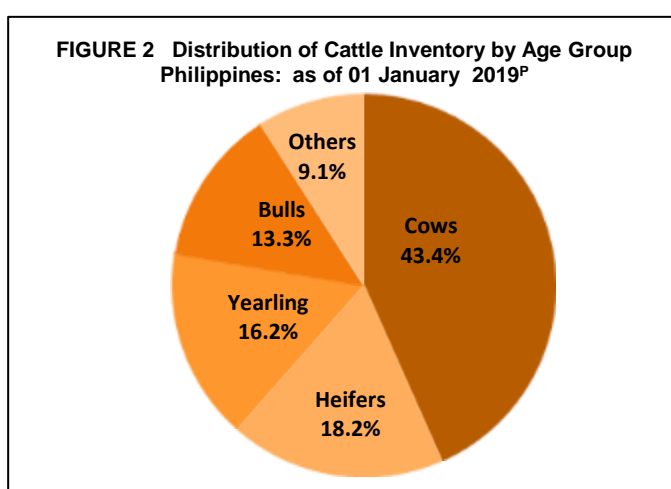


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Among the regions, Northern Mindanao was the highest producer of cattle at 10,027 metric tons, liveweight. This was followed by Ilocos Region and Central Visayas with 6,990 metric tons, liveweight and 6,074 metric tons, liveweight, respectively. These regions contributed 37.7 percent to the country's total cattle production.

As of 01 January 2019, the total inventory of cattle in the country at 2.54 million heads was 0.7 percent lower compared with its previous year's stocks of 2.55 million heads. (Table 2)

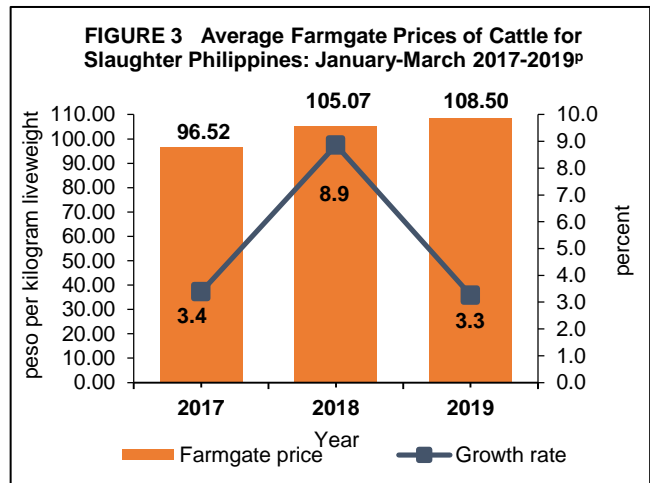
The inventory of cows as of 01 January 2019 was estimated at 1.10 million heads. This accounted for 43.4 percent of the total cattle stocks, while the remaining 56.6 percent were contributed by heifer, yearling, bulls, and others (castrated and ready to breed bulls).



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The average farmgate price of cattle for slaughter in January to March 2019 was PhP108.50 per kilogram, liveweight. This was 3.3 percent higher than the 2018 farmgate price of PhP105.07 per kilogram, liveweight.

During the period, the highest farmgate price was recorded in March at PhP109.56 per kilogram, liveweight, while the lowest was in January at PhP106.96 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 age, 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 on 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 the price received by livestock raisers for their produce at the location of farm. Thus, marketing costs such as transport and other marketing cost (if any) incurred in selling the produce are not included in the farmgate prices. Data are generated from the Farm Price Survey (FPS) conducted by the Price Statistics Division (PSD) of PSA.

STATISTICAL TABLES

TABLE 1 Cattle Volume of Production by Region, Philippines: January-March, 2017-2019^P

REGION	Production (metric ton, liveweight)			Percent Change		Percent Share to 2019
	2017	2018 ^r	2019 ^P	2018/2017	2019/2018	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
PHILIPPINES	61,982	61,255	61,305	(1.2)	0.1	100.00
CAR	1,240	1,156	1,133	(6.8)	(2.0)	1.85
Ilocos Region	6,902	6,898	6,990	(0.1)	1.3	11.40
Cagayan Valley	3,801	3,782	3,801	(0.5)	0.5	6.20
Central Luzon	3,735	4,306	4,265	15.3	(1.0)	6.96
CALABARZON	5,285	4,899	4,775	(7.3)	(2.5)	7.79
MIMAROPA Region	2,600	2,436	2,440	(6.3)	0.2	3.98
Bicol Region	4,359	4,286	4,364	(1.7)	1.8	7.12
Western Visayas	5,664	5,660	5,610	(0.1)	(0.9)	9.15
Central Visayas	6,213	6,227	6,074	0.2	(2.5)	9.91
Eastern Visayas	452	468	471	3.5	0.6	0.77
Zamboanga Peninsula	2,764	2,664	2,714	(3.6)	1.9	4.43
Northern Mindanao	9,901	9,807	10,027	(0.9)	2.2	16.36
Davao Region	2,872	2,785	2,820	(3.0)	1.3	4.60
SOCCSKSARGEN	3,954	3,584	3,516	(9.4)	(1.9)	5.74
Caraga	340	330	325	(2.9)	(1.5)	0.53
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**TABLE 2 Cattle Inventory by Farm Type and Age Group
Philippines: as of 01 January 2017-2019^P**

Item	<i>(number of head)</i>			Percent Change	
	2017	2018 ^r	2019 ^P	18/17	19/18
	TOTAL	2,547,614	2,553,937	2,535,414	0.2
BACKYARD	2,389,191	2,403,220	2,385,335	0.6	(0.7)
COMMERCIAL	158,423	150,717	150,079	(4.9)	(0.4)
BULL (Male, 3 years old and above)	289,590	314,267	336,303	8.5	7.0
Backyard	277,121	302,591	325,060	9.2	7.4
Commercial	12,469	11,676	11,243	(6.4)	(3.7)
COW (Female, 3 years old and above)	1,098,581	1,116,044	1,099,130	1.6	(1.5)
Backyard	1,031,362	1,050,282	1,032,876	1.8	(1.7)
Commercial	67,219	65,762	66,254	(2.2)	0.7
HEIFER (2 to 3 years old)	414,770	412,393	460,273	(0.6)	11.6
Backyard	377,248	377,906	429,211	0.2	13.6
Commercial	37,522	34,487	31,062	(8.1)	(9.9)
YEARLING ^{1/} (0 to 2 years old)	467,009	454,947	409,762	(2.6)	(9.9)
Backyard	434,969	424,695	375,187	(2.4)	(11.7)
Commercial	32,040	30,252	34,575	(5.6)	14.3
OTHERS ^{2/}	277,664	256,286	229,946	(7.7)	(10.3)
Backyard	268,491	247,746	223,001	(7.7)	(10.0)
Commercial	9,173	8,540	6,945	(6.9)	(18.7)

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^r - Revised

^{1/} Male and female including calves

^{2/} Include castrated and ready to breed bull

TABLE 3 Monthly Average Farmgate Prices of Cattle

MONTH	Average Farmgate Price (peso per kilogram, liveweight)			Percent Change	
	2017	2018	2019 ^P	2018/2017	2019/2018
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Average	96.52	105.07	108.50	8.86	3.27
January	96.12	104.64	106.96	8.86	2.22
February	96.00	105.45	108.98	9.84	3.34
March	97.43	105.11	109.56	7.88	4.23