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## Palay and Corn Production in Cebu Province 1<sup>st</sup> Semester 2021

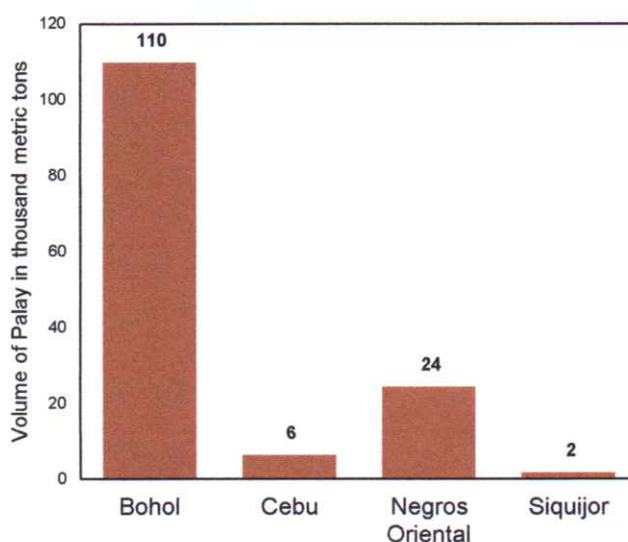
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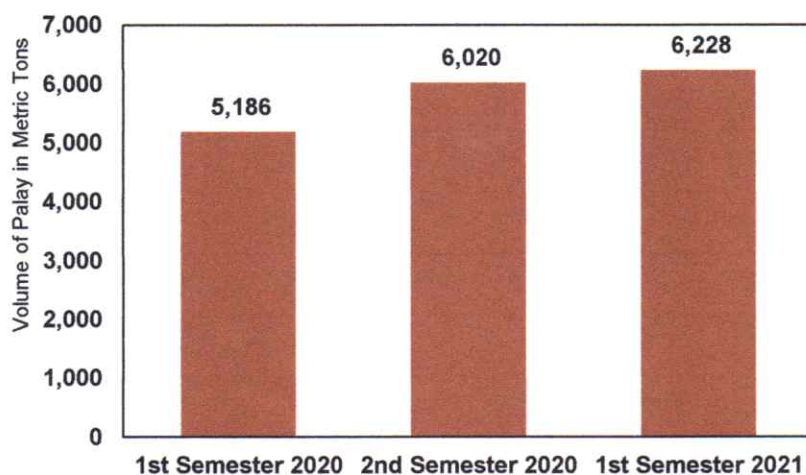
**Cebu province ranked third as the province with highest volume of palay produced**

Among the provinces in Central Visayas, Bohol produced the highest volume of palay for the 1<sup>st</sup> Semester of 2021 with 110 thousand metric tons or 77.38% of palay of the region's total share. This was followed by the province of Negros Oriental with 24 thousand metric tons or 17.11% of the same period. Cebu ranked 3<sup>rd</sup> as the province with highest volume of palay produced with 6.23 thousand metric tons or 4.39%. Followed by the province of Siquijor with 1.6 thousand metric tons or 1.11% from January to June 2021. (See Figure 1)

**Figure 1. Palay Production, by Province, Central Visayas, 1<sup>st</sup> Semester 2021**



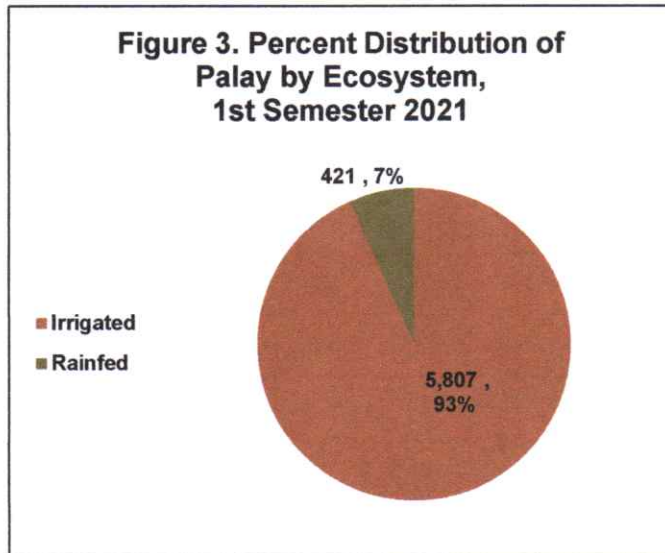
**Figure 2. Palay Production, by Semester Cebu Province, January 2020 to June 2021**



**Cebu province palay production increased by 20.10% in 2021**

Palay production in Cebu province increased from 5.19 thousand metric tons in the 1<sup>st</sup> Semester of 2020 to 6.23 thousand metric tons of the same period in 2021. The production rate rose by 20.10% in the 1<sup>st</sup> semester of 2021. (See Figure 2)

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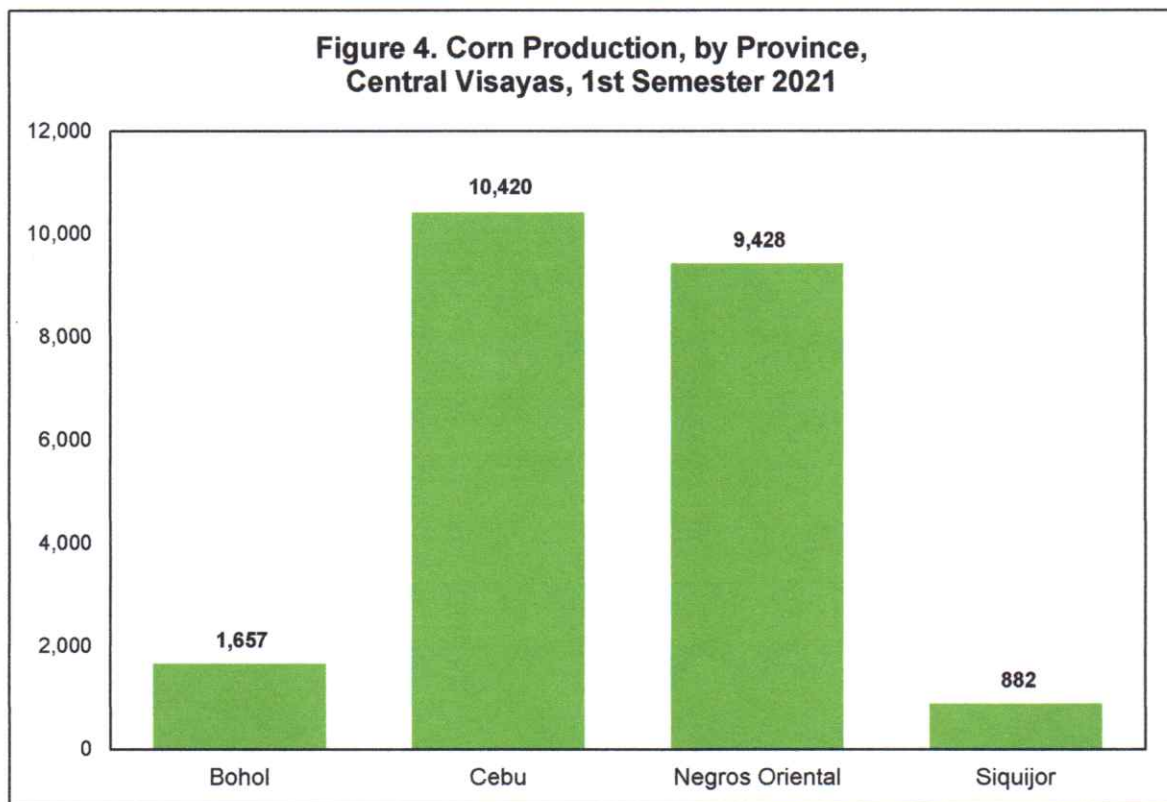


**More palay harvested in irrigated farms than rainfed**

In Cebu province, ninety- three percent of the palay are produced from irrigated farms with 5.8 thousand metric tons of the palay produced. On the other hand, seven percent of palay are produced from rainfed farms with 0.42 thousand metric tons. (See Figure 3)

**Cebu province had the highest corn production in the 1<sup>st</sup> Semester of 2021**

In Central Visayas, the highest production of corn was produced in the province of Cebu with 10.42 thousand metric tons or 46.54%. This was followed by the province of Negros Oriental, Bohol and Siquijor with 9.43 thousand metric tons or 42.11%, 1.66 thousand metric tons or 7.40% and 0.88 thousand metric tons or 3.94% respectively. (See Figure 4)

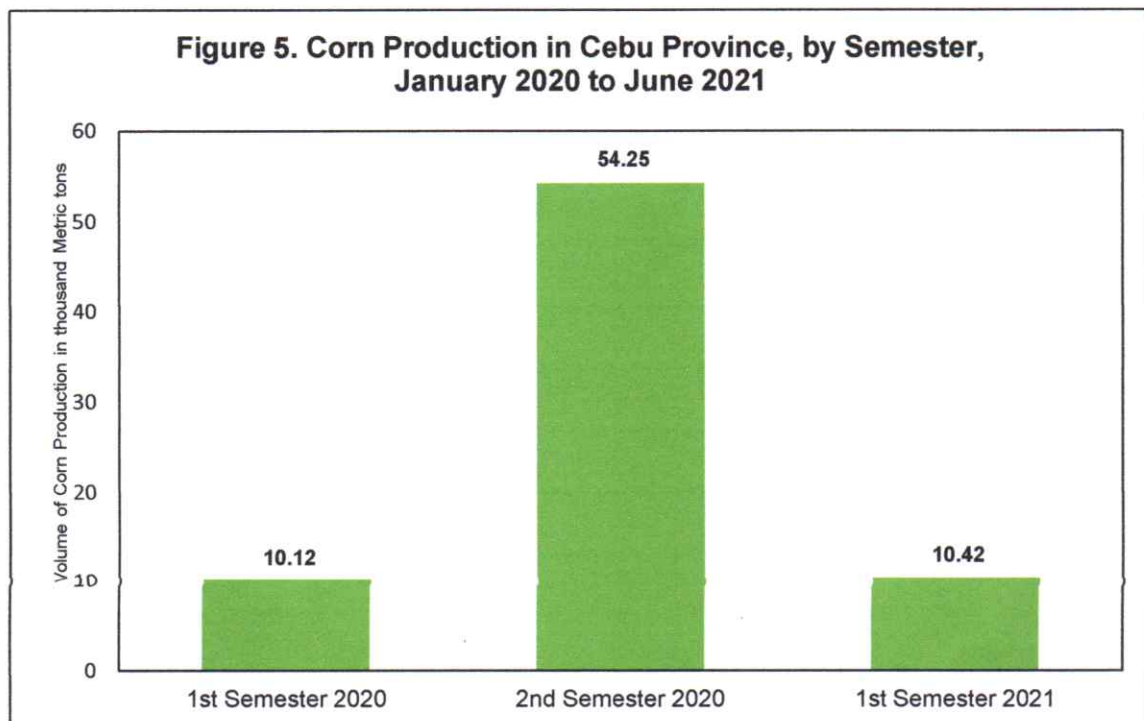


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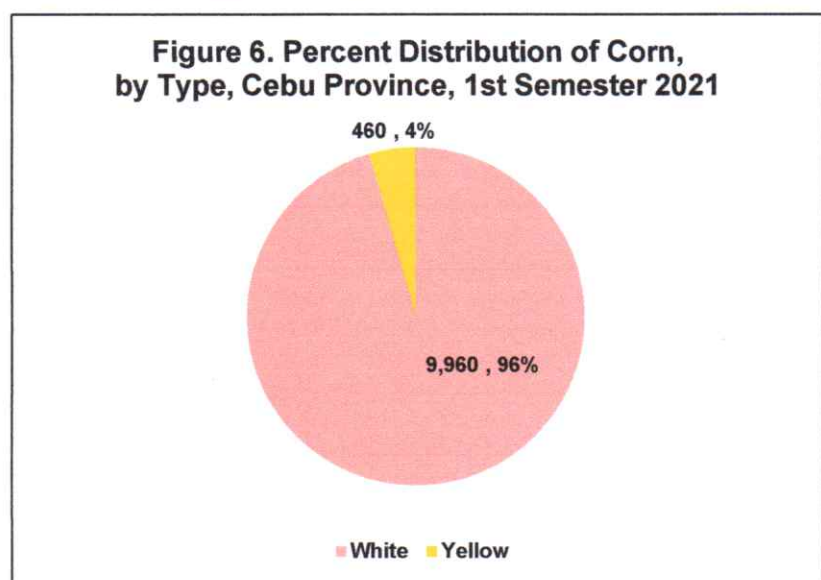
## **More corn produced in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester of 2020**

In Cebu province the highest volume of corn production for the first three semesters from January 2020 to June 2021 was harvested in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester of 2020, with 54.25 thousand metric tons or 51%. This is five times higher than the 1<sup>st</sup> semester of 2020 and 2021, considering that the peak harvest season for corn falls during the month of July to September. (See Figure 5)



## **Ninety-six percent of corn are white**

Of the 10.42 thousand metric tons of corn produced in Cebu province from January to June 2021, 96% or 9.96 thousand metric tons are white. Meanwhile, 4% or 0.46 thousand metric tons are yellow. (See Figure 6)



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**Table 1. Volume of Production of Palay, by Province/ Region, by Semester,  
 January 2020 to June 2021**  
 (In metric tons)

Region/ Province	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester 2020	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester 2020	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester 2021
Region VII- Central	103,166.78	157,357.00	141,772.00
Visayas			
Bohol	76,205.78	112,627.00	109,702.00
Cebu	5,186.00	6,020.00	6,228.00
Negros Oriental	21,102.00	37,881.00	24,267.00
Siquijor	673.00	829.00	1,575.00

**Table 2. Volume of Production of Irrigated Palay, by Province/ Region, by Semester,  
 January 2020 to June 2021**  
 (In metric tons)

Region/ Province	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester 2020	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester 2020	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester 2021
Region VII- Central	80,915.70	101,263.00	100,096.00
Visayas			
Bohol	56,370.70	65,701.00	71,120.00
Cebu	4,899.00	5,642.00	5,807.00
Negros Oriental	19,003.00	29,194.00	21,772.00
Siquijor	643.00	726.00	1,397.00

**Table 3. Volume of Production of Rainfed Palay, by Province/ Region, by Semester,  
 January 2020 to June 2021**  
 (In metric tons)

Region/ Province	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester 2020	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester 2020	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester 2021
Region VII- Central	22,251.08	56,094.00	41,676.00
Visayas			
Bohol	19,835.08	46,926.00	38,582.00
Cebu	287.00	378.00	421.00
Negros Oriental	2,099.00	8,687.00	2,495.00
Siquijor	30.00	103.00	178.00

**Table 4. Volume of Production of Corn, by Province/ Region, by Semester,  
 January 2020 to June 2021**  
 (In metric tons)

Region/ Province	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester 2020	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester 2020	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester 2021
Region VII- Central	21,208.33	106,387.00	22,387.00
Visayas			
Bohol	2,632.08	8,950.00	1,657.00
Cebu	10,119.20	54,254.00	10,420.00
Negros Oriental	8,137.05	39,476.00	9,428.00
Siquijor	320.00	3,707.00	882.00

**Table 5. Volume of Production of White Corn, by Province/ Region, by Semester,  
 January 2020 to June 2021**  
 (In metric tons)

Region/ Province	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester 2020	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester 2020	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester 2021
Region VII- Central	20,719.03	104,161.00	21,777.00
Visayas			
Bohol	2,493.08	8,526.00	1,636.00
Cebu	9,862.20	52,946.00	9,960.00
Negros Oriental	8,043.75	38,982.00	9,299.00
Siquijor	320.00	3,707.00	882.00

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**Table 6. Volume of Production of Yellow Corn, by Province/ Region, by Semester,  
January 2020 to June 2021**  
(In metric tons)

Region/ Province	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester 2020	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester 2020	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester 2021
Region VII- Central	20,719.03	104,161.00	21,777.00
Visayas			
Bohol	2,493.08	8,526.00	1,636.00
Cebu	9,862.20	52,946.00	9,960.00
Negros Oriental	8,043.75	38,982.00	9,299.00
Siquijor	320.00	3,707.00	882.00

## Technical Notes:

**Irrigated Palay** » refers to type of palays that are grown in irrigation facilities that supply water to the farm through artificial means, like gravity, force/power, pump. etc.

**Rainfed Palay** » refers to type of palay that are grown in dikes that retain water and is solely dependent upon rainfall for its water supply.

**White Corn** » is the most common type of corn with kernels that are creamy white color, commonly used as a substitute for rice.

**Yellow Corn** » is a type of corn that has pale to dark yellow color of kernels, commonly used for livestock feed.

**Metric Ton** » is a metric unit of mass equal to 1,000 kilograms (kgs) or 2,204.6 pounds (lbs).

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