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Highlights of the Population of the Municipality of Larena in Siquijor Province, 2020 Census of Population and Housing (2020 CPH)

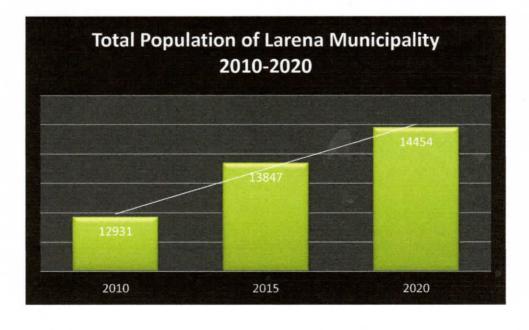
As of 01 May 2020, the population of the municipality of Larena, including Filipinos in Philippine embassies, consulates and missions abroad is 14,454 persons based on the 2020 Census of Population and Housing (2020 CPH).

The population for 2020 has increased by 607 persons from the population of 13,847 in 2015. It is also more than 1,523 persons compared with the population of 12,931 in the 2010 Census of Population and Housing. (Table 1)

Table 1. Total Population of the Municipality of Larena Based on Various Censuses

Census Year	Census Reference Date	Total Population
2020	May 1, 2020	14,454
2015	August 1, 2015	13,847
2010	May 1, 2010	12,931

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority



From 2015 to 2020, the population of the municipality of Larena has increased by 0.91% annually. While from 2010-2015, the population growth rate (PGR) was 1.31%. (Table 2)

Table 2. Annual Population Growth Rate of the Municipality of Larena

Intercensal Period	Annual Population Growth Rate (%)	
2015 to 2020	0.91	
2010 to 2015	1.31	

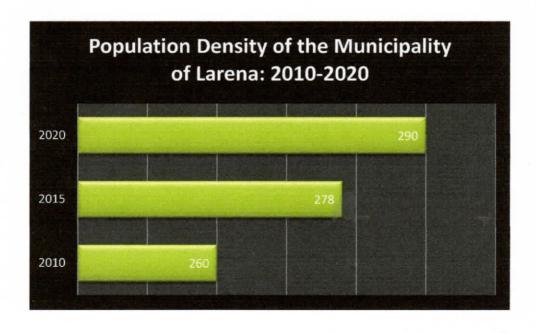
Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

With a total land area of approximately 49.81 square kilometers, the population density of the municipality of Larena in 2020 was posted at 290 persons per square kilometer. This represents an increase of 12 persons per square kilometer from the population density of 278 persons per square kilometer in 2015. In 2010, there were 260 persons residing in every square kilometer of land. (Table 3)

Table 3. The Municipality of Larena Population Density Based on Various Censuses

Census Year	Area (in Square Km)	Population Density (Persons Per Sq. Km.)
2010	49.81	260
2015	49.81	278
2020	49.81	290

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority



The municipality of Larena ranked 4th among the six municipalities in Siquijor province with 14,454 persons. It is composed of 23 barangays.

Out of the 23 barangays in this municipality, Barangay Helen was the most populous in 2020 with 1,348 persons followed by Barangays Nonoc and Sandugan at 1,176 persons and 1,077 persons respectively. Table 4.

Table 4. Five Most Populous Barangays in Larena: 2020

Rank	Barangay	Total Population
1	Helen (Datag)	1,348
2	Nonoc	1,176
3	Sandugan	1,077
4	Cangbagsa	1,039
5	Basac	1,022

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

In 2020, Barangay Ponong was the least populous barangay with 302 persons, followed by Barangays Cabulihan and Canlasog with 318 persons and 329 persons respectively. Table 5.

Table 4. Five Least Populous Barangays in Larena: 2020

Rank	Barangay	Total Population
1	Ponong	302
2	Cabulihan	318
3	Canlasog	329
4	Balolang	343
5	Bintangan	350

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

Technical Notes

The 2020 Census of Population and Housing (CPH) was undertaken by the Philippine Statistics Authority in September 2020 as mandated by Republic Act No. 10625, otherwise known as the *Philippine Statistical Act of 2013*. It was the 15th census of population and 7th census of housing that was undertaken since the first census in 1903. The 2020 CPH was designed primarily to take an inventory of the total population and housing units all over the Philippines and collect information about the demographic, social, economic and cultural characteristics and facilities of the housing units. The reference period for the 2020 CPH was 01 May 2020 (12:01 a.m.). The enumeration was delayed and conducted in September 2020 due to the pandemic problem caused by Covid-19.

Definition of Terms

Census of Population and Housing refers to the complete process of collecting, compiling, evaluating, analyzing, publishing and disseminating data about the population and housing units in the country.

Total Population is composed of household population plus the institutional population.

Population Growth Rate is an annual average rate of change of population size during a specified period.

Population Density is a measurement of the number of people in an area. It is calculated by dividing the number of persons by the area and is usually shown as the number of persons per square kilometer.

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