

## SPECIAL RELEASE

# Death Statistics Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR) 1st Quarter 2022

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Data on deaths presented in this special release were obtained from the Office of the City/Municipal Registrars throughout the region and submitted to the Philippine Statistics Authority - Regional Statistical Services Office Cordillera Administrative Region (PSA-RSSO CAR) through the Decentralized Vital Statistics System (DVSS) 2022 and 2021 of the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA)-Provincial Offices (POs) of the Cordillera Region. Information presented included deaths registered in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2022 and in 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2021. Figures presented herein are still preliminary and may differ in the final counts.

### On the Average, 2 Persons Died Every Hour in the Region

- The number of registered deaths in the Cordillera Administrative Region reached 2,868 in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2022. The figure shows an increase of 8.47 percent death incidence from the 2021 figure of 2,644. Comparing the first quarters of 2021 and 2022, almost all provinces posted an increase in the number of registered deaths with the exception of Mt Province which recorded a decrease of 7.6 percent.
- During the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2022, an average of 32 persons died daily or almost 2 persons died every hour in the Region.
- Among the provinces, Benguet recorded the most number of registered deaths during the 1st quarter of 2022, with a total of 690 or 24.06 percent share of the total recorded deaths in the Region. Abra followed with 462 deaths, Kalinga with 312, Mt Province with 280, Apayao with 233 and Ifugao with the least registered deaths at 230.
- Across areas, Baguio City has the second highest registered deaths with 661 or 23 percent of the total deaths in the region.
- In the same period last year, Baguio City recorded 642 deaths or 24.3 percent of the total registered deaths in the region. Benguet was second with 581 deaths or 22 percent. Apayao had the lowest registered deaths with 182 deaths or 6.9 percent at that time.

Table 1. Number and Daily Average of Registered Deaths:

1st Quarter 2022 and 1st Quarter 2021

	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter 2022	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter 2021	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter 2022	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter 2021
CAR	2,868	2,644	32	2021
Abra	462	418	5	5
Apayao	233	182	3	2
Benguet	690	581	8	6
Baguio City	661	642	7	7
Ifugao	230	224	3	2
Kalinga	312	294	3	3
Mt Province	280	303	3	3

#### 14 out of 25 deaths were Males

- The majority of deaths in the Region occurred mostly among males which accounted for 1,592 or 56 percent. On the other hand, females shared 1,276 or 44 percent deaths which resulted in a sex ratio of 125 male deaths per 100 female deaths.
- Abra posted the highest sex ratio with 138, Apayao ranked second with 137 and followed by Baguio City with 130. The lowest computed sex ratio of 109 male deaths per 100 female deaths was noted in Mt Province.

Table 2. Number and Percent Distribution of Deaths by Sex and by Province:

January — March 2022

		Male	Female	Male	Female	
CAR	2,868	1,592	1,276	55.50	44.50	125
Abra Apayao	462 233	268 135	19 <del>4</del> 98	58.00 57.94	42.00 42.06	138 137
Benguet	690	375	315	54.35	45.65	119
Baguio City	661	374	287	56.58	43.42	130
Ifugao	230	125	105	54.35	45.65	119
Kalinga	312	169	143	54.17	45.83	118
Mt Province	280	146	134	52.14	47.86	109

#### **Deaths Attended by Health Professionals**

- Out of the total registered deaths, 19 out of every 50 recorded deaths were mostly medically attended. When private physicians, public health officers, and hospital officials are present, a death is deemed medically attended.
- Registered deaths attended by others is listed at 38.3 percent or 1,098, while 24 percent or 687 people were not treated medically.
- Baguio City had the highest recorded deaths attended by Health Professionals with about 41 percent of registered deaths in the Region.
- Among Provinces, the least registered deaths assisted by a health professional is Ifugao with 67 deaths.

Table 3. Number of Registered Deaths by Type of Attendant at Death:

January – March 2022

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CAR	2,868	1,083	687	1,098
Abra	462	137	321	4
Apayao	233	113	90	30
Benguet	690	184	1	505
Baguio City	661	439	0	222
Ifugao	230	67	122	41
Kalinga	312	72	44	196
Mt Province	280	71	109	100

#### 4 in every 10 Corpses in the Region disposed through Cremation

- 47 out of 50 corpses in the Region were buried for the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter of 2022.
- The Province of Benguet had the most disposed corpses through burial recorded at 1 out of 4 registered deaths.

- In the Region, cremation is another option for corpse disposal. About 4.4 percent or 127
  were registered in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2022.
- Baguio City had the highest record of cremation with 106, followed by Benguet with 19.

Table 4. Number of Registered Deaths by Corpse Disposal:

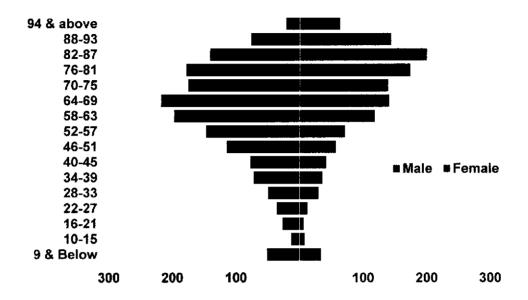
January – March 2022

CAR	2,868	2,727	127	14
Abra	462	448	1	13
Apayao	233	232	1	0
Benguet	690	670	19	1
Baguio City	661	555	106	0
Ifugao	230	230	0	0
Kalinga	312	312	<b>0</b>	0
Mt Province	280	280	0	0

#### 7 in every 10 Female Deaths occurred at age 85-87

- The recorded highest registered deaths by age bracket for male is at age 64-69 with 218 or 8 percent, whereas, females aged 85-87 recorded at 200 or 7 percent.
- 3 out of every 25 registered deaths occurred between ages 76-81.
- Deaths among females ages 94 and above were three times higher than deaths among males ages 94 and above.
- There were more male deaths between the age bracket 58-69 which accounted for 415 or 14.5 percent in the Region for this quarter. Females, on the other hand, accounted 259 or 9.03 percent which resulted in an age-specific sex ratio of 160 male deaths per 100 female deaths.
- There were 51 male deaths or 1.8 percent among the ages 9 and below compared to 34 or 1 percent for females with the same age group.

Figure 1. Number of Registered Deaths by Sex and Age Distribution: January – March 2022



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#### **Technical Notes**

Vital statistics are derived from information obtained at the time when the occurrences of vital events and their characteristics are inscribed in a civil register.

Vital acts and events are the births, deaths, fetal deaths, marriages, and all such events that have something to do with an individual's entrance and departure from life together with the changes in civil status that may occur to a person during his lifetime. Recording of these events in the civil register is known as vital or civil registration and the resulting documents are called vital records.

**Death** is a permanent disappearance of evidence of life. A fetus with intrauterine life of seven months or more and born alive at the time it was completely delivered from the maternal womb but died later shall be considered as death and shall be registered.