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### Birth Statistics Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR) 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2022

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Data on births 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 births registered in the 2nd quarter 2022 and in 2nd quarter 2021. Figures presented herein are still preliminary and may differ in the final counts.

#### Four Babies born per hour in CAR

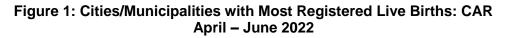
- Number of registered live births in the Cordillera Administrative Region summed up to 8,031 with an increase of 9.13% from the same quarter of 2021 with 7,359 births registered.
- There were 88 babies born daily or almost four babies born every hour, on the average.
- In comparison to the same quarter last year, four provinces reported a rise in the number of live births that were registered. The highest percentage increase was in Abra with 36.3%, followed by Apayao with 19.9%, Mt Province came in third with 18.5% and Kalinga with 10.7% percent. On the other hand, Ifugao and Benguet had a decrease of 4.5% and 0.6% respectively.
- Benguet had the most live births reported in the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2022 with 1,532, followed by Baguio City with 1,434, Kalinga with 1,406, Abra with 1,048, Mt Province with 903, Ifugao with 890 and Apayao with the lowest registered live births at 818.
- The province of Benguet had the highest daily average registered live births with 17, Baguio City followed at 15 and Kalinga with 14. Apayao had the lowest number of daily average registered live births at seven.

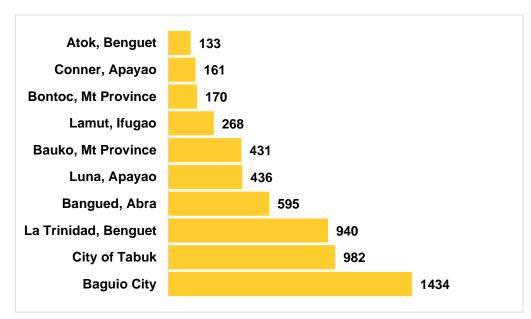
CITY/PROVINCE	NUMBE	ER	DAILY AVERAGE		
	2nd Quarter2nd Quarter20222021		2nd Quarter 2022	2nd Quarter 2021	
CAR	8,031	7,359	88	81	
Abra	1,048	769	12	8	
Арауао	818	682	9	7	
Benguet	1,532	1,542	17	17	
Baguio City	1,434	1,402	16	15	
Ifugao	890	932	10	10	
Kalinga	1,406	1,270	15	14	
Mt Province	903	762	10	8	

## Table 1. Number and Daily Average of Registered Live Births: CAR2nd Quarter 2022 and 2nd Quarter 2021

#### Almost 16 babies born daily in Baguio City

- With a total of 1,434 live births recorded, Baguio City had the most among the cities in the Cordillera Administrative Region, followed by Tabuk City, Kalinga with 982 births registered.
- The municipality with the greatest number of live births registered in the second quarter of 2022 was La Trinidad, Benguet. Followed by Bangued, Abra with 595 births, Luna, Apayao with 436, followed by Bauko, Mt Province and Lamut, Ifugao with 431 and 268 births, respectively.
- Among the municipalities in CAR, San Isidro and Danglas in Abra had the least registered live births with one and two births, respectively.

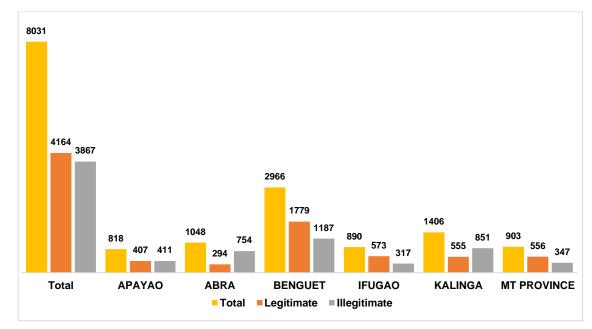




### Benguet has the highest percentage of Registered Births who were Born out of Wedlock in the Region

- 12 out of the 25 total registered live births in the Cordillera Administrative Region were born out of wedlock.
- Among the Provinces in CAR, Benguet had the highest proportion of illegitimate babies in the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2022 with 30.7%, followed by Kalinga and Abra with 22% and 19.5% respectively. Meanwhile, Ifugao had the least number of illegitimate children born at 8.2%.
- More than half of the live births registered in the Region were legitimate.

#### Figure 2: Number of Registered Live Births by Place of Occurrence and by Legitimacy: CAR April – June 2022



#### More Male babies are Born in CAR

- There were 4,207 male babies registered during the second quarter of 2022, making up 52.4% of all births in the Region, compared to 3,824 females, or 47.6%. As a result, there were 110 men for every 100 women.
- The sex ratio in the Province of Apayao was 119, higher than the regional average. Following this were Ifugao at 118, Benguet and Kalinga, all of which had the same sex ratio of 111. On the other hand, Mt. Province had the least sex ratio of 101.

Table 2: Number of Live Births by Sex and Sex Ration: CAR					
April – June 2022					

Region/Province	Both Sexes	Male	Female	Sex Ratio
CAR	8,031	4,207	3,824	110
Abra	1,048	531	517	103
Арауао	818	444	374	119
Benguet	2,966	1,557	1,409	111
lfugao	890	481	409	118
Kalinga	1,406	741	665	111
Mt. Province	903	453	450	101

#### 39 out of 50 Live Births are Medically Attended

- 78% or 6,285 births are medically attended for the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2022. Medically attended births are those attended by skilled health personnel such as Physicians, Nurses and Midwives who has been educated and provide sufficient care during birth.
- With 3,185 or 39.6% of all registered births, physicians were the most common birth attendants. Midwives came in second with 37%, while, Hilot/Unlicensed Midwives came in third with 8.4%.
- Almost 2 in every 10 of the registered live births were attended by nurses. While, 1,075 or 13.4% registered births were attended by others.

Province	Total	Physician	Midwife	Nurse	Hilot/ Unlicensed Midwives	Others
CAR	8,031	3,185	2,977	123	671	1,075
Арауао	818	616	17	16	119	50
Abra	1,048	605	88	19	328	8
Benguet	2,966	96	2,487	10	10	363
lfugao	890	452	170	31	60	177
Kalinga	1,406	789	202	28	116	271
Mt Province	903	627	13	19	38	206

#### Table 3: Number of Registered Live Births by Attendant at Birth: CAR April – June 2022

#### 13 out 50 Births in CAR born to mothers at Ages 25-29 years old

- 26% or 2,065 registered live births in the Cordillera Administrative Region for the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2022 were mostly born to mothers aged 25-29.
- Ninety two percent or 7,421 babies were born to mothers of the childbearing age of 15-49.
- A total of 762 or 9.3% of the registered live births in the Region was born to teenage mothers.

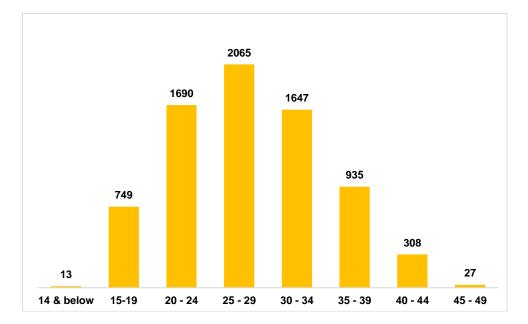


Figure 3: Number of Live Births by Age Bracket of Mothers: CAR April – June 2022

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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.

**Live Birth** is a complete expulsion or extraction from its mother of a product of conception, irrespective of the duration of the pregnancy, which after such separation, breathes or shows any other evidence of life, such as beating of the heart, pulsation of the umbilical cord, or definite movement of voluntary muscles, whether or not the umbilical cord has been cut or the placenta is attached; each product of such a birth is considered liveborn.