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BATANES VITAL STATISTICS: SECOND SEMESTER 2020 REGISTERED MARRIAGES

Explanatory 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.

The data on vital statistics presented in this release were obtained from The Certificates of Marriage (Municipal Form 97) that were registered at the Office of the Municipal Civil Registrars and forwarded to the Philippine Statistics Authority – Batanes Provincial Statistical Office. These include vital events which were registered late.



MARRIAGE STATISTICS

Basco had the highest number of registered marriages

In the province of Batanes, there were a total of 20 registered marriages in the second semester of 2020 which was equal to the number of registered marriages in the second semester of 2019. This indicates that the overall registered marriages recorded in second semester of 2020 was equal to the same period of 2019 even if there are existing limitations imposed by the government to prevent and isolate the CoVid-19 pandemic.

Among the six municipalities in the province, Basco recorded the highest number of registered marriages with 10 marriages or half of the total registered marriages. It was followed by the municipality of Itbayat with four marriages.

On the other hand, the municipalities of Ivana and Sabtang had the least number of marriages with both had only one registered marriage each. It was followed by Mahatao and Uyugan with both had two registered marriages each (Table 1).

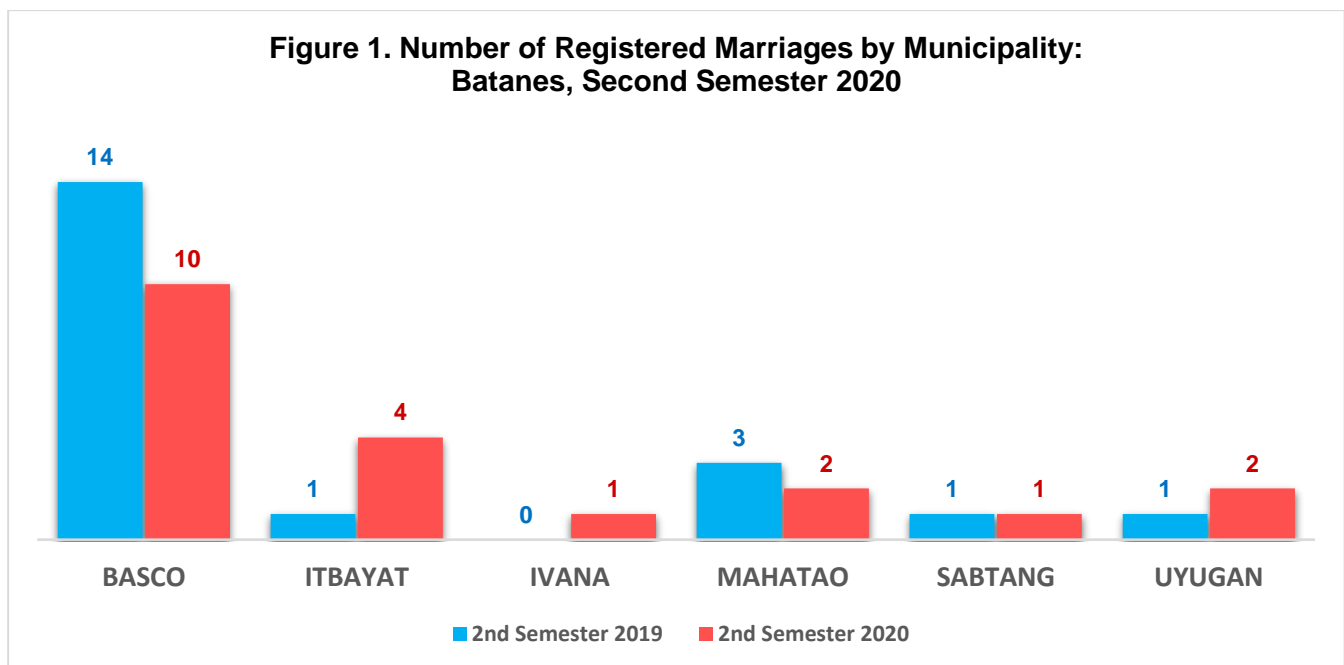
Table 1. Number of Registered Marriages by Municipality: Batanes, Second Semester of 2019 and 2020

MUNICIPALITY	REGISTERED MARRIAGES	
	2 nd semester 2019	2 nd semester 2020
BASCO	14	10
ITBAYAT	1	4
IVANA	0	1
MAHATAO	3	2
SABTANG	1	1
UYUGAN	1	2
TOTAL	20	20

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

In terms of changes, the municipalities of Itbayat registered the highest increase with an additional of three marriages in the second semester of 2020 compared to the one registered marriage in the second semester of 2019. On the other hand, the municipality of Basco recorded 10 marriage registrations in the second semester of 2020 which is lower by four marriages compared to the 14 marriages on the second semester of 2019. The municipality of Sabtang remained the same with one registered marriage while the municipality of Ivana with no occurrence of registration in 2019, registered one marriage in the second semester of 2020 (Figure 1).

Figure 1. Number of Registered Marriages by Municipality: Batanes, Second Semester 2020

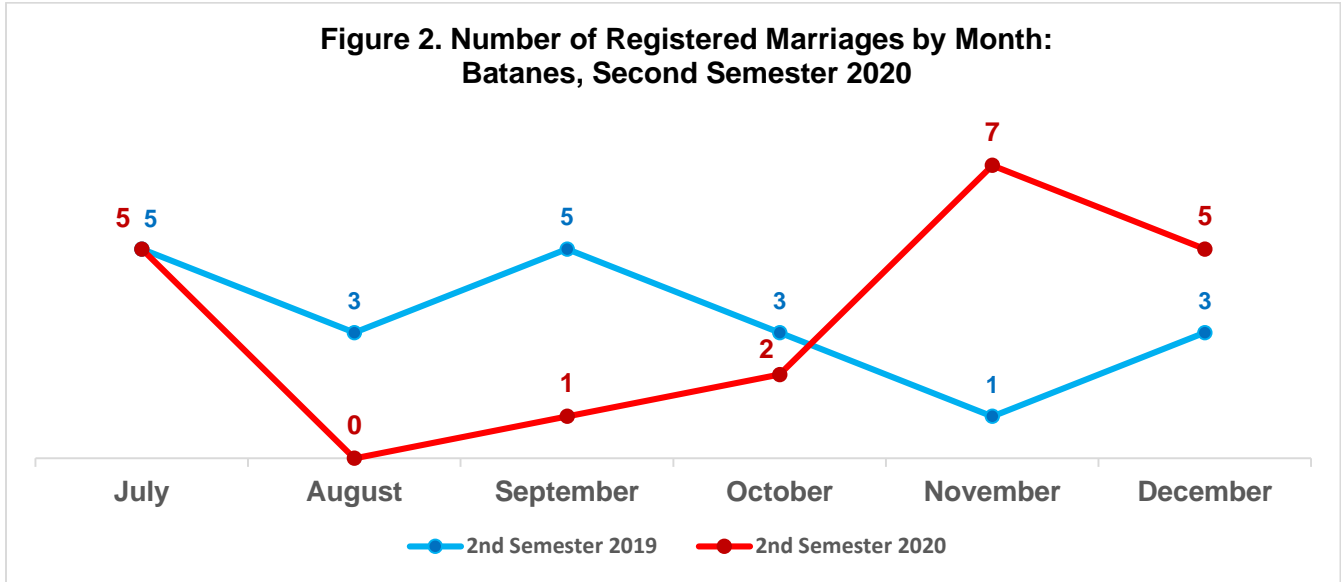


Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

Most marriages were registered in November

In the second semester of 2020, most of the marriages were registered in the month of November with seven marriages or 35 percent of the total registration. It was followed by the months of July and December which both had five recorded marriages. The month of September had the least registration of marriages with only one registration. Meanwhile, the month of August had no occurrence of marriage registration.

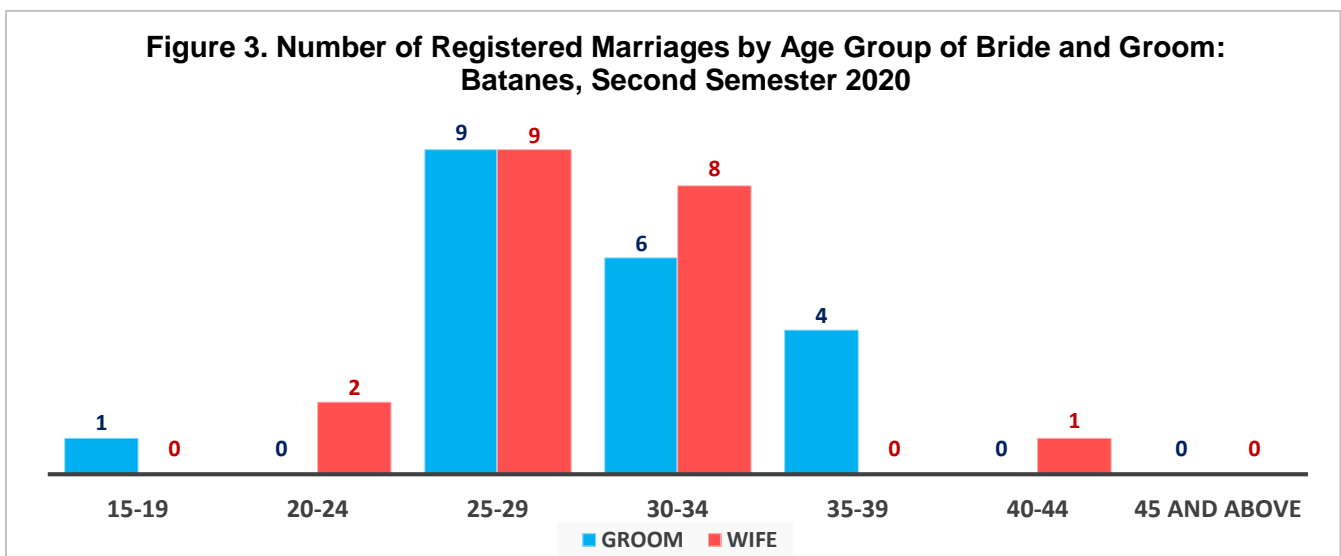
On the contrary, July and September registered the highest number of marriages in the second semester of 2019. (Figure 2).



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

Most brides and grooms married at ages 25-29 years

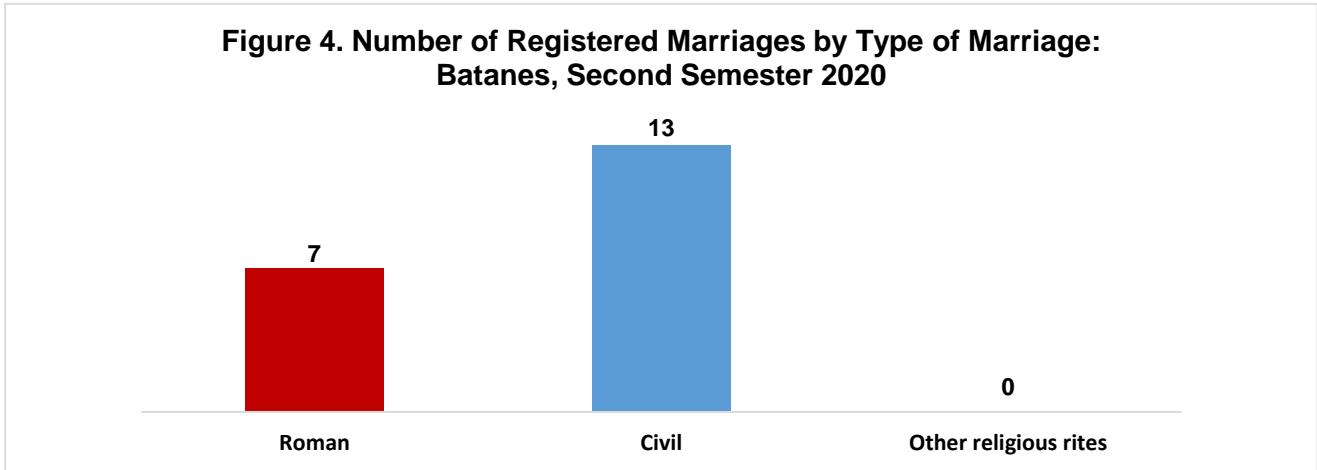
Out of 20 registered marriages in the second semester of 2020, almost one-half of the brides with nine (45 percent) were married at ages 25 to 29 years old. This is also true for the grooms who got married between ages 25 to 29 years old. Moreover, there were no occurrence of marriage registration at ages 45 years old and above (Figure 3).



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

Most marriages were solemnized through Civil Ceremony

In the second semester of 2020, most of the registered marriages were held through Civil Rites with 13 marriages (65 percent) while the seven (35 percent) marriages were through the Roman Catholic ceremony. There was no occurrence of marriage registration conducted through other religious rites/ceremony in the second semester of 2020 (Figure 4).



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority

DEFINITION OF TERMS AND CONCEPTS

Marriage is a special contract of permanent union between a man and woman entered into in accordance with law for the establishment of conjugal and family life. It is the foundation of the family, a social institution that is governed by law and not subject to stipulation.

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