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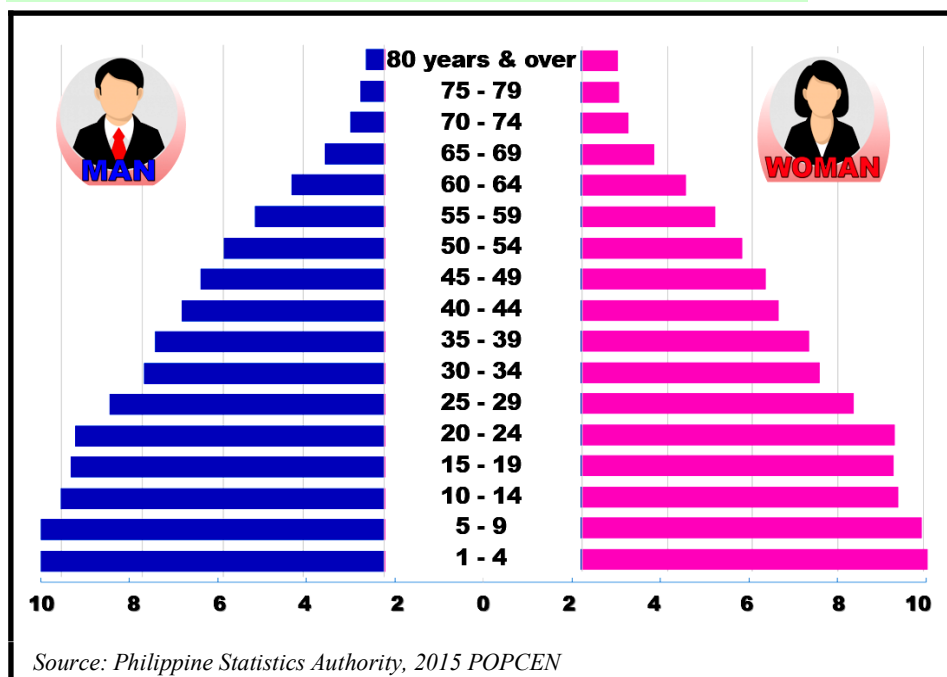
SPECIAL RELEASE

ISABELA'S WOMEN AND MEN (WAM)

The women and men of the province of Isabela are featured in this special release. The data for this special release came from the most recent censuses and surveys conducted by the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA), as well as additional data sources from various provincial line agencies that provided sex disaggregation data.

Figure 1. AGE-SEX PYRAMID OF THE TOTAL POPULATION ISABELA (in 10,000): 2015

POPULATION



The province of Isabela posted a total population of 1,593,566 persons as of August 2015 Census of Population (POPCEN 2015). The population size increased by 103,921 over its 2010 population count of 1,489,645. Among the five provinces of Cagayan Valley, Isabela has the largest population and comes in second in terms of population growth.

SEX RATIO WAS POSTED AT 104 MALES PER 100 FEMALES

Males accounted for 812,580 (50.99 percent) of Isabela's population in that census year, while females accounted for 780,986. (49.01 percent). As a result, for every 104 men, there were 100 women.

MEN OUTNUMBERED WOMEN IN ALL OF ISABELA'S CITIES AND MUNICIPALITIES

Males outnumber females in the province of Isabela's three cities and 34 municipalities, accounting for 812,580 or 50.99 percent and 780,986 or 49.01 percent, respectively. Ilagan City, the provincial capital, has the highest population, with 145,568 individuals, 50.98 percent of whom are men and 49.02 percent of whom are women. The City of Santiago came in second with 134,830 people, 50.54 percent of whom are men and 49.46 percent of whom are women, followed by the City of Cauayan with 129,523, 50.95 percent of whom are men and 49.05 percent of whom are women.

With a total population of 4,253, the Municipality of Maconacon was one of the five least populated areas in the province of Isabela, with 52.13 percent men and 47.87 percent women. Following that, the Dinapigue Municipality had a total population of 5,005, with 53.23 males and 46.77 females. The Municipality of Divilacan is next, with a population of 5,687 people, 52.79 of whom are men and 47.21 of whom are women. Palanan came in fourth place, with a population of 17,260 people, 52.58 percent of whom were male and 47.42 percent of whom were female. With a population of 19,326 people, the Municipality of Luna is the fifth least populous area in the province, with 50.69 percent males and 49.31 percent females.

Table 1. TOTAL POPULATION BY CITY/MUNICIPALITY AND BY SEX, ISABELA: 2015

CITY/MUNICIPALITY	MALE	FEMALE	CITY/MUNICIPALITY	MALE	FEMALE
ISABELA	812,580	780,986	MALLIG	15,575	14,884
ALICIA	36,395	35,109	NAGUILIAN	16,233	15,669
ANGADANAN	22,023	21,038	PALANAN	9,075	8,185
AURORA	17,813	17,204	QUEZON	13,352	12,508
BENITO SOLIVEN	15,343	14,281	QUIRINO	12,535	11,966
BURGOS	12,222	11,562	RAMON	26,864	25,843
CABAGAN	25,428	24,746	REINA MERCEDES	13,631	13,367
CABATUAN	19,861	19,552	ROXAS	31,278	30,495
CITY OF CAUAYAN	65,995	63,528	SAN AGUSTIN	11,669	11,211
CORDON	21,956	20,970	SAN GUILLERMO	10,646	9,554
DELFIN ALBANO (MAGSAYSAY)	13,580	13,034	SAN ISIDRO	12,689	12,172
DINAPIGUE	2,664	2,341	SAN MANUEL	16,383	15,513
DIVILACAN	3,002	2,685	SAN MARIANO	28,762	26,608
ECHAGUE	40,437	38,657	SAN MATEO	32,591	31,914
GAMU	15,106	14,798	SAN PABLO	12,831	12,553
ILAGAN City (Capital)	74,208	71,360	SANTA MARIA	13,034	12,348
JONES	23,162	22,504	CITY OF SANTIAGO	68,142	66,688
LUNA	9,797	9,529	SANTO TOMAS	11,700	11,305
MACONACON	2,217	2,036	TUMAUINI	34,381	33,269

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 2015 POPCEN

MEDIAN AGE WAS 25.4 YEARS

Furthermore, 30.5 percent of the population was under the age of 15. Children aged 0 to 4 years made up the largest age group (10.4 percent), followed by those aged 5 to 9 years (10.3 percent) and 10 to 14 years (10.3 percent) (9.7 percent). In the age brackets 0 to 59, males outnumbered females. In the age groups 60 and up, on the other hand, there were more females than males.

Table 2. TOTAL POPULATION, BY AGE GROUP, SEX AND CITY/MUNICIPALITY, ISABELA: 2015

AGE GROUP AND CITY/MUNICIPALITY	BOTH SEXES	MALE	FEMALE	AGE GROUP AND CITY/MUNICIPALITY	BOTH SEXES	MALE	FEMALE
ISABELA							
All Ages	1,593,566	812,580	780,986	55 - 59	63,125	32,012	31,113
Under 1	32,033	16,510	15,523	60 - 64	47,389	23,034	24,355
1 - 4	133,997	68,595	65,402	65 - 69	31,510	14,655	16,855
5 - 9	164,851	85,180	79,671	70 - 74	19,387	8,406	10,981
10 - 14	154,398	80,176	74,222	75 - 79	14,556	5,799	8,757
15 - 19	150,859	77,727	73,132	80 years and over	12,738	4,461	8,277
20 - 24	149,721	76,455	73,266	0 - 4	166,030	85,105	80,925
25 - 29	131,837	68,045	63,792	0 - 14	485,279	250,461	234,818
30 - 34	115,086	59,422	55,664	15 - 64	1,030,096	528,798	501,298
35 - 39	110,024	56,853	53,171	18 years and over	1,018,087	515,285	502,802
40 - 44	96,304	50,146	46,158	60 years and over	125,580	56,355	69,225
45 - 49	88,492	45,455	43,037	65 years and over	78,191	33,321	44,870
50 - 54	77,259	39,649	37,610				

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 2015 POPCEN

MORE THAN HALF OF THE TOTAL POPULATION WAS OF MALE VOTING-AGE

In 2015, the voting-age population (1.02 million individuals) accounted for 62.0 percent of the province's total population. Males made up 50.6 percent of the voting-age population, while females made up 49.4 percent.

IN ISABELA, THERE WERE MORE MALES THAN FEMALES AMONG THE NEVER-MARRIED INDIVIDUALS.

Of the 1.26 million total adult population, 51.2 percent was married while 38.3 percent

Figure 2. ADULT POPULATION BY MARITAL STATUS AND SEX, ISABELA: 2015

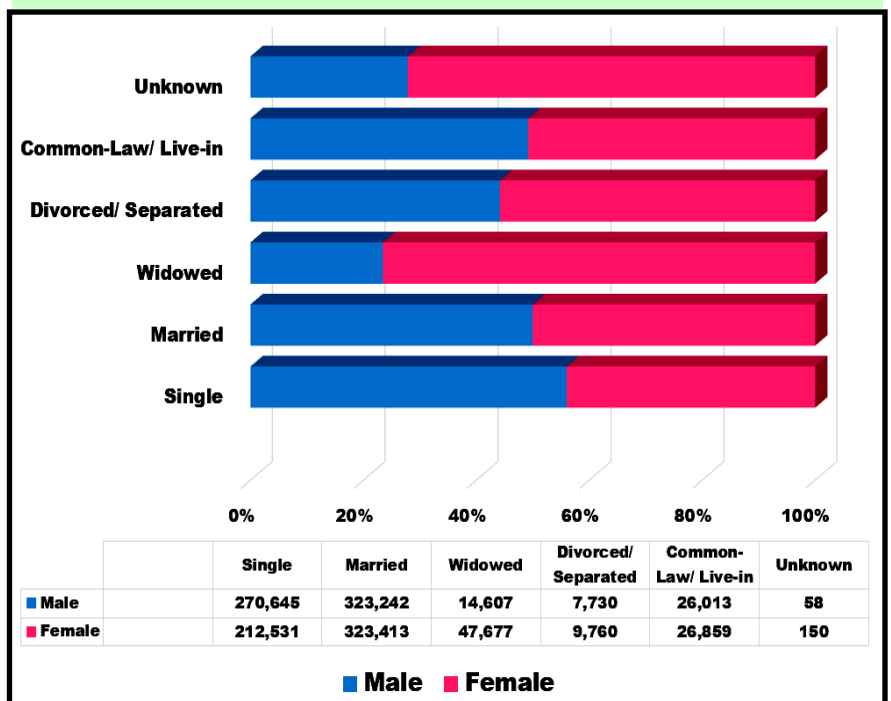
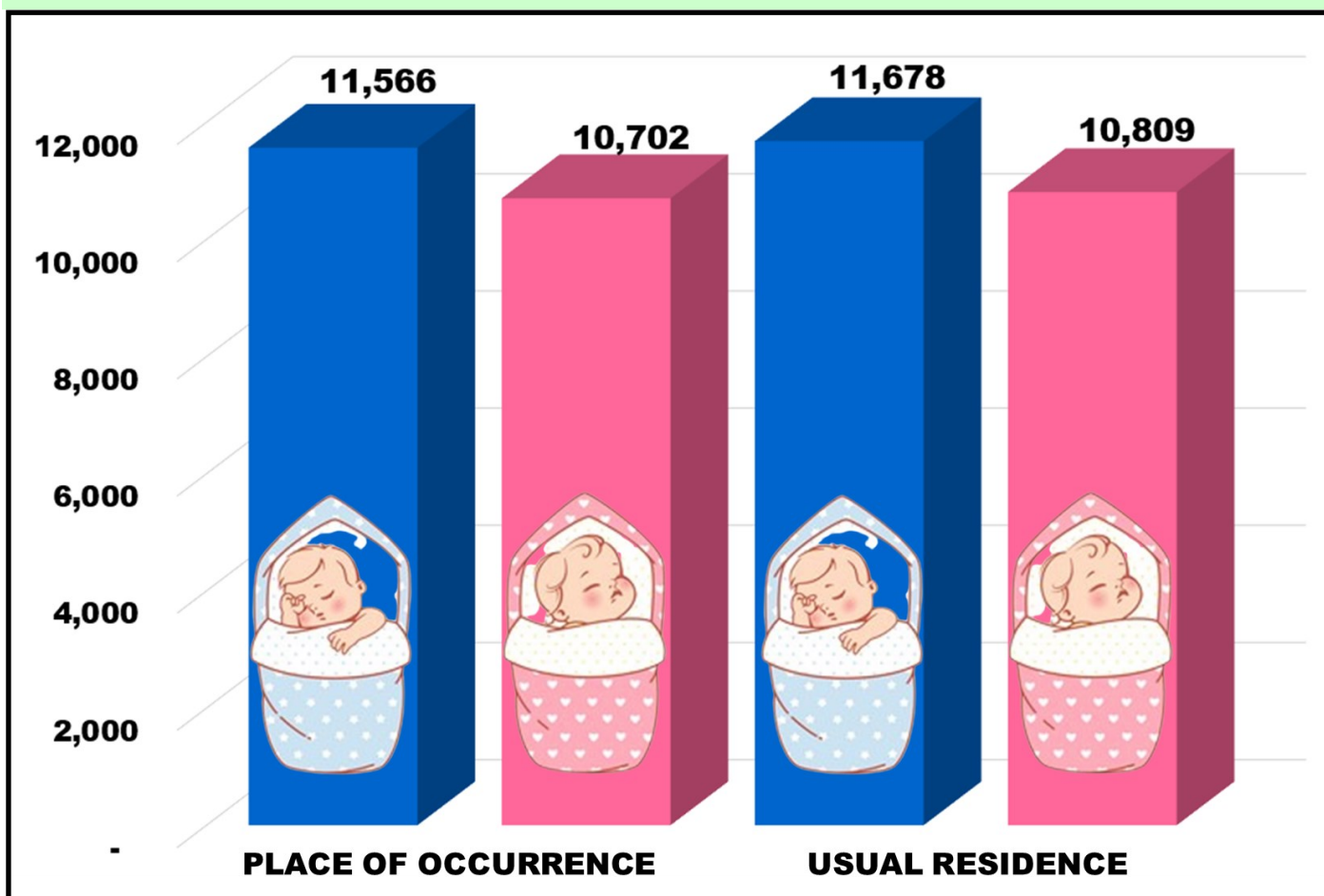


Figure 3 NUMBER OF REGISTERED LIVE BIRTHS BY SEX, PLACE OF OCCURRENCE, AND USUAL RESIDENCE OF MOTHER, ISABELA: 2020



was never-married. The rest of the total population was categorized as widowed (4.9 percent), common-law/ live-in marital arrangements (4.2 percent), and divorced/separated people (1.4 percent).

Men made up 56.0 percent of never-marrieds, while women made up 44.0 percent. Females, on the other hand, outweighed males in the other marital status groups.

MALES OUTNUMBERED FEMALES UN THE REGISTERED BIRTHS OF 2020



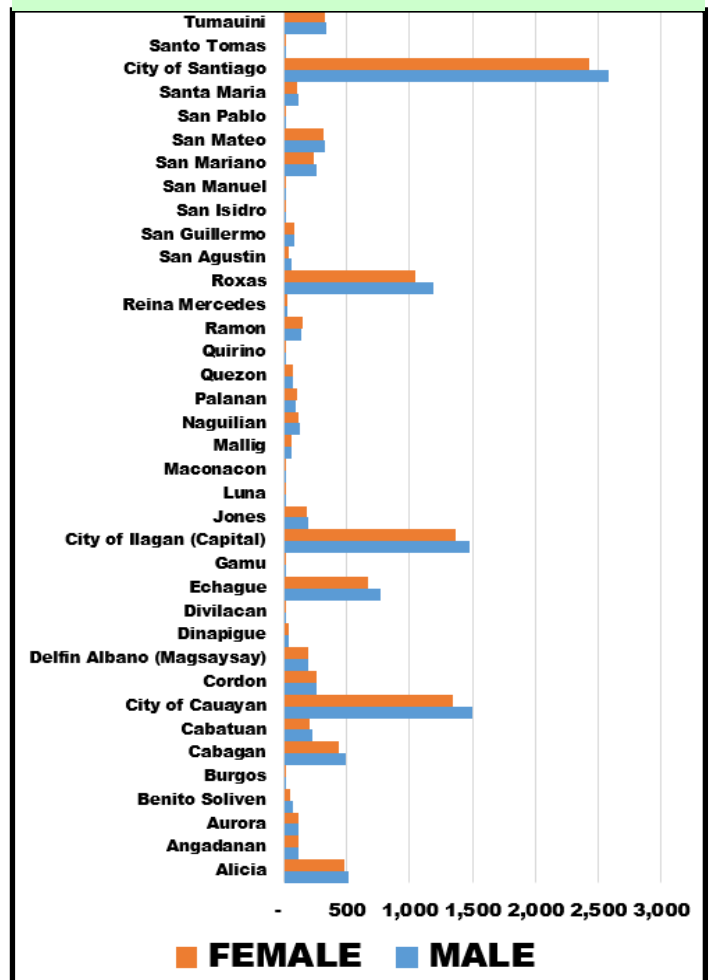
In the province of Isabela, there were 22,268 live births registered from January to December 2020. This is a decrease of 8.45 percent from the 24,322 live births registered in 2019. This resulted in an average daily incidence of 61 newborns, or three babies every hour.

By place of occurrence and usual residence of the mother, males outnumbered females by 11,566 (51.94 percent) to 10,702 (48.06 percent), resulting in a sex ratio of 108 males per 100 females.

Table 3. NUMBER OF REGISTERED LIVE BIRTHS BY SEX, PLACE OF OCCURRENCE AND USUAL RESIDENCE, ISABELA: 2020

CITY/MUNICIPALITY	PLACE OF OCCURRENCE		USUAL RESIDENCE	
	MALE	FEMALE	MALE	FEMALE
ISABELA	11,566	10,702	11,678	10,809
Alicia	513	481	498	465
Angadanan	116	115	284	260
Aurora	117	115	227	209
Benito Soliven	71	53	188	171
Burgos	20	18	142	132
Cabagan	493	433	380	350
Cabatuan	224	208	221	209
City of Cauayan	1,502	1,347	994	883
Cordon	261	256	362	362
Delfin Albano (Magsaysay)	191	191	158	159
Dinapigue	37	38	41	39
Divilacan	6	15	19	37
Echague	768	671	623	557
Gamu	20	17	169	191
City of Ilagan (Capital)	1,472	1,371	1,086	958
Jones	196	182	287	250
Luna	9	12	102	100
Maconacon	17	15	26	22
Mallig	59	63	224	211
Naguilian	123	114	202	181
Palanan	99	102	118	117
Quezon	71	72	189	183
Quirino	21	15	157	117
Ramon	134	148	427	433
Reina Mercedes	31	24	184	166
Roxas	1,193	1,050	510	454
San Agustin	63	35	151	113
San Guillermo	84	78	172	144
San Isidro	12	18	151	141
San Manuel	5	4	246	205
San Mariano	259	243	423	379
San Mateo	329	319	426	404
San Pablo	3	5	172	156
Santa Maria	120	106	207	180
City of Santiago	2,585	2,431	1,245	1,221
Santo Tomas	8	8	128	137
Tumauini	334	329	539	513

Figure 4. NUMBER OF REGISTERED LIVE BIRTHS BY SEX, PLACE OF OCCURRENCE AND USUAL RESIDENCE, ISABELA: 2020



Source: Philippine Statistics Authority (Data on live births are those registered at the Office of the City/Municipal Registrars throughout the country and submitted to the Office of the Civil Registrar General; Certificate of Live Birth-Municipal Form No. 102)

Males (5,559, or 24.96 percent) outnumber females (5,149 or 23.12 percent) in the provinces' three cities . Furthermore, the same pattern was observed in 70.27 percent of all cities and municipalities, with male births outnumbering female births.

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MAJORITY OF GROOMS MARRIED BETWEEN THE AGE OF 25 AND 29

In 2020, there were a total of 4,489 number of marriages that were registered in the province. The majority of grooms (1799 or 40.08 percent) married between the ages of 25 and 29, whereas the majority of brides (1,613 or 35.93 percent) wedded between the ages of

20 and 24. Teenage marriages continued to be prevalent. There are 401 (or 8.93 percent) teenage girls and 108 (or 2.41 percent) teenage guys among the registered marriages. In the year 2020, the number of elderly males 60 and over (47 grooms) who married regardless of their previous marital status was higher than the number of women (26 brides) in the same age group.

Figure 5. NUMBER OF REGISTERED MARRIAGES BY AGE GROUP, ISABELA: 2020

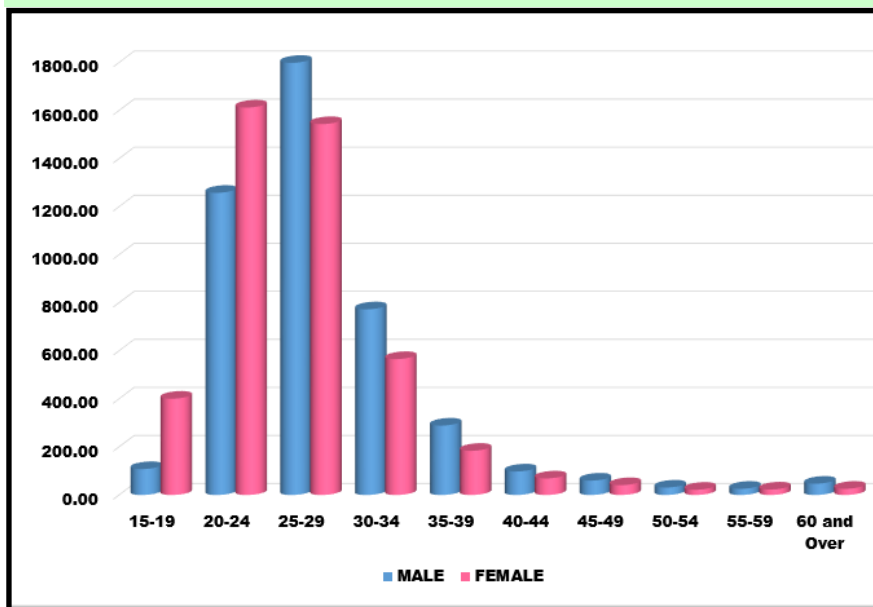


Table 4. NUMBER OF REGISTERED DEATHS BY AGE GROUP AND SEX, ISABELA: 2020

Age Group	MALE	FEMALE
TOTAL	5,503	3,961
Under 1	97	75
1-4	39	18
5-9	26	25
10-14	41	39
15-19	88	35
20-24	108	43
25-29	168	62
30-34	164	66
35-39	203	82
40-44	257	124
45-49	334	173
50-54	413	242
55-59	493	239
60-64	643	372
65-69	650	404
70-74	589	427
75-79	451	387
80-84	374	475
85 and over	365	673

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority (Data on deaths are those registered at the Office of the City/Municipal Civil Registrars throughout the country and submitted to the Office of the Civil Registrar General using Certificate of Death-Municipal Form No. 103)

MORE MALE DEATHS THAN FEMALE DEATHS RECORDED

There were 9,464 number of registered deaths in the province of Isabela in 2020. About 58 percent of the deaths were males and the remaining 42 percent were females. Most males died at age 65-69 years old. While, for females, most deaths occurred when they reached 85 years old and over.

Fewer deaths at the younger ages, except for children under one, and progressively increasing as people grow older. In Isabela, the number of male deaths is 5,503 which is higher than female deaths of 3,961 in 2020. The proportion of males who died was highest at the age of 65 to 69 years old (650 or 11.81 percent of male deaths) while for females, the largest was at the oldest age group, 85 years old and over (673 or 16.99 percent of female deaths).

The sex ratio of 139 indicates that there were about 139 male deaths for every 100 female deaths.

Table 5. TOTAL POPULATION 5 YEARS OLD AND OVER BY HIGHEST GRADE/YEAR COMPLETED BY SEX: ISABELA, 2015

EDUCATION



HIGHEST GRADE/YEAR COMPLETED	MALE	MALE
ISABELA	727,475	700,061
No Grade Completed	15,765	14,177
Pre-School	21,812	20,185
Special Education	184	163
Elementary	283,796	241,265
High School	259,483	244,320
Post-Secondary	8,165	16,192
College Undergraduate	73,008	76,243
Academic Degree Holder	64,378	86,230
Post Baccalaureate	602	1,000
Not Stated	282	286

Females had a higher rate of school attendance (68.5 percent) than males (66.8 percent). In 2010, the same pattern was observed.

Of the total population of 1,427,536 individuals aged 5 and up, 525,061 (36.78 percent) completed elementary school as their highest grade/year. 53.84 percent graduated, 31.84 percent completed 1st to 4th grade, and 14.32 completed 5th to 6th grade. Approximately 11 percent are college undergraduates and academic degree holders.

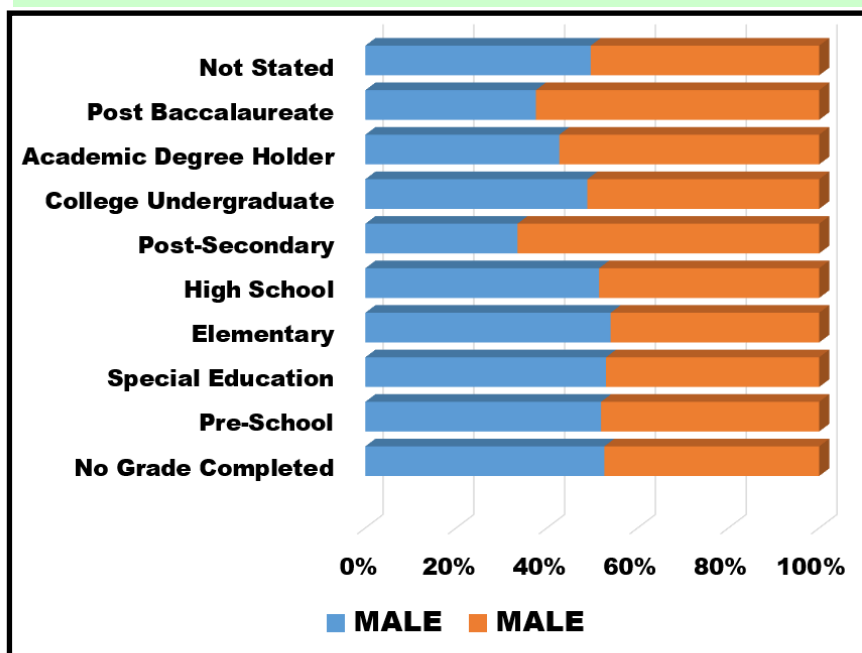
Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 2015 POPCEN

Only 1.14 percent of the total population aged 5 and up attends pre-school education. Females (57.3 percent) outnumbered males (42.7 percent) among those with a baccalaureate/college degree.

Females (62.4 percent) were more likely than males (37.6 percent) to have completed post-baccalaureate courses.

MORE FEMALES HAD ATTAINED HIGHER LEVELS OF EDUCATION AND LITERACY RATE

Figure 6. TOTAL POPULATION 5 YEARS OLD AND OVER BY HIGHEST GRADE/YEAR COMPLETED BY SEX: ISABELA, 2015



Of the 1.43 million total population aged five years and over, 36.8 percent had finished elementary education, 35.3 percent completed high school, 10.5 percent was

Table 6. LITERACY OF THE HOUSEHOLD POPULATION 10 YEARS OLD AND OVER BY AGE GROUP AND BY SEX, ISABELA: 2015

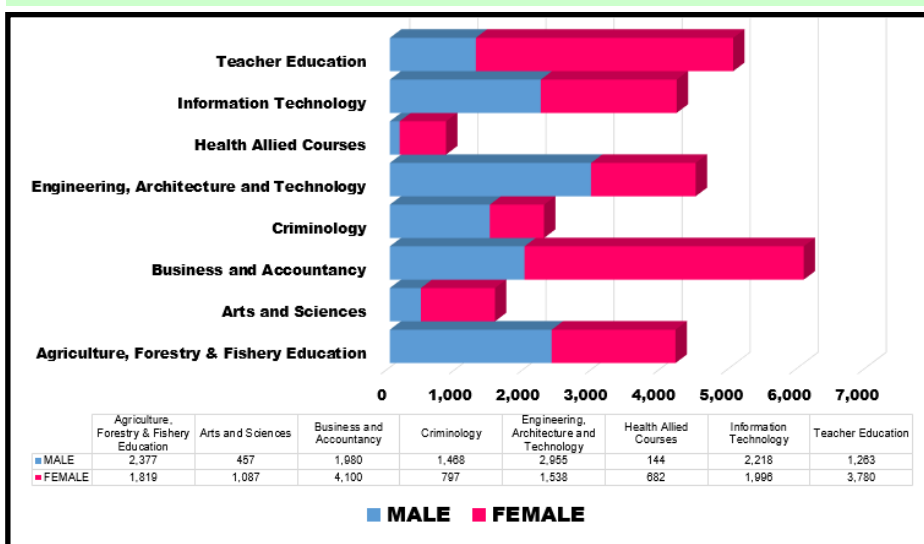
AGE GROUP	SEX	
	MALE	FEMALE
ISABELA		
Total	633,799	613,471
10 - 14	79,665	73,911
15 - 19	76,868	72,468
20 - 24	75,634	72,749
25 - 29	67,234	63,369
30 - 34	58,681	55,291
35 - 39	56,080	52,741
40 - 44	49,438	45,777
45 - 49	44,857	42,596
50 - 54	39,066	37,168
55 - 59	31,503	30,696
60 - 64	22,622	23,919
65 years old and over	32,151	42,786

Source: Philippine Statistics Authority, 2015 POPCEN

have a greater literacy rate (99.0 percent) than males in 2015. In 2010, the similar pattern was found.

MORE WOMEN ARE ENROLLING IN BUSINESS AND ACCOUNTING COURSES AT PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES

Figure 7. SUMMARY OF ENROLMENT IN PUBLIC HEIs BY DISCIPLINE AND BY SEX, ISABELA: FIRST SEMESTER 2019-2020



Source: CHED

college undergraduate, and 10.6 percent completed a baccalaureate/college degree course.

Among those with a baccalaureate/college degree, the females (57.3 percent) outnumbered the males (42.7 percent). Similarly, more females (62.4 percent) than males (37.6 percent) had pursued post baccalaureate courses.

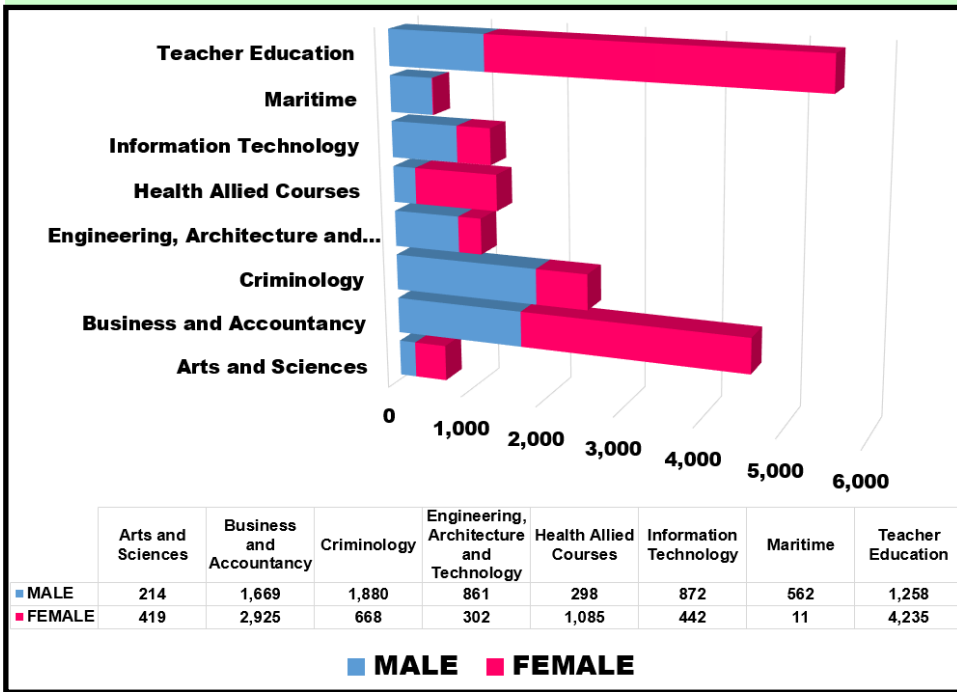
Females (57.3 percent) with a baccalaureate/college degree outnumbered males (42.7 percent). Similarly, 62.4 percent of females have taken post-baccalaureate courses, compared to 37.6 percent of males.

Females (68.5 percent) had a greater school attendance rate than males (31.5%). In addition, females

In 2015, the province had 1.11 million household population aged 15 years and over. Of this total, 60.9 percent were engaged in a gainful activity during the 12 months preceding the census. Males with a gainful activity during the last 12-month reference period comprised 69.8 percent, while females accounted for the remaining 30.2 percent.

According to the summary of enrollment in


Figure 8. SUMMARY OF ENROLMENT IN PRIVATE HEIs BY DISCIPLINE, ISABELA: FIRST SEMESTER 2019-2020



public higher education institutions by field of discipline and all program level, women in Isabela preferred Business and Accounting courses, accounting for 4,100 of the 15,799 enrolled female students, or 25.95 percent, followed by Teacher Education with 3,780 students, or 23.93 percent, and Agriculture, Forestry, and Fishery Education with 1,819 students, or 11.51 percent.

On the other hand, of the 12,862 male enrollees, 2,955 or 22.97 percent preferred Engineering, Architecture, and Technology, followed by 2,377 (18.48 percent) and 2,218 (17.24 percent) for Agriculture, Forestry, and Fishery Education and Information Technology.

In addition, a summary of enrollment in private higher education institutions by field of study and all program level reveals that women in Isabela preferred Teacher Education courses, accounting for 4,235 of the 10,087 enrolled female students, or 41.98 percent, followed by Business and Accounting with 2,925 students, or 29 percent, and Health Allied Courses with 1,085 students, or 10.76 percent. However, the majority of their male


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