

Agriculture Outlook

Philippines

Our Agriculture Sector

9.7M Hectares of land used in agriculture. One-third of the total land area of the country.

1st **The Philippines is the largest exporter of coconuts globally,** accounting for over 20% of total coconut exports. (2023)

2nd Philippines still world's second biggest banana exporter.

8th Exports In 2022, Philippines exported $429M in Tropical Fruits, making it the 8th largest exporter of Tropical Fruits in the world.

1st Rice importer in the world.



3 Agriculture in the Philippines is a major sector of the economy, ranking third among the sectors in 2022.

Our Challenges

Agriculture as the most weather-dependent sector

The Philippines is highly exposed to natural hazards such as typhoons, floods, earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, tsunami and storm surges due to its geologic circumstances. It is situated within the Western Pacific Basin where climatic conditions such as monsoons, thunderstorms, inter- tropical convergence zone (ITCZ) and typhoons are generated.

Ageing farmer population and lesser youth in AG

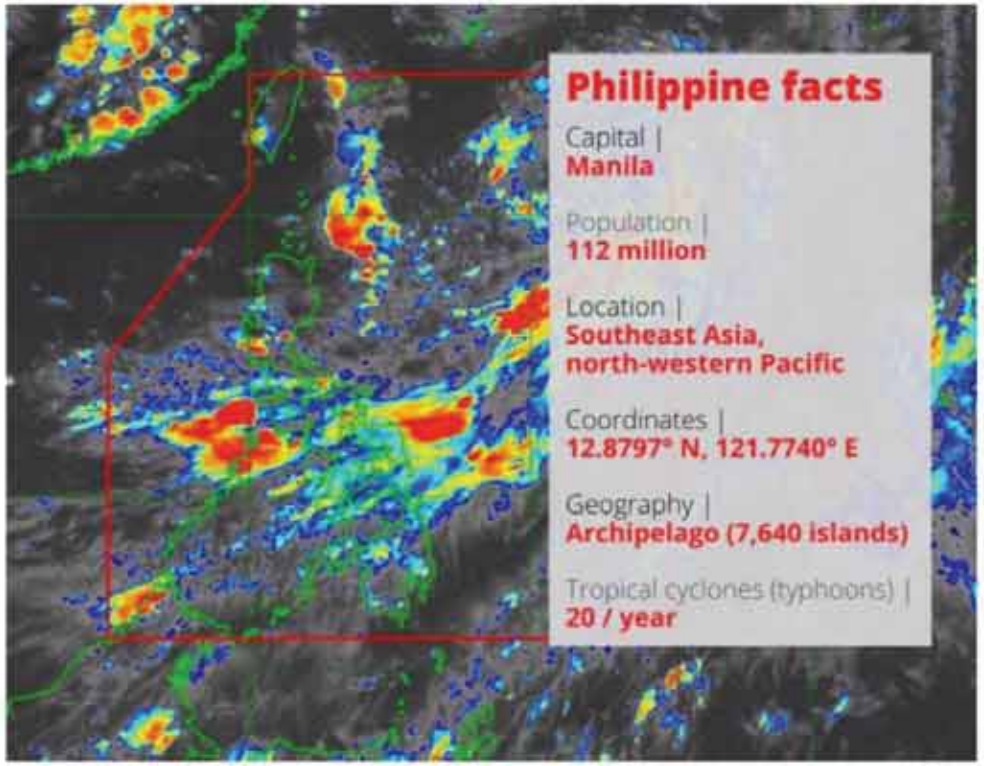
Average age of farmes in PH is 57. Youth engagement is declining too.

Inadequate irrigation systems

1.02 Million hectares of irrigable land are still dependent on rainwater.

High-level of post-harvest losses

15% for rice grains
28% in fruits
40% in vegetables



Top-disaster risk country in the world

The Philippines as the top country that is most vulnerable to disasters caused by extreme events. To many Filipinos, climate change is intrinsically linked with human mobility.

High-malnutrition rate

95 children die everyday from malnutrition in the Philippines

What to hope for in the agriculture sector?

Growth areas in agriculture

- High-Value Crops
- Aquaculture and Fisheries
- Livestock and Poultry
- Agricultural Technology
- Climate-Resilient Crops
- Organic and Sustainable Agriculture
- Agribusiness and Agro-Processing
- Renewable Energy in Agriculture
- Export Diversification
- Agritourism

