## **BIOTECH COUNTRY FACTS & TRENDS Philippines**

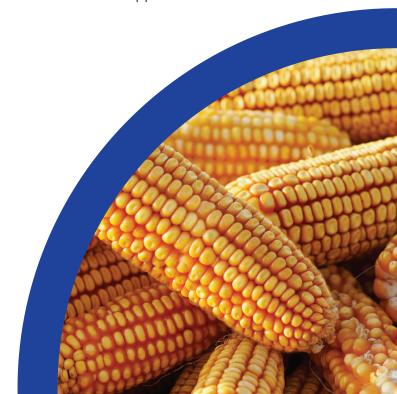


In 2019, BIOTECH MAIZE was the only biotech crop planted in the Philippines.

From 2003 to 2018, the farm-level economic benefit of planting biotech maize in the Philippines was estimated to have reached US\$872.6 million. For 2018 alone, the net national impact of biotech maize on farm income was estimated at US\$87.7 million.



The immense economic gains are continuously benefiting more than 673,000 FARMERS AND THEIR FAMILIES in the last 16 years of biotech maize commercialization in the Philippines.





THE PHILIPPINES is the first country to plant a biotech crop in Southeast Asia in 2003 after Bt maize was approved for commercial planting in 2002.

THE PHILIPPINES ranked 12th among the 29 countries in the world that planted biotech crops in 2019.

In 2019, the Philippines planted 875,000 HECTARES OF BIOTECH MAIZE, an increase of 39% from the previous year.

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