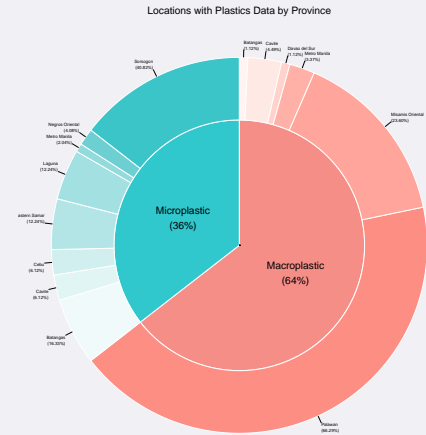


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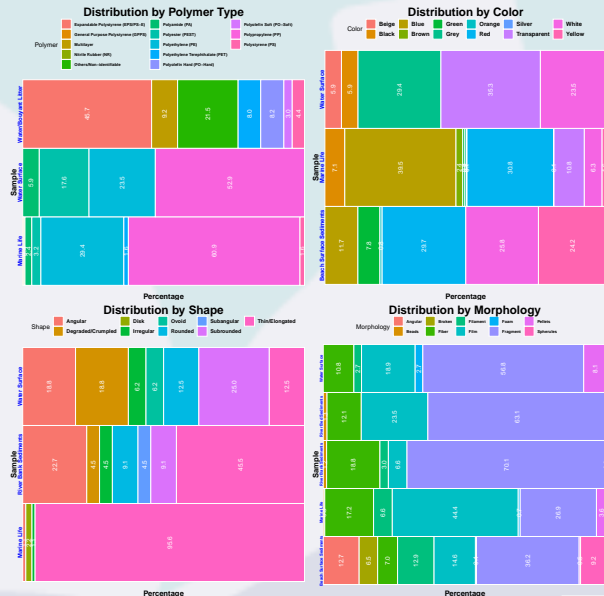
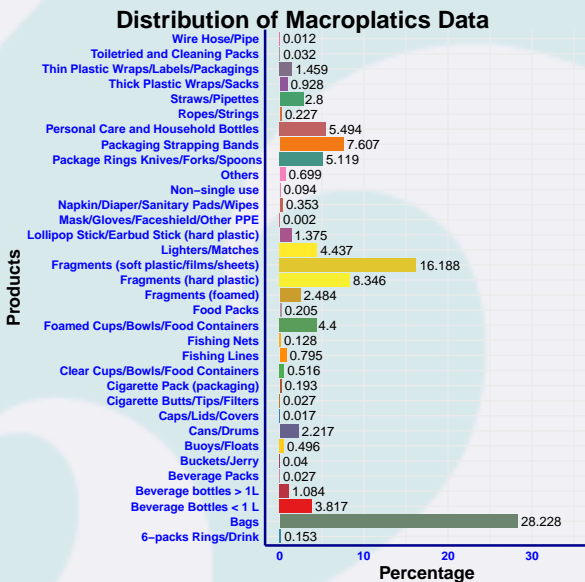


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The PlastiCount database's historical data are a composite of reported data from 14 contributory sources spanning the year 2012 to 2021. Altogether, these cover 128 sampling stations on aquatic habitats and adjacent land-water transition zones across 11 provinces in the Philippines. The distribution of the locations of these sampling stations based on their contributions to the microplastics and macroplastics data is shown in the figure on the right.



Currently, the macroplastics data are based on samples from Beach (Surface) and mangroves area covering a total sample area of 32,530.2 square meters and consist of 34 categories of products summarized in the figure on the bottom left. Notably, the most abundant plastic types are bags (28%), soft/thin/sheet plastic fragments (16%), hard plastic fragments (8%), and packaging and strapping bands (7%), and are all usually single-use types. On the other hand, the microplastics data include composite samples from Sediments, Water (Surface), and Water (Column) amounting to 437,214.25 Kilograms of sampled materials that can be classified by Polymer Type, Color, Shape, and Morphology. The corresponding distributions based on these classifications are summarized in the figure on the bottom right. The microplastics data also include samples from Marine life (fish, mussels, and other bivalves).



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