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INTERNATIONAL ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES April 2014

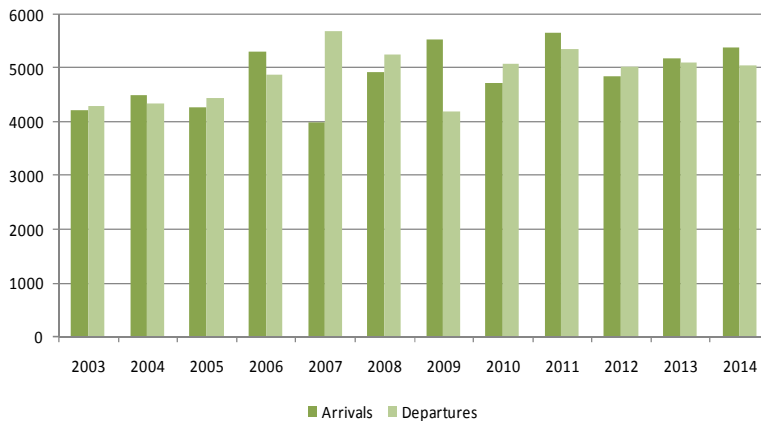
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Statistical Bulletin

Month of	Number	Change from previous month	Change from previous year
April 2014			
All Arrivals	7,678	24.0	-9.0
Air Visitors	3,363	35.4	8.9
Air Returning Residents	2,034	8.2	-3.0
Cruise Ships	2,224	22.4	-30.6
Yachts	57	470.0	14.0
All Departures	7,330	9.1	-11.9

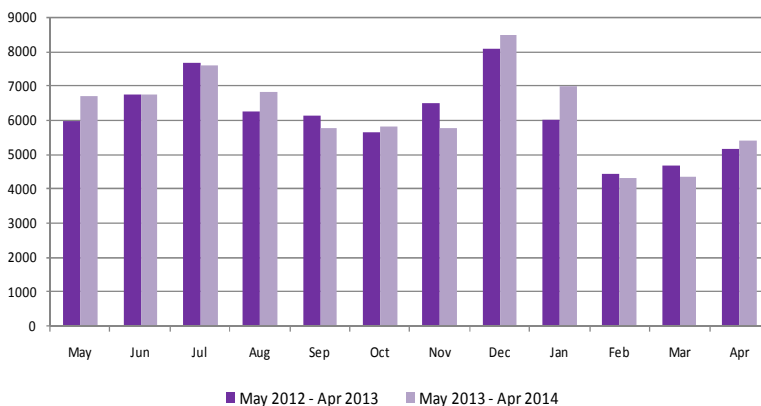
- An increase of 24.0% of all arrivals (7,678) compared to the previous month of March 2014 (6,191)
- An increase of 35.4% of all air visitors (3,363) compared to March 2014 (2,484)
- An increase of 8.2% (2,034) of returning residents compared to previous month (1,880)
- There were 2,224 passengers arrived by cruise ship, this shows an increase of 22.4% from March.
- An increase of 470.0% of yacht arrivals compared to the previous month
- An increase of 9.1% of all departures from March 2014.

Fig. 1: April Air Arrivals and Departures 2003 - 2014



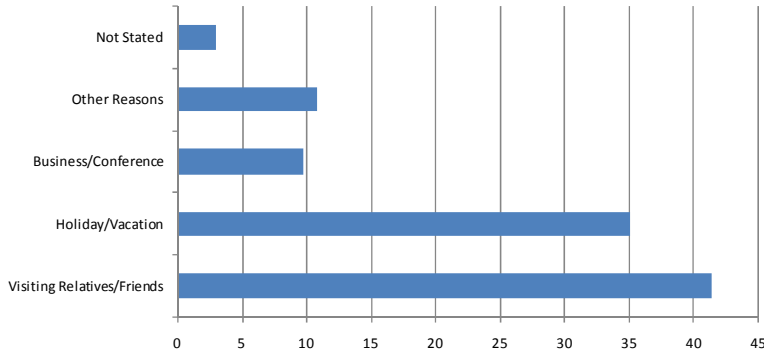
- Total air arrivals in April 2014 were 5,397 an increase of 4.1% compared to April 2013 (5,184).
- Total air departures of 5,063 in April 2014, a decline of 0.7% compared to April 2013 (5,100)

Fig. 2: Monthly Air Arrivals vs the corresponding month of the previous year



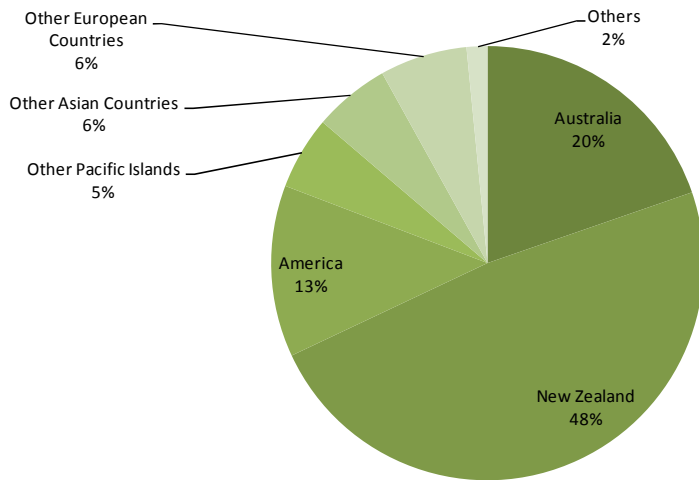
- Total air visitor arrivals in April 2014 were 3,363 an increase of 8.9% compared to April 2013 (3,088)

Fig. 3: Air Visitors by Purpose of Visit April, 2014



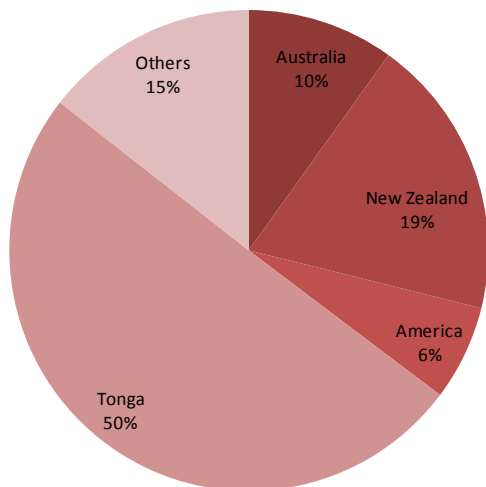
- Visiting Relatives/Friends made up 41.4% (1,393) of all air visitors to the Kingdom in the month of April.
- 35.0% (1,176) of the total visitors were here on Holiday/Vacation.
- Visitors who were here on Business or Conference made up 9.8% (328) and those with other reasons were 10.8% (364)

Fig. 4: Air Visitors by Country of Usual Residence April, 2014



- New Zealand remains as the leading country in visitors arrivals by country of usual residence, accounting for 48.3% (1,624) of total air visitors
- This was followed by Australia with 19.7 % (663), and USA 12.8% (430)

Fig. 5: Air Departures by Country of Usual Residence April, 2014



- Most of the persons departing in the month of April were persons residing in the Kingdom of Tonga (2,545) followed by New Zealand (963) and Australia (501)

Background Information

Data is extracted from the arrival and departure cards of the Immigration Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Customs vessel & yacht log book. The Statistics Department reconciles the figures from the Air Terminal Services Manifest, Tonga Airport Limited and Ports Authority Manifest to produce final published data.

Statistics on Overseas Arrivals and Departures related to the number of movements of travelers rather than the number of travelers (i.e. the multiple movements of individual persons during a given reference period are all counted).

Definitions

- ▶ **A Visitor** is a person other than a Tongan citizen, permit holder and exempted person, who usually stay at least 24 hours in the Kingdom, or who stays overnight in accommodation within Tonga. This refers to passengers arriving by air and yacht only.
- ▶ **Cruise Ship Passengers** are defined as those who arrive and depart in the same vessel which is on a cruise trip, and use that vessel's accommodation during their stay in Tonga. They are also known as "Excursionist"
- ▶ **A Returning resident** is a person who has the Kingdom of Tonga as their permanent address for more than six months of the year and returns to Tonga after a trip overseas. Tongan residence is self-defined as reported by travelers when completing the Passenger Arrival Card.
- ▶ **Mode of Transport** Only air, yacht and cruise ships passengers are included. Passenger/crew on cargo, navy or special vessels are excluded.

The Statistics Department wishes to acknowledge the cooperation of the Immigration Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade and the Custom Department of the Ministry of Revenue Services, Air Terminal Services, Ports Authority making it possible to publish these important statistics.

Table 1. Monthly Arrival and Departure by Mode of Travel and Net Migration, 2010 - 2014

Period	Visitors Arrivals				Returning Residents				Total Arrivals				Total Departures				Net Migration
	Air	Ship	Yacht	Total	Air	Ship	Yacht	Total	Air	Ship	Yacht	Total	Air	Ship	Yacht	Total	
2005	42,437	11,840	943	55,220	21,066			21,066	63,503	11,840	943	76,286	60,276	11,871	1,393	73,540	2,746
2006	46,268	10,809	868	57,945	20,707			20,707	66,975	10,809	868	78,652	68,637	13,049	582	82,268	(3,616)
2007	43,344	8,790	1,140	53,274	22,313			22,313	65,657	8,790	1,140	75,587	71,325	10,461	1,630	83,416	(7,829)
2008	50,462	14,599	1,828	66,889	24,239			24,239	74,701	14,599	1,828	91,128	76,704	14,602	1,584	92,890	(1,762)
2009	45,711	27,641	1,317	74,669	25,134			25,134	70,845	27,641	1,317	99,803	70,949	27,150	1,261	99,360	443
2010	47,081	16,265	1,659	65,005	24,501			24,501	71,582	16,265	1,659	89,506	72,533	16,244	1,830	90,607	(1,101)
2011	46,005	20,519	1,849	68,373	26,587			26,587	72,592	20,519	1,849	94,960	73,589	20,550	1,468	95,607	(647)
2012	47,457	7,957	1,816	57,230	25,170			25,170	72,627	7,957	1,816	82,400	74,098	7,987	1,720	83,805	(1,405)
2013	48,188	9,432	2,045	59,665	25,808			25,808	73,996	9,432	2,045	85,473	73,938	9,427	1,769	85,134	339
2010																	
January	3,158	646	4	3,808	3,019			3,019	6,177	646	4	6,827	7,822	642	-	8,464	(1,637)
February	2,379	-	5	2,384	2,083			2,083	4,462	-	5	4,467	5,096	-	1	5,097	(630)
March	3,134	853	5	3,992	1,730			1,730	4,864	853	5	5,722	4,993	850	7	5,850	(128)
April	2,818	2,802	30	5,650	1,906			1,906	4,724	2,802	30	7,556	5,101	2,806	34	7,941	(385)
May	3,670	5,303	177	9,150	2,230			2,230	5,900	5,303	177	11,380	4,929	5,302	107	10,338	1,042
June	4,701	-	275	4,976	1,888			1,888	6,589	-	275	6,864	5,173	-	344	5,517	1,347
July	4,900	-	238	5,138	1,814			1,814	6,714	-	238	6,952	7,428	-	386	7,814	(862)
August	4,216	-	246	4,462	1,848			1,848	6,064	-	246	6,310	6,342	-	231	6,573	(263)
September	4,576	5,275	188	10,039	1,756			1,756	6,332	5,275	188	11,795	6,379	5,253	165	11,797	(2)
October	3,467	-	352	3,819	1,809			1,809	5,276	-	352	5,628	6,107	-	403	6,510	(882)
November	3,569	1,386	126	5,081	2,378			2,378	5,947	1,386	126	7,459	5,990	1,391	130	7,511	(52)
December	6,493	-	13	6,506	2,040			2,040	8,533	-	13	8,546	7,173	-	22	7,195	1,351
2011																	
January	2,844	-	2	2,846	3,185			3,185	6,029	-	2	6,031	7,755	-	-	7,755	(1,724)
February	2,302	6,847	14	9,163	1,985			1,985	4,287	6,847	14	11,148	6,031	6,859	5	12,895	(1,747)
March	2,477	1,407	16	3,900	1,947			1,947	4,424	1,407	16	5,847	4,526	1,411	18	5,955	(108)
April	3,520	3,038	37	6,595	2,152			2,152	5,672	3,038	37	8,747	5,367	3,045	15	8,427	320
May	3,812	-	250	4,062	2,588			2,588	6,400	-	250	6,650	5,565	-	89	5,654	996
June	4,323	-	242	4,565	1,913			1,913	6,236	-	242	6,478	5,240	-	194	5,434	1,044
July	5,280	2,376	239	7,895	1,998			1,998	7,278	2,376	239	9,893	7,415	2,378	232	10,025	(132)
August	4,486	-	419	4,905	1,889			1,889	6,375	-	419	6,794	7,266	-	199	7,465	(671)
September	3,561	-	242	3,803	2,063			2,063	5,624	-	242	5,866	6,315	4,391	281	10,987	(5,121)
October	3,155	4,387	257	7,799	2,164			2,164	5,319	4,387	257	9,963	5,927	-	280	6,207	3,756
November	2,996	-	112	3,108	2,354			2,354	5,350	-	112	5,462	5,252	-	135	5,387	75
December	7,249	2,464	19	9,732	2,349			2,349	9,598	2,464	19	12,081	6,930	2,466	20	9,416	2,665
2012																	
January	3,043	-	-	3,043	3,018			3,018	6,061	-	-	6,061	8,296	-	-	8,296	(2,235)
February	2,241	1,220	4	3,465	1,913			1,913	4,154	1,220	4	5,378	5,637	1,365	3	7,005	(1,627)
March	2,629	865	15	3,509	1,927			1,927	4,556	865	15	5,436	4,866	816	10	5,692	(256)
April	3,022	3,063	44	6,129	1,847			1,847	4,869	3,063	44	7,976	5,044	2,999	46	8,089	(113)
May	3,497	-	302	3,799	2,486			2,486	5,983	-	302	6,285	5,310	-	83	5,393	892
June	4,892	-	182	5,074	1,836			1,836	6,728	-	182	6,910	4,764	-	249	5,013	1,897
July	5,789	-	235	6,024	1,880			1,880	7,669	-	235	7,904	7,677	-	194	7,871	33
August	4,286	-	254	4,540	1,986			1,986	6,272	-	254	6,526	6,966	-	269	7,235	(709)
September	4,156	-	351	4,507	1,966			1,966	6,122	-	351	6,473	5,939	-	313	6,252	221
October	3,909	1,817	315	6,041	1,725			1,725	5,634	1,817	315	7,766	6,566	1,815	334	8,715	(949)
November	4,052	618	86	4,756	2,459			2,459	6,511	618	86	7,215	5,914	618	193	6,725	490
December	5,941	374	28	6,343	2,127			2,127	8,068	374	28	8,470	7,119	374	26	7,519	951
2013																	
January	2,927	922	9	3,858	3,085			3,085	6,012	922	9	6,943	7,440	922	8	8,370	(1,427)
February	2,621	1,310	2	3,933	1,816			1,816	4,437	1,310	2	5,749	6,077	1,310	-	7,387	(1,638)
March	2,797	626	11	3,434	1,880			1,880	4,677	626	11	5,314	5,035	626	10	5,671	(357)
April	3,088	3,205	50	6,343	2,096			2,096	5,184	3,205	50	8,439	5,100	3,204	14	8,318	121
May	3,965	-	328	4,293	2,740			2,740	6,705	-	328	7,033	5,815	-	132	5,947	1,086
June	4,693	700	182	5,575	2,046			2,046	6,739	700	182	7,621	5,411	700	193	6,304	1,317
July	5,415	-	282	5,697	2,183			2,183	7,598	-	282	7,880	7,747	-	220	7,967	(87)
August	4,753	-	305	5,058	2,051			2,051	6,804	-	305	7,109	7,227	-	267	7,494	(385)
September	4,068	1,954	339	6,361	1,711			1,711	5,779	1,954	339	8,072	5,579	1,950	291	7,820	252
October	4,037	-	403	4,440	1,789			1,789	5,826	-	403	6,229	6,111	-	384	6,495	(266)
November	3,395	715	121	4,231	2,363			2,363	5,758	715	121	6,594	5,165	715	232	6,112	482
December	6,429	-	13	6,442	2,048			2,048	8,477	-	13	8,490	7,231	-	18	7,249	1,241
2014																	
January	3,259	1,446	3	4,708	3,167			3,167	6,426	1,446	3	7,875	8,028	1,444	-	9,472	(1,597)
February	2,441	3,677	24	6,142	1,861			1,861	4,302	3,677	24	8,003	5,958	3,676	14	9,648	(1,645)
March	2,484	1,817	10	4,311	1,880			1,880	4,364	1,817	10	6,191	4,885	1,811	22	6,718	(527)
April	3,363	2,224	57	5,644	2,034			2,034	5,397	2,224	57	7,678	5,063	2,227	40	7,330	348

Table 2. Total Arrivals by Age, Type of Passangers and Gender April, 2014

Age Group	Type of Passangers								
	Total			Visitors			Returning Residents		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
0-4	257	127	130	186	97	89	71	30	41
5-9	185	93	92	129	66	63	56	27	29
10-14	200	96	104	147	71	76	53	25	28
15-19	224	117	107	136	66	70	88	51	37
20-24	433	218	215	212	68	144	221	150	71
25-29	522	272	250	289	118	171	233	154	79
30-34	490	264	226	285	132	153	205	132	73
35-39	472	262	210	283	147	136	189	115	74
40-44	457	236	221	273	142	131	184	94	90
45-49	549	293	256	346	177	169	203	116	87
50-54	455	247	208	307	162	145	148	85	63
55-59	398	208	190	272	137	135	126	71	55
60-64	296	144	152	201	94	107	95	50	45
65-69	220	122	98	143	84	59	77	38	39
70-74	119	65	54	80	44	36	39	21	18
75+	120	59	61	74	34	40	46	25	21
Total	5,397	2,823	2,574	3,363	1,639	1,724	2,034	1,184	850
% Distribution	100.0	52.3	47.7	62.3	30.4	31.9	37.7	21.9	15.7

Table 3. Total Visitors by Usual Residence and Purpose of Visit April, 2014

Country of Usual Residence	Purpose of Visit						
	Total	% Distribution	Holiday/Vacation	Business/Conference	Visiting Relative/Friends	Other Reasons	Not Stated
Australia	663	19.7	260	70	261	55	17
New Zealand	1,624	48.3	504	96	838	152	34
Fiji	133	4.0	18	44	31	30	10
American Samoa	6	0.2	-	-	5	1	-
Western Samoa	22	0.7	1	11	6	3	1
Other Pacific Islands	23	0.7	2	11	3	6	1
Japan	33	1.0	19	3	4	5	2
China	87	2.6	17	19	22	21	8
India	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Korea	12	0.4	10	-	2	-	-
Other Asian Countries	59	1.8	34	8	9	7	1
UK	30	0.9	22	3	1	4	-
Germany	56	1.7	49	-	6	1	-
France	11	0.3	9	-	1	1	-
Italy	5	0.1	5	-	-	-	-
Other European Countries	117	3.5	107	4	5	1	-
All African Countries	4	0.1	1	1	1	1	-
United States of America	430	12.8	97	51	184	72	26
Canada	20	0.6	12	3	3	1	1
Other American Countries	28	0.8	9	4	11	3	1
Total	3,363	100.0	1,176	328	1,393	364	102
% Distribution	100.0		35.0	9.8	41.4	10.8	3.0

Table 4: AIR DEPARTURES by Age Group, Passanger's Type for April, 2014

Age Group	Returning Residence	Percentage Distribution	Visitors	Percentage Distribution	Total	Percentage Distribution
0 - 4	75	2.9	150	6.0	225	4.4
5 - 9	55	2.2	103	4.1	158	3.1
10 - 14	66	2.6	126	5.0	192	3.8
15 - 19	94	3.7	103	4.1	197	3.9
20 - 24	234	9.2	178	7.1	412	8.1
25 - 29	252	9.9	261	10.4	513	10.1
30 - 34	254	10.0	232	9.2	486	9.6
35 - 39	241	9.5	204	8.1	445	8.8
40 - 44	269	10.6	186	7.4	455	9.0
45 - 49	301	11.8	189	7.5	490	9.7
50 - 54	212	8.3	199	7.9	411	8.1
55 - 59	173	6.8	205	8.1	378	7.5
60 - 64	124	4.9	165	6.6	289	5.7
65 - 69	83	3.3	105	4.2	188	3.7
70 - 74	50	2.0	63	2.5	113	2.2
75+	62	2.4	49	1.9	111	2.2
All Ages	2,545	100.0	2,518	100.0	5,063	100.0
YACHT	-	-	40	0	40	0
CRUISE SHIP	-	-	2,227	0	2227	0
Total	2,545	100.0	4,785	100.0	7,330	100.0

Table 5. Total Departures by Country of Residence and Gender April, 2014

Country of Usual Residence	Male	Percent	Female	Percent	Total	Percent
	No.	Distribution	No.	Distribution		Distribution
Australia	245	8.9	256	11.1	501	9.9
New Zealand	484	17.5	479	20.8	963	19.0
Fiji	77	2.8	46	2.0	123	2.4
American Samoa	-	-	-	-	-	-
Western Samoa	2	0.1	14	0.6	16	0.3
Tonga	1,469	53.3	1,076	46.7	2,545	50.3
Other Pacific Islands	8	0.3	4	0.2	12	0.2
Japan	25	0.9	8	0.3	33	0.7
China	41	1.5	25	1.1	66	1.3
India	4	0.1	2	0.1	6	0.1
Korea	7	0.3	6	0.3	13	0.3
Other Asian Countries	49	1.8	50	2.2	99	2.0
UK	50	1.8	36	1.6	86	1.7
Germany	42	1.5	46	2.0	88	1.7
France	8	0.3	11	0.5	19	0.4
Italy	5	0.2	5	0.2	10	0.2
Other European Countries	61	2.2	58	2.5	119	2.4
All African Countries	5	0.2	1	0.0	6	0.1
United States of America	164	5.9	159	6.9	323	6.4
Canada	7	0.3	12	0.5	19	0.4
Other American Countries	5	0.2	11	0.5	16	0.3
Total	2,758	100.0	2,305	100.0	5,063	100.0