



INTERNATIONAL ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES August 2014

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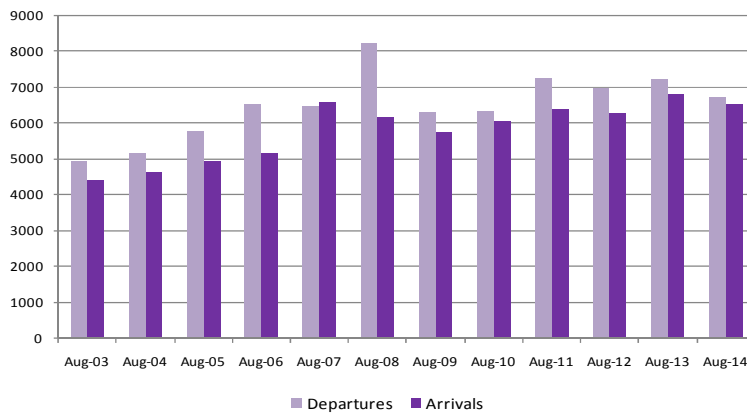
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Statistical Bulletin

Month of		Change from	Change from
August 2014	Number	previous month	previous year
All Arrivals	6,723	-14.2	-5.4
Air Visitors	5,090	-7.1	7.1
Air Returning Residents	1,432	-32.7	-30.2
Cruise Ships	-	0.0	0.0
Yachts	201	-13.7	-34.1
All Departures	6,945	-18.3	-7.3

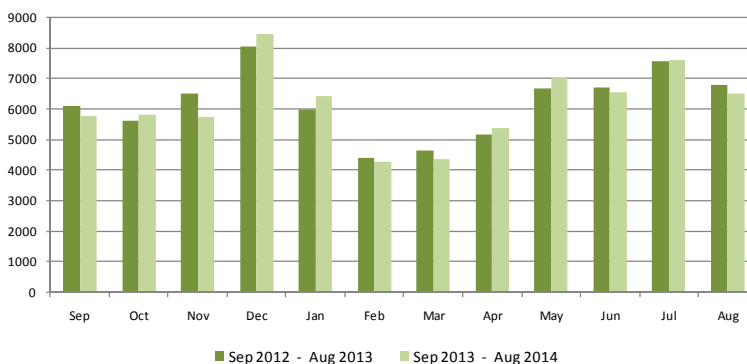
- A decline of 14.2% of all arrivals (6,723) compared to the previous month of July 2014 (7,838)
- A decline of 7.1% of all air visitors (5,090) compared to July 2014 (5,477)
- A decline of 32.7% (1,432) of returning residents compared to previous month (2,128)
- No cruise ship came on the month of August.
- A decline of 13.7% of yacht arrivals compared to the previous month
- A decline of 18.3% of all departures from July 2014

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



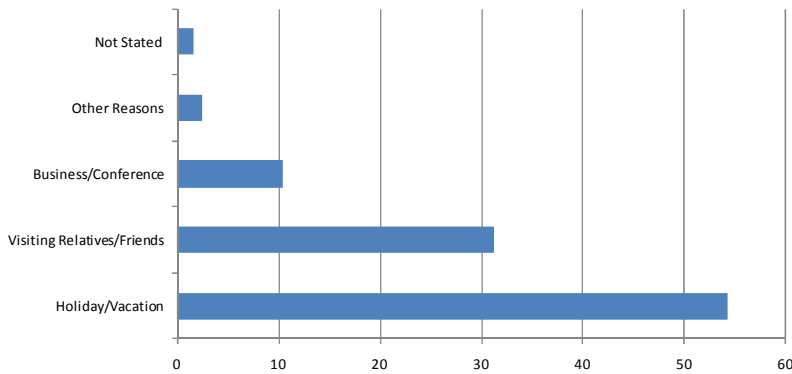
- Total air arrivals in August 2014 were 6,522 a decline of 4.1% compared to August 2013 (6,804).
- Total air departures of 6,753 in August 2014, a decline of 6.6% compared to August 2013 (7,227)

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



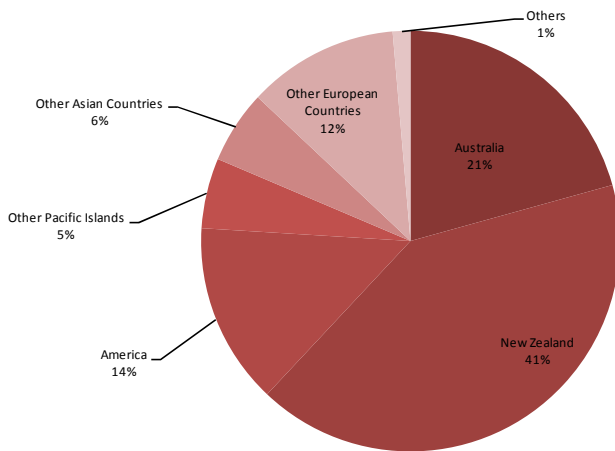
- Total air visitor arrivals in August 2014 were 5,090 an increase of 7.1% compared to August 2013 (4,753)

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



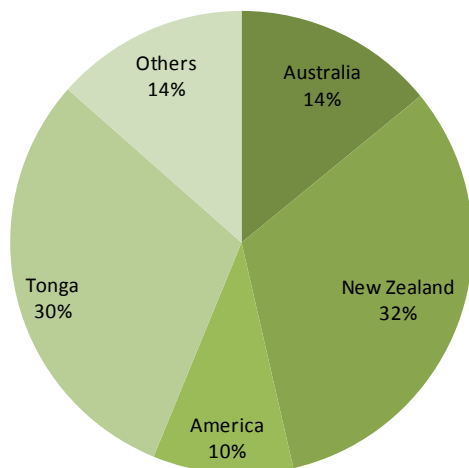
- Holiday/Vacation made up 54.3% (2,764) of all air visitors to the Kingdom in the month of August.
- 31.3% (1,591) of the total visitors were here to visit Friends and Relatives
- Visitors who were here on Business or Conference made up 10.4% (531) and those with other reasons were 2.4% (121)

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



- New Zealand remains as the leading country in visitors arrivals by country of usual residence, accounting for 41.3% (2,102) of total air visitors
- This was followed by Australia with 20.7% (1,052), and USA 14.0% (712)

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



- Most of the persons departing in the month of August were persons residing in New Zealand (2,181) followed by Tonga (2,045) and Australia (951)

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	
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
May	4,189	260	243	4,692	2,872			2,872	7,061	260	243	7,564	6,228	260	94	6,582	982
June	4,463	1,739	256	6,458	2,122			2,122	6,585	1,739	256	8,580	5,605	1,737	294	7,636	944
July	5,477	-	233	5,710	2,128			2,128	7,605	-	233	7,838	8,213	-	286	8,499	(661)
Aug	5,090	-	201	5,291	1,432			1,432	6,522	-	201	6,723	6,753	-	192	6,945	(222)

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

Age Group	Type of Passangers								
	Total			Visitors			Returning Residents		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
0-4	258	126	132	209	96	113	49	30	19
5-9	155	80	75	126	61	65	29	19	10
10-14	178	100	78	148	84	64	30	16	15
15-19	194	103	91	163	90	73	32	13	19
20-24	398	174	223	313	132	181	84	42	42
25-29	608	310	297	459	205	254	149	106	44
30-34	612	292	321	485	219	266	128	73	55
35-39	583	318	266	448	241	207	135	77	58
40-44	605	337	268	473	258	215	132	78	54
45-49	611	332	279	453	248	205	158	84	74
50-54	656	338	318	517	266	251	139	73	67
55-59	541	286	255	443	232	210	99	54	45
60-64	427	235	192	344	197	147	83	38	45
65-69	342	193	149	274	168	106	68	25	44
70-74	193	109	84	139	81	58	54	28	26
75+	160	84	75	97	59	38	62	25	38
Total	6,522	3,417	3,105	5,090	2,638	2,452	1,432	779	653
% Distribution	100.0	52.4	47.6	78.0	40.4	37.6	22.0	11.9	10.0

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

Country of Usual Residence	Purpose of Visit						
	Total	% Distribution	Holiday/Vacation	Business/Conference	Visiting Relative/Friends	Other Reasons	Not Stated
Australia	1,052	20.7	588	97	344	12	12
New Zealand	2,102	41.3	1,023	173	847	28	32
Fiji	192	3.8	19	96	38	36	3
American Samoa	1	0.0	1	-	-	-	-
Western Samoa	33	0.7	7	15	9	3	-
Other Pacific Islands	49	1.0	19	16	4	1	9
Japan	102	2.0	61	28	9	4	-
China	65	1.3	16	36	12	1	-
India	4	0.1	-	3	-	1	-
Korea	12	0.2	6	6	-	-	-
Other Asian Countries	103	2.0	73	23	6	1	-
UK	148	2.9	110	7	28	-	3
Germany	151	3.0	129	4	9	4	4
France	71	1.4	67	1	1	-	1
Italy	41	0.8	41	-	-	-	-
Other European Countries	181	3.6	173	1	3	1	3
All African Countries	10	0.2	9	-	1	-	-
United States of America	712	14.0	382	23	273	19	16
Canada	36	0.7	26	-	6	4	-
Other American Countries	23	0.5	16	1	3	3	-
Total	5,090	100.0	2,764	531	1,591	121	83
% Distribution	100.0		54.3	10.4	31.3	2.4	1.6

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

Age Group	Returning Residence	Percentage Distribution	Visitors	Percentage Distribution	Total	Percentage Distribution
0 - 4	78	3.8	205	4.4	283	4.2
5 - 9	70	3.4	172	3.7	242	3.6
10 - 14	44	2.2	141	3.0	185	2.7
15 - 19	82	4.0	179	3.8	261	3.9
20 - 24	197	9.6	277	5.9	474	7.0
25 - 29	199	9.7	407	8.6	606	9.0
30 - 34	186	9.1	436	9.3	622	9.2
35 - 39	170	8.3	389	8.3	559	8.3
40 - 44	203	9.9	464	9.9	667	9.9
45 - 49	206	10.1	449	9.5	655	9.7
50 - 54	162	7.9	463	9.8	625	9.3
55 - 59	147	7.2	381	8.1	528	7.8
60 - 64	111	5.4	308	6.5	419	6.2
65 - 69	80	3.9	226	4.8	306	4.5
70 - 74	59	2.9	110	2.3	169	2.5
75+	51	2.5	101	2.1	152	2.3
All Ages	2,045	100.0	4,708	100.0	6,753	100.0
YACHT	-	-	192	0	192	0
CRUISE SHIP	-	-	-	0	0	0
Total	2,045	100.0	4,975	100.0	6,945	100.0

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

Country of Usual Residence	Male	Percent	Female	Percent	Total	Percent
	No.	Distribution	No.	Distribution		No.
Australia	447	12.8	504	15.4	951	14.1
New Zealand	1,092	31.3	1,089	33.3	2,181	32.3
Fiji	91	2.6	44	1.3	135	2.0
American Samoa	2	0.1	4	0.1	6	0.1
Western Samoa	10	0.3	8	0.2	18	0.3
Tonga	1,085	31.1	960	29.4	2,045	30.3
Other Pacific Islands	23	0.7	17	0.5	40	0.6
Japan	46	1.3	23	0.7	69	1.0
China	40	1.1	24	0.7	64	0.9
India	2	0.1	-	-	2	0.0
Korea	6	0.2	2	0.1	8	0.1
Other Asian Countries	39	1.1	23	0.7	62	0.9
UK	67	1.9	53	1.6	120	1.8
Germany	50	1.4	52	1.6	102	1.5
France	28	0.8	29	0.9	57	0.8
Italy	23	0.7	20	0.6	43	0.6
Other European Countries	85	2.4	70	2.1	155	2.3
All African Countries	1	0.0	1	0.0	2	0.0
United States of America	336	9.6	328	10.0	664	9.8
Canada	7	0.2	12	0.4	19	0.3
Other American Countries	7	0.2	3	0.1	10	0.1
Total	3,487	100.0	3,266	100.0	6,753	100.0