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TABLE 1: POPULATION OF TONGA, BY SEX

YEAR	TOTAL BOTH SEXES	MALES	FEMALES	SHARE OF MALES (%)	ANNUAL RATE OF GROWTH (%)
1956 Census 28 September	56,838	28,938	27,900	50.9	3.0
1966 Census 30 November	77,429	39,837	37,592	51.4	3.6
1976 Census 30 November	90,085	46,036	44,049	51.1	1.6
1986 Census 28 November	94,649	47,611	47,038	50.3	0.5
1996 Census 30 November	97,784	49,615	48,169	50.7	0.3

SOURCE: Population Census Reports 1956, 1966, 1976, 1986 and 1996, Statistics Department.

TABLE 2: BIRTHS, DEATHS AND NATURAL INCREASE

	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004*
BIRTHS													
TOTAL	2,391	2,833	2,775	2,915	2,742	2,700	2,737	2,599	2,696	2,546	2,662	2,781	2,628
Males	1,269	1,477	1,407	1,494	1,441	1,405	1,491	1,385	1,380	1,312	1,388	1,433	1,350
Females	1,122	1,356	1,368	1,421	1,301	1,295	1,246	1,214	1,316	1,234	1,274	1,348	1,278
DEATHS													
TOTAL	382	409	424	467	456	467	498	467	672	579	591	617	559
Males	230	241	262	273	254	278	279	273	346	338	335	342	349
Females	152	168	162	194	202	189	219	194	326	241	256	275	210
NATURAL INCREASE													
TOTAL	2,009	2,424	2,351	2,448	2,286	2,233	2,239	2,132	2,024	1,967	2,071	2,164	2,069
Males	1,039	1,236	1,145	1,221	1,187	1,127	1,212	1,112	1,034	974	1,053	1,091	1,001
Females	970	1,188	1,206	1,227	1,099	1,106	1,027	1,020	990	993	1,018	1,073	1,068

SOURCE: Vital Statistics Bulletin, Statistics Department.

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TABLE 3: STATISTIC ON BIRTHS, DEATHS AND NATURAL INCREASE BY SEX AND DIVISION

DIVISION	1992 no.	1993 no.	1994 no.	1995 no.	1996 no.	1997 no.	1998 no.	1999 no.	2000 no.	2001 no.	2002 no.	2003 no.	2004* no.
PERSONS													
Births	2,388	2,833	2,775	2,915	2,742	2,700	2,737	2,599	2,696	2,546	2,662	2,781	2,628
Tongatapu	1,683	2,036	1,966	2,117	1,940	1,932	2,006	2,009	2,097	2,058	2072	2203	2110
Vava'u	400	440	492	456	479	459	418	385	393	321	399	420	371
Ha'apai	164	195	181	222	200	181	197	110	96	74	104	75	85
Eua	107	122	88	97	89	111	90	80	100	82	70	76	59
Niuas	34	40	48	23	34	17	26	15	10	11	17	7	3
Deaths	382	409	424	467	456	467	498	675	672	579	591	617	559
Tongatapu	252	302	280	325	300	302	343	475	442	418	443	496	452
Vava'u	60	53	74	79	77	79	83	111	117	112	94	91	94
Ha'apai	43	33	49	49	51	57	44	56	82	30	39	12	5
Eua	16	9	14	12	15	16	17	28	17	16	14	18	8
Niuas	11	12	7	2	13	13	11	5	14	3	1	0	0
Natural Increase	2,006	2,424	2,351	2,448	2,286	2,233	2,239	1,924	2,024	1,967	2,071	2,164	2,069
Tongatapu	1,431	1,734	1,686	1,792	1,640	1,630	1,663	1,534	1,655	1,640	1,629	1,707	1,658
Vava'u	340	387	418	377	402	380	335	274	276	209	305	329	277
Ha'apai	121	162	132	173	149	124	153	54	14	44	65	63	80
Eua	91	113	74	85	74	95	73	52	83	66	56	58	51
Niuas	23	28	41	21	21	4	15	10	4	8	16	7	3
MALES													
Births	1267	1477	1407	1494	1441	1405	1491	1385	1380	1312	1388	1433	1350
Tongatapu	908	1051	973	1093	1010	981	1081	1069	1074	1059	1077	1123	1080
Vava'u	191	224	255	231	261	268	249	204	201	167	212	234	202
Ha'apai	82	116	103	107	103	101	100	56	44	43	51	39	35
Eua	64	68	49	49	52	46	45	48	58	37	40	33	32
Niuas	22	18	27	14	15	9	16	8	3	6	8	4	1
Deaths	230	242	262	273	254	278	278	379	346	243	335	342	349
Tongatapu	156	179	169	193	168	186	197	277	234	177	249	258	276
Vava'u	38	35	47	41	51	45	50	53	59	37	55	59	65
Ha'apai	24	16	32	32	24	28	17	30	35	20	22	10	3
Eua	7	6	8	7	4	11	10	17	12	7	8	15	5
Niuas	5	6	6	0	7	8	4	2	6	2	1	0	0
Natural Increase	1037	1235	1145	1221	1187	1127	1213	1006	1034	1069	1053	1091	1001
Tongatapu	752	872	804	900	842	795	884	792	840	882	828	865	804
Vava'u	153	189	208	190	210	223	199	151	142	130	157	175	137
Ha'apai	58	100	71	75	79	73	83	26	9	23	29	29	32
Eua	57	62	41	42	48	35	35	31	46	30	32	18	27
Niuas	17	12	21	14	8	1	12	6	-3	4	7	4	1
FEMALES													
Births	1121	1356	1368	1421	1301	1295	1246	1214	1316	1234	1284	1348	1278
Tongatapu	775	985	993	1024	930	951	925	940	1023	999	995	1080	1030
Vava'u	209	216	237	225	218	191	169	181	192	154	187	186	169
Ha'apai	82	79	78	115	97	80	97	54	52	31	53	36	50
Eua	43	54	39	48	37	65	45	32	42	45	40	43	27
Niuas	12	22	21	9	19	8	10	7	7	5	9	3	2
Deaths	152	167	162	194	202	189	220	296	326	166	256	275	210
Tongatapu	96	123	111	132	132	116	146	198	208	124	194	238	176
Vava'u	22	19	27	38	26	34	32	58	58	22	39	32	29
Ha'apai	19	16	17	17	27	29	27	26	47	10	17	2	2
Eua	9	3	6	5	11	5	8	11	5	9	6	3	3
Niuas	6	6	1	2	6	5	7	3	8	1	0	0	0
Natural Increase	969	1189	1206	1227	1099	1106	1026	918	990	1068	1028	1073	1068
Tongatapu	679	862	882	892	798	835	779	742	815	875	801	842	854
Vava'u	187	197	210	187	192	157	137	123	134	132	148	154	140
Ha'apai	63	63	61	98	70	51	70	28	5	21	36	34	48
Eua	34	51	33	43	26	60	37	21	37	36	34	40	24
Niuas	6	16	20	7	13	3	3	4	-1	4	9	3	2

SOURCE: Vital Statistics Bulletin, Statistics Department.

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TABLE 4: BIRTHS, DEATHS, DEATHS UNDER 1 YEAR AND RATE PER 1000

	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004*
Births	2,391	2,833	2,775	2,915	2,742	2,700	2,737	2599	2696	2546	2662	2781	2628
Deaths	382	409	424	467	456	467	498	675	672	579	591	617	559
Deaths < 1	8	12	11	14	21	21	29	48	28	18	26	34	35
<u>RATE PER THOUSAND</u>													
Births	25.1	28.7	27.9	29.1	28.0	27.4	27.6	26.0	26.9	25.3	26.4	27.4	25.9
Deaths	4.0	4.1	4.3	4.7	4.7	4.7	5.0	6.8	6.7	5.8	5.9	6.1	5.5
Infant Deaths (Death < 1)	3.2	4.2	4.0	4.8	7.7	7.8	10.6	18.5	10.4	7.1	9.8	12.2	12.2
NATURAL INCREASE	2,009	2,424	2,351	2,448	2,286	2,233	2,239	1924	2024	1967	2071	2164	2069
RATES OF NATURAL INCREASE	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	22.6	22.6	19.3	20.2	19.5	20.5	21.3	20.3

SOURCE: Vital Statistics Bulletin, Statistics Department.

NOTE: 1/ Rate per thousand for deaths under 1 year is based on live births during the year.

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TABLE 5: POPULATION, AREA AND DENSITY OF POPULATION BY CENSUS DIVISION AND INHABITED ISLANDS

NAME OF DIVISION AND ISLAND	AREA IN SQ.KM	POPULATION (No.)			PERSONS SQ/KM		
		1976	1986	1996	1976	1986	1996
TONGATAPU	260.48	57,411	63,794	66,979	220	245	257
'Ata	0.22	-	6	2	-	27	9
'Atata	0.52	126	187	234	242	360	450
'Eueiki	1.06	131	85	56	124	80	53
Fafa	0.09	-	19	10	-	211	111
Nukunukumotu	1.32	40	47	24	30	36	18
'Oneata	0.06	10	5	3	167	83	50
'Onevai	0.03	-	14	8	-	467	267
Pangaimotu	0.13	-	7	29	-	54	223
Velitua Hahake	0.01	-	-	10	-	-	1,000
Velitua Hihifo	0.01	-	-	17	-	-	1,700
Tongatapu	257.03	57,104	63,424	66,586	222	247	259
VAVA'U	121.00	15,068	15,175	15,715	125	125	130
Foeata	0.10	-	-	5	-	-	50
Hunga	4.69	420	343	347	90	73	74
Kapa	5.96	670	431	410	112	72	69
Kenutu	0.43	-	-	1	-	-	2
Koloa	2.25	315	320	321	140	142	143
Lape	0.39	60	26	21	154	67	54
Noapapu	2.67	461	364	381	173	136	143
Ofu	1.24	281	218	171	227	176	138
Okoa	0.34	183	232	228	538	682	671
Olo'ua	0.49	114	94	110	233	192	224
Ovaka	1.29	182	113	103	141	88	80
Pangaimotu	8.86	666	818	835	75	92	94
Tapana	0.36	-	-	6	-	-	17
Taunga	0.36	141	107	77	392	297	214
'Utungake	0.93	452	429	457	486	461	491
Vaka'eitu	0.90	-	-	4	-	-	4
Vava'u (Mainland)	89.74	11,123	11,680	12,238	124	130	136
HA'APAI	109.98	10,792	8,919	8,138	98	81	74
Foa	13.39	1,703	1,410	1,434	127	105	107
Fonoifua	0.39	158	111	104	405	285	267
Fotuha'a	1.14	203	192	138	178	168	121
Ha'afeva	1.81	548	450	313	303	249	173
Ha'ano	6.58	1,175	727	588	179	110	89
Kotu	0.34	180	233	222	529	685	653
Lifuka	11.42	2,938	2,850	2,966	257	250	260
Lofanga	1.45	428	330	186	295	228	128
Mango	0.65	116	83	81	178	128	125
Matuku	0.34	141	142	149	415	418	438
Mo'unga'one	1.17	321	164	185	274	140	158
Numuka	7.12	966	686	550	136	96	77
Nomukeiki	0.68	-	5	-	-	7	-
'O'ua	0.98	257	266	178	262	271	182
Tofua	55.63	107	89	5	2	2	0
Tungua	1.53	439	301	282	287	197	184
Uiha	5.36	1,112	880	757	207	164	141
'EUA	87.44	4,486	4,393	4,934	51	50	56
'Eua	87.44	4,486	4,393	4,934	51	50	56
NIUAS	71.69	2,328	2,368	2,018	32	33	28
Niuafu'ou	50.27	678	763	735	13	15	15
Niuatoputapu	18.00	1,384	1,321	1,161	77	73	65
Tafahi	3.42	266	284	122	78	83	36
TOTAL	650.59	90,085	94,649	97,784	138	145	150

SOURCE: Population Census Reports 1956, 1966, 1976, 1986 and 1996

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TABLE 6: POPULATION BY CENSUS DIVISION AND DISTRICT

DIVISION/DISTRICT	POPULATION				
	1956	1966	1976	1986	1996
1. TONGATAPU	31,264	47,920	57,411	63,794	66,979
1.1 Kolofo'ou	6,276	11,245	12,767	15,903	16,953
1.2 Kolomotu'a	4,070	7,161	9,794	13,115	14,451
1.3 Vaini	5,932	8,063	9,971	11,104	11,180
1.4 Tatakamotonga	4,177	6,491	7,151	6,773	6,828
1.5 Lapaha	4,324	6,140	7,554	7,005	7,370
1.6 Nukunuku	3,634	5,122	6,026	5,863	6,160
1.7 Kolovai	2,851	3,698	4,148	4,031	4,037
2. VAVA'U	12,477	13,533	15,068	15,175	15,715
2.1 Neiafu	4,047	4,912	4,661	5,268	5,650
2.2 Pangaimotu	957	885	1,118	1,247	1,298
2.3 Hahake	1,816	2,000	2,375	2,299	2,291
2.4 Leimatu'a	2,162	2,370	2,787	2,884	2,753
2.5 Hihifo	1,767	1,797	2,193	2,093	2,375
2.6 Motu	1,728	1,569	1,934	1,384	1,348
3. HA'APAI	9,918	10,591	10,792	8,919	8,138
3.1 Pangai	3,220	3,161	2,938	2,850	2,966
3.2 Foa	1,374	1,617	1,703	1,410	1,434
3.3 Lulunga	1,541	1,699	1,768	1,584	1,282
3.4 Mu'omu'a	944	1,097	1,240	885	735
3.5 Ha'ano	1,526	1,469	1,496	891	773
3.6 'Uiha	1,313	1,548	1,647	1,299	948
4. 'EUA	1,925	3,391	4,486	4,393	4,934
4.1 'Eua Motu'a	802	1,721	2,378	2,400	2,766
4.2 'Eua Fo'ou	1,123	1,670	2,108	1,993	2,168
5. NIUAS	1,254	1,994	2,328	2,368	2,018
5.1 Niuatoputapu	1,254	1,395	1,650	1,605	1,283
5.2 Niuafa'ou	-	599	678	763	735
TOTAL	56,838	77,429	90,085	94,649	97,784

SOURCE: Population Census Reports 1956, 1966, 1976, 1986 and 1996

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TABLE 7: POPULATION OF TONGA BY BROAD AGE GROUP AND BY SEX

AGE GROUP	1966 CENSUS			1976 CENSUS			1986 CENSUS			1996 CENSUS		
	MALES	FEMALES	TOTAL	MALES	FEMALES	TOTAL	MALES	FEMALES	TOTAL	MALES	FEMALES	TOTAL
0	1,523	1,452	2,975	1,202	1,086	2,288	1,376	1,338	2,714	1,275	1,209	2,484
1	1,593	1,400	2,993	1,287	1,171	2,458	1,456	1,366	2,822	1,445	1,409	2,854
2	1,437	1,296	2,733	1,334	1,208	2,542	1,418	1,342	2,760	1,401	1,327	2,728
3	1,502	1,396	2,898	1,406	1,224	2,630	1,490	1,400	2,890	1,473	1,338	2,811
4	1,412	1,315	2,727	1,339	1,279	2,618	1,415	1,315	2,730	1,393	1,209	2,602
05 - 09	5,985	5,561	11,546	7,455	6,920	14,375	6,535	6,139	12,674	6,539	6,139	12,258
10 - 14	5,157	4,716	9,873	6,847	6,280	13,127	6,205	5,647	11,852	6,482	6,039	12,521
15 - 19	4,001	3,824	7,825	5,463	5,069	10,532	6,459	5,931	12,390	5,609	5,286	10,895
20 - 24	3,118	3,101	6,219	3,829	3,700	7,529	4,548	4,403	8,951	4,445	4,277	8,722
25 - 29	2,749	2,692	5,441	2,679	2,832	5,511	2,967	3,103	6,070	3,972	3,785	7,757
30 - 34	2,284	2,258	4,542	2,280	2,505	4,785	2,359	2,727	5,086	3,009	2,909	5,918
35 - 39	2,106	2,048	4,154	2,239	2,294	4,533	1,868	2,249	4,117	2,244	2,442	4,686
40 - 44	1,736	1,585	3,321	1,985	2,001	3,986	1,807	2,037	3,844	1,933	2,189	4,122
45 - 49	1,427	1,284	2,711	1,740	1,738	3,478	1,668	1,882	3,570	1,606	1,892	3,498
50 - 54	1,088	976	2,064	1,476	1,382	2,858	1,582	1,666	3,248	1,548	1,762	3,310
55 - 59	773	711	1,484	1,179	1,058	2,237	1,378	1,410	2,788	1,500	1,508	3,008
60 - 64	671	671	1,342	835	773	1,608	1,069	1,034	2,103	1,289	1,273	2,562
65 - 69	472	488	960	617	538	1,155	815	791	1,606	995	976	1,971
70 - 74	327	318	645	398	416	814	544	517	1,061	691	679	1,370
75 +	351	459	810	430	560	990	583	717	1,300	766	941	1,707
Not Stated	125	41	166	16	15	31	49	24	73	-	-	-
TOTAL	39,837	37,592	77,429	46,036	44,049	90,085	47,611	47,038	94,649	49,615	48,169	97,784
FOR SPECIFIC AGE GROUPS												
Under 15	18,609	17,136	35,745	20,870	19,168	40,038	19,895	18,547	38,442	20,008	18,250	38,258
15 - 64	19,953	19,150	39,103	23,705	23,352	47,057	25,725	26,442	52,167	27,155	27,323	54,478
65+	1,150	1,265	2,415	1,445	1,514	2,959	1,942	2,025	3,967	2,452	2,596	5,048
Not stated	125	41	166	16	15	31	49	24	73	-	-	-
Dependency Ratio 1/	99.0	96.1	97.6	94.1	88.6	91.4	84.9	77.8	81.3	82.7	76.3	79.5

SOURCE: Population Census Reports 1966, 1976, 1986 and 1996

NOTE: 1/ Worked out as ratio of (UNDER 15 + 65+)/15-64 x 100

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TABLE 8: CHILDREN EVER BORN TO WOMEN AGED 15+ BY AGE GROUP

AGE GROUP/YEAR	Number							
	1966		1976 x		1986		1996	
	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B
15 - 19	3,824	178	250	124	5,881	262	5,236	153
20 - 24	3,101	2,265	1,514	1,896	4,329	2,170	4,214	1,919
25 - 29	2,692	6,114	2,084	5,255	3,029	5,440	3,702	5,643
30 - 34	2,258	9,215	2,157	8,409	2,643	8,236	2,826	7,914
35 - 39	2,048	10,956	2,109	10,552	2,170	9,222	2,344	9,495
40 - 44	1,585	10,241	1,857	11,292	1,996	9,884	2,124	10,321
45 - 49	1,284	8,588	1,625	10,205	1,856	9,993	1,840	9,475
ALL AGES 15+	16,792	47,557	11,596	47,733	21,904	45,207	22,286	44,920

TABLE 9: CHILDREN STILL ALIVE AMONGST THOSE BORN TO WOMEN AGED 15+ BY AGE GROUP

AGE GROUP/YEAR	Number							
	1966		1976 x		1986		1996	
	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B
15 - 19	3,824	171	250	121	5,881	250	5,236	147
20 - 24	3,101	2,148	1,514	1,847	4,329	2,116	4,214	1,887
25 - 29	2,692	5,752	2,084	5,100	3,029	5,303	3,702	5,546
30 - 34	2,258	8,494	2,157	8,056	2,643	8,002	2,826	7,746
35 - 39	2,048	9,893	2,109	10,122	2,170	8,961	2,344	9,266
40 - 44	1,585	9,015	1,857	10,638	1,996	9,507	2,124	9,965
45 - 49	1,284	7,253	1,625	9,431	1,856	9,470	1,840	9,150
ALL AGES 15+	16,792	42,726	11,596	45,315	21,904	43,609	22,286	43,707

SOURCE: Population Census Reports 1966, 1976, 1986 and 1996

NOTE: A Total number of Women in each age group

B Total number of children born to women in each age group

X Only married women

TABLE 10: MARITAL STATUS OF POPULATION 15 YEARS OF AGE & OVER BY SEX

	1956	1966	1976	1986 1/	1996 1/
A. MALES	16,087	21,228	25,166	27,047	28,822
1. Never Married	6,683	8,851	10,940	12,461	12,722
2. Married	8,422	11,549	13,134	13,558	15,008
3. Widowed	728	629	712	636	716
4. Divorced/Separated	167	190	347	304	374
5. Not Stated	87	9	33	88	2
B. FEMALES	15,781	20,456	24,881	27,948	29,284
1. Never Married	5,724	6,850	8,730	10,509	10,652
2. Married	8,089	11,832	13,681	15,129	16,011
3. Widowed	1,543	1,554	1,920	1,785	2,049
4. Divorced/Separated	186	219	507	479	572
5. Not Stated	239	1	43	46	-
C. TOTALS	31,868	41,684	50,047	54,995	58,106
1. Never Married	12,407	15,701	19,670	22,970	23,374
2. Married	16,511	23,381	26,815	28,687	31,019
3. Widowed	2,271	2,183	2,632	2,421	2,765
4. Divorced/Separated	353	409	854	783	946
5. Not Stated	326	10	76	134	2
PERCENTAGE DISTRIBUTION:					
A. MALES	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1. Never Married	41.5	41.7	43.5	46.1	44.1
2. Married	52.4	54.4	52.2	50.1	52.1
3. Widowed	4.5	3.0	2.8	2.4	2.5
4. Divorced/Separated	1.0	0.9	1.4	1.1	1.3
5. Not Stated	0.5	0.0	0.1	0.3	0.0
B. FEMALES	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1. Never Married	36.3	33.5	35.1	37.6	36.4
2. Married	51.3	57.8	55.0	54.1	54.7
3. Widowed	9.8	7.6	7.7	6.4	7.0
4. Divorced/Separated	1.2	1.1	2.0	1.7	2.0
5. Not Stated	1.5	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.0
C. TOTALS	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1. Never Married	38.9	37.7	39.3	41.8	40.2
2. Married	51.8	56.1	53.6	52.2	53.4
3. Widowed	7.1	5.2	5.3	4.4	4.8
4. Divorced/Separated	1.1	1.0	1.7	1.4	1.6
5. Not Stated	1.0	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.0

SOURCE: Population Census Reports 1956, 1966, 1976, 1986 and 1996

NOTE: 1/ Tongan and Part Tongan only

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TABLE 11: POPULATION OF TONGA BY SIZE OF HOUSEHOLDS

SIZE OF HOUSEHOLDS	POPULATION IN HOUSEHOLDS (No.)		NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS	
	1996	1986	1996	1986
One Person	912	750	912	750
Two Persons	2,526	1,892	1,263	946
Three Persons	4,707	4,089	1,569	1,363
Four Persons	7,888	6,904	1,972	1,726
Five Persons	10,270	10,090	2,054	2,018
Six Persons	12,300	11,670	2,050	1,945
Seven Persons	12,663	12,124	1,809	1,732
Eight Persons	11,368	11,216	1,421	1,402
Nine Persons	9,450	9,315	1,050	1,035
Ten Persons	7,370	7,030	737	703
Eleven Persons	4,906	5,588	446	508
Twelve Persons	3,552	3,960	296	330
Thirteen Persons	2,860	2,860	220	220
Fourteen Persons	1,820	1,778	130	127
Fifteen or More Persons	3,975	4,290	265	286
TOTAL	96,567	93,556	16,194	15,091

SOURCE: Population Census Reports 1986 & 1996

Note: excluding Institutions

TABLE 12: AVERAGE NUMBER OF PERSONS PER HOUSEHOLD BY CENSUS DIVISION

DIVISION	NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS			
	1966	1976	1986	1996
NO. OF HOUSEHOLDS				
Tongatapu	6,632	8,578	9,723	10,796
Ha'apai	1,618	1,775	1,615	1,469
Vava'u	2,137	2,423	2,547	2,728
'Eua	565	748	790	820
Niuas	338	384	416	381
TOTAL	11,290	13,908	15,091	16,194
POPULATION				
Tongatapu	47,920	57,411	63,794	66,979
Ha'apai	10,591	10,792	8,919	8,138
Vava'u	13,533	15,068	15,175	15,715
'Eua	3,391	4,486	4,393	4,934
Niuas	1,994	2,328	2,368	2,018
TOTAL	77,429	90,085	94,649	97,784
AVERAGE NO. OF PERSONS PER HOUSEHOLD				
Tongatapu	7.2	6.7	6.6	6.2
Ha'apai	6.5	6.1	5.5	5.5
Vava'u	6.3	6.2	6.0	5.8
'Eua	6.0	6.0	5.6	6.0
Niuas	5.9	6.1	5.7	5.3
TOTAL	6.9	6.5	6.3	6.0

SOURCE: Population Census Reports 1966, 1976, 1986 & 1996

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TABLE 13: HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE OF DWELLING

	1966	1976	1986	1996
European Style:				
Brick/Cement	na	2,128	2,600	3,154
Wood	4,521	6,316	9,089	10,760
Tongan Style:				
Iron Roof/Wooden Walls	482	1,367	1,126	-
Thatch Roof. Wooden Walls	777	363	631	502
Iron Roof/Thatch Walls	610	438	-	365
Thatch Roof/Thatch Walls	4,294	2,708	1,111	1,110
Others:				
	491	536	246	303
Not Stated	-	52	288	-
TOTAL	11,175	13,908	15,091	16,194

SOURCE: Population Census Reports 1966, 1976, 1986 & 1996

TABLE 14: POPULATION OF TONGA BY RELIGIOUS DENOMINATIONS

RELIGION	NUMBERS 1966	NUMBERS 1976	NUMBERS 1986 1/	NUMBERS 1996 1/
Free Wesleyan	38,616	42,687	40,371	39,703
Roman Catholic	12,358	14,514	14,921	15,309
Free Church of Tonga	11,066	12,326	10,413	11,226
Church of Tonga	6,967	8,031	6,882	7,016
Latter Day Saints	5,519	8,350	11,270	13,225
Tokaikolo Christian Church	-	-	3,047	2,919
Seventh Day Adventists	1,397	1,919	2,143	2,381
Anglican Church	811	874	563	720
Assemblies of God	24	338	565	1,082
All Others	610	813	1,387	2,439
Not Stated	61	233	1,487	-
TOTAL	77,429	90,085	93,049	96,020
PERCENTAGE DISTRIBUTION:				
Free Wesleyan	49.9	47.4	43.4	41.3
Roman Catholic	16.0	16.1	16.0	15.9
Free Church of Tonga	14.3	13.7	11.2	11.7
Church of Tonga	9.0	8.9	7.4	7.3
Latter Day Saints	7.1	9.3	12.1	13.8
Tokaikolo Christian Church	0.0	0.0	3.3	3.0
Seventh Day Adventists	1.8	2.1	2.3	2.5
Anglican Church	1.0	1.0	0.6	0.7
Assemblies of God	0.0	0.4	0.6	1.1
All Others	0.8	0.9	1.5	2.5
Not Stated	0.1	0.3	1.6	0.0
TOTAL	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

SOURCE: Population Census Reports 1966, 1976, 1986 & 1996

NOTE: 1/ Tongan and Part Tongan only

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TABLE 15: HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE OF DWELLING BY CENSUS DIVISION

	TONGATAPU	VAVA'U	HA'APAI	'EUA	NIUAS	TOTAL
1966						
European Style:						
Brick/Cement } Wood }	2,570	1,156	534	205	56	4,521
Tongan Style:						
Iron Roof/Wooden Walls	249	47	159	19	8	482
Thatch Roof. Wooden Walls	516	132	70	28	31	777
Iron Roof/Thatch Walls	258	114	215	13	10	610
Thatch Roof/Thatch Walls	2,773	435	616	279	191	4,294
Others:	124	237	86	12	32	491
Not Stated	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	6,490	2,121	1,680	556	328	11,175
1976						
European Style:						
Brick/Cement	1,675	189	97	113	54	2,128
Wood	4,019	1,198	700	363	36	6,316
Tongan Style:						
Iron Roof/Wooden Walls	748	343	212	47	17	1,367
Thatch Roof. Wooden Walls	199	80	21	51	12	363
Iron Roof/Thatch Walls	230	57	123	21	7	438
Thatch Roof/Thatch Walls	1,487	425	488	126	182	2,708
Others:	202	122	111	27	74	536
Not Stated	18	9	23	-	2	52
TOTAL	8,578	2,423	1,775	748	384	13,908
1986						
European Style:						
Brick/Cement	1,863	395	114	118	110	2,600
Wood	5,883	1,538	1,139	426	103	9,089
Tongan Style:						
Iron Roof/Wooden Walls	669	239	132	69	17	1,126
Thatch Roof/ Wooden Walls	365	115	52	49	50	631
Iron Roof/Thatch Walls	-	-	-	-	-	-
Thatch Roof/Thatch Walls	619	174	113	103	102	1,111
Others:	118	50	45	4	29	246
Not Stated	206	36	20	21	5	288
TOTAL	9,723	2,547	1,615	790	416	15,091
1996						
European Style:						
Brick/Cement	2,125	602	133	179	115	3,154
Wood	7,377	1,667	1,080	491	145	10,760
Tongan Style:						
Thatch Roof. Wooden Walls	317	91	38	37	19	502
Iron Roof/Thatch Walls	209	83	38	22	13	365
Thatch Roof/Thatch Walls	610	201	152	80	67	1,110
Others:	158	84	28	11	22	303
Not Stated	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	10,796	2,728	1,469	820	381	16,194

SOURCE: Population Census Reports 1966, 1976, 1986 & 1996

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TABLE 16: HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE OF FUEL USED FOR COOKING BY CENSUS DIVISION

TYPE OF COOKING FUEL USED	Census Year	Tongatapu	Vava'u	Ha'apai	'Eua	Niuas	Total
Electricity	1996	1,321	259	66	75	2	1,723
	1986	327	32	5	3	-	367
Gas	1996	6,989	991	514	293	40	8,827
	1986	1,816	178	90	32	5	2,121
Kerosene	1996	2,232	873	372	177	143	3,797
	1986	797	76	46	10	14	943
Wood	1996	7,382	2,225	1,238	736	366	11,947
	1986	6,574	2,225	1,452	722	388	11,361
Other	1996	70	12	4	-	1	87
	1986	15	3	2	-	-	20
Not Stated	1996	-	-	-	-	-	-
	1986	194	33	20	23	9	279

SOURCE: Population Census Reports 1966, 1976, 1986 & 1996

Note: 1996 Census data were the available source for energy for cooking in the household

TABLE 17: HOUSEHOLDS BY SOURCE OF ENERGY FOR LIGHTING ACCORDING TO 1996 CENSUS

SOURCE	Tongatapu	Vava'u	Ha'apai	'Eua	Niuas	Total
Electricity Supply	9,417	1,996	650	656	8	12,727
Electric Generator	158	59	104	7	27	355
Benzine	282	127	155	22	87	673
Kerosene	3,103	1,094	979	355	357	5,888
Solar	73	289	46	2	20	430
Other	276	40	1	3	-	320
Not Stated	-	-	-	-	-	-

SOURCE: Population Census Reports 1966, 1976, 1986 & 1996

Note: 1996 Census data were the available source for energy for lighting in the household

TABLE 18: HOUSEHOLDS BY SOURCE OF WATER SUPPLY BY CENSUS DIVISION

	Census Year	Tongatapu	Vava'u	Ha'apai	'Eua	Niuas	Total
Piped Supply	1996	10,316	1,902	666	611	210	13,705
	1986	8,911	1,132	246	605	206	11,100
Own Tank	1996	5,307	1,939	1,355	606	237	9,444
	1986	431	895	1,160	100	129	2,715
Own Well	1996	216	27	145	2	3	393
	1986	157	62	120	-	1	340
Other	1996	97	56	6	9	7	175
	1986	87	429	69	68	77	730
Not Stated	1996	-	-	-	-	-	-
	1986	137	29	20	17	3	206

SOURCE: Population Census Reports 1966, 1976, 1986 & 1996

Note: 1996 Census data were the available source of water in the household

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TABLE 19: HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE OF LATRINE BY CENSUS DIVISION

	Census Year	Tongatapu	Vava'u	Ha'apai	'Eua	Niuas	Total
	Flush Toilet (Mechanical)	1996	7,227	1,023	359	323	101
	1986	4,137	455	164	99	52	4,907
Manual flush	1996	2,492	78	141	80	8	2,799
	1986	3,053	60	149	94	10	3,366
Pit	1996	1,879	2,047	1,095	484	294	5,799
	1986	2,260	1,982	1,177	559	319	6,297
Other Type	1996	41	7	3	2	-	53
	1986	34	5	81	-	29	149
No Latrine	1996	50	16	6	11	9	92
	1986	43	17	23	19	1	103
Not Stated	1996	-	-	-	-	-	-
	1986	196	28	21	19	5	269

TABLE 20: HOUSEHOLDS BY TENURE OF HOUSE BY CENSUS DIVISION

	Census Year	Tongatapu	Vava'u	Ha'apai	'Eua	Niuas	Total
	Own House	1996	8,638	2,332	1,231	688	298
	1986	na	na	na	na	na	12,252
Rented	1996	531	46	29	6	2	614
	1986	na	na	na	na	na	288
Rent Free	1996	1,420	287	190	113	80	2,090
	1986	na	na	na	na	na	1,457
Other	1996	207	63	19	13	1	303
	1986	na	na	na	na	na	628
Not Stated	1996	-	-	-	-	-	-
	1986	na	na	na	na	na	-

SOURCE: Population Census Reports 1966, 1976, 1986 & 1996