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PREFACE

This bulletin is produced by the Statistics Department on monthly migration statistics of the Kingdom for the month of April 2016. It shows the international arrivals and departures by months back to January 2010, mode of transportation, type of passengers, purpose of visit, age group of passengers and some charts for analysis purposes.

The data is extracted from the arrival and departure cards of the Immigration Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and Customs Department's vessel & yacht log book.

This bulletin also presents information relating to gender of passengers and country of usual residence, and country visited.

Special thanks are extended to the Immigration Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Customs Department of the Ministry of Revenue Services, Airport Terminal Services, Tonga Airport Limited and Ports Authority for their assistance in providing their administrative information relating to these statistics. I am also grateful particularly to my staff members who contributed to the compilation of this report.

Any suggestions that recipients of this bulletin wish to make for its future improvement will be welcome by the Statistics Department.

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INTERNATIONAL ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES April 2016

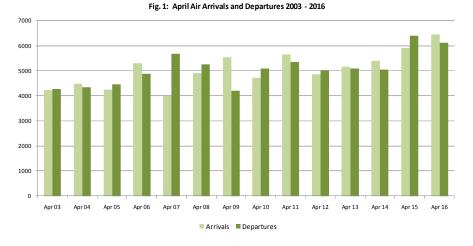
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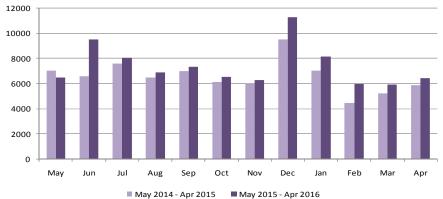
Month of		Change from	Change from
April 2016	Number	previous month	previous year
All Arrivals	10,153	37.5	28.7
Air Visitors	3,537	6.7	-2.9
Air Returning Residents	2,918	10.0	28.2
Cruise Ships	3,690	161.5	90.2
Yachts	8	100.0	-74.2
All Departures	9,839	15.9	17.4

- An increase of 37.5% of all arrivals (10,153) compared to the previous month of March 2016 (7,383)
- An increase of 6.7% of all air visitors (3,537) compared to March 2016 (3,315)
- An increase of 10.0% (2,918) of returning residents compared to previous month (2,653)
- An increase of 161.5% (3,690) of Cruise Ship passengers compared to the previous month (1,411)
- Again an increase of 100% (8) of arrivals by yacht compared to previous month (4)
- An increase of 15.9% of all departures from March 2016.



- Total air arrivals in April 2016 were 6,455 an increase of 9.1% compared to April 2015 (5,919).
- Total air departures of 6,135 in April 2016, a decline of 4.3% compared to April 2015 (6,408)





• Total air visitor arrivals in April 2016 were 3,537 a decline of 2.9% compared to April 2015 (3,642)

Fig. 3: Air Visitors by Purpose of Visit April, 2016

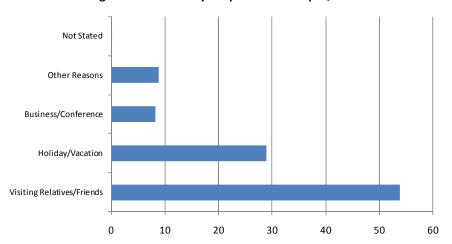


Fig. 4: Air visitors by Country of Usual Residence April, 2016

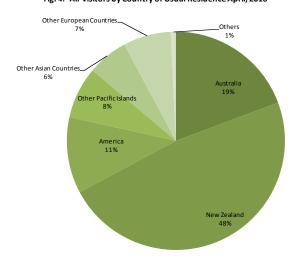
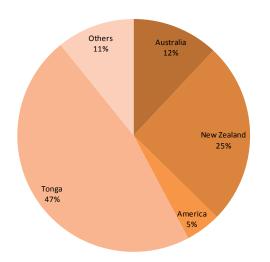


Fig. 5: Air Departures by Country of Usual Residence April, 2016



- Visiting Relatives/Friends made up 53.8% (1,903) of all air visitors to the Kingdom in the month of April.
- 28.9% (1,021) of the total visitors were here on Holiday/Vacation
- Visitors who were here on Business or Conference made up 8.3% (294) and those with other reasons were 8.8% (312)
- New Zealand remains as the leading country in visitors arrivals by country of usual residence, accounting for 47.8% (1,692) of total air visitors
- This was followed by Australia with 19.3 % (683), and USA 11.3% (401)

 Most of the persons departing in the month of April were residents of Tonga (2,878) followed by New Zealand (1,552) and Australia (739)

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, 2011 - 2015

	Visitors Arri	vals			Returning	Residents	Total Arrivals	;			Total Depar	rtures			Net
Period			Yacht	Total	Air	Ship Yacht Total	Air	Ship	Yacht	Total	Air	Ship	Yacht	Total	Migration
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	25,107	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
2014	48,854	13,733	1,632	64,219	26,128	26,128	74,982	13,733	1,632	90,347	78,604	13,724	1,762	94,090	(3,743
2015	53,752	17,375	1,426	72,553	31,517	31,517	85,269	17,375	1,426	104,070	86,574	17,383	1,422	105,379	(1,309
		,		,		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	1,983	1,947	4,424	1,407	16	5,847	4,526	1,411	18	5,955	(108)
	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
April															
May	3,812	-	250	4,062	2,588	2,588	6,400	-	250	6,650	5,565	-	89	5,654	996
June	4,323	2 276	242	4,565	1,913	1,913	6,236	2 276	242	6,478	5,240		194	5,434	1,044
July	5,280 4,486	2,376	239 419	7,895 4,905	1,998	1,998 1,889	7,278	2,376	239	9,893	7,415	2,378	232 199	10,025	(132)
August September	4,486 3,561	-	419 242	4,905 3,803	1,889 2,063	1,889 2,063	6,375 5,624	-	419 242	6,794 5,866	7,266 6,315	4,391	199 281	7,465 10,987	(671) (5,121)
October	3,155	4,387	257	7,799	2,063	2,063	5,319	4,387	257	9,963	5,927	4,391	280	6,207	3,756
November	2,996	-,507	112	3,108	2,354	2,354	5,350	-,507	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
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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		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
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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 March	2,621 2,797	1,310 626	11	3,933 3,434	1,816 1,880	1,816 1,880	4,437 4,677	1,310 626	11	5,749 5,314	6,077 5,035	1,310 626	10	7,387 5,671	(1,638)
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
Мау	3,965	5,205	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 Aug	5,477 5,090	-	233 201	5,710 5,291	2,128 1,432	2,128 1,432	7,605 6,522	-	233 201	7,838 6,723	8,213 6,753	-	286 192	8,499 6,945	(661)
Aug September	4,779	308	201	5,291	2,248	2,248	7,027	308	201	7,544	7,035	308	271	7,614	(222)
October	4,102	1,760	307	6,169	2,064	2,064	6,166	1,760	307	8,233	6,588	1,759	381	8,728	(495)
November	3,488	199	81	3,768	2,559	2,559	6,047	199	81	6,327	5,892	199	155	6,246	81
December	7,301	303	8	7,612	2,206	2,206	9,507	303	8	9,818	8,356	303	13	8,672	1,146
				,		2015				-,	, , , , , ,			-,-	, , , , ,
January	3,343	2,935	20	6,298	3,720	3,720	7,063	2,935	20	10,018	8,779	2,935	29	11,743	(1,725)
February	2,381	2,373	23	4,777	2,119	2,119	4,500	2,373	23	6,896	5,498	2,373	7	7,878	(982)
March	2,944	2,011	6	4,961	2,277	2,277	5,221	2,011	6	7,238	5,635	2,011	9	7,655	(417
April	3,642	1,940	31	5,613	2,277	2,277	5,919	1,940	31	7,890	6,408	1,940	30	8,378	(488)
May	3,820	555	203	4,578	2,690	2,690	6,510	555	203	7,268	5,968	555	89	6,612	656
June	5,898	1,757	155	7,810	3,652	3,652	9,550	1,757	155	11,462	5,600	1,757	251	7,608	3,854
July	5,961	-	176	6,137	2,115	2,115	8,076	-	176	8,252	10,489	-	143	10,632	(2,380)
August	4,809	-	231	5,040	2,085	2,085	6,894	-	231	7,125	7,606	-	206	7,812	(687)
September	4,915	1,953	282	7,150	2,454	2,454	7,369	1,953	282	9,604	6,604	1,958	260	8,822	782
October	4,045	3,460	203	7,708	2,529	2,529	6,574	3,460	203	10,237	7,326	3,463	251	11,040	(803)
November	3,550	291	96	3,937	2,769	2,769	6,319	291	96	6,706	6,817	291	142	7,250	(544)
1	8,444	100	-	8,544	2,830	2,830	11,274	100	-	11,374	9,844	100	5	9,949	1,425
December	December 8,444 100 - 8,544 2,830 2,830 11,274 100 - 11,374 9,844 100 5 9,949 1,425 2016														
	3,581	-	-	3,581	4,569	4,569	8,150	-	-	8,150	9,441	-	1	9,442	(1,292)
December	3,581 3,259	- 5,474	-	3,581 8,733	4,569 2,720	4,569 2,720	8,150 5,979	- 5,474	-	8,150 11,453	9,441 7,592	- 5,467	_ 1 -	9,442 13,059	(1,292) (1,606)
December January			- - 4 8									- 5,467 1,411 3,698	1 - 4 6		

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Table 2. Total Arrivals by Age, Type of Passangers and Gender April, 2016

				Type of Passangers						
Age Group		Total			Visitors		Returning Residents			
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	
0-4	270	123	147	155	67	88	115	56	59	
5-9	224	115	109	138	70	68	86	45	41	
10-14	201	101	100	131	63	68	70	38	32	
15-19	291	131	160	189	78	111	102	53	49	
20-24	489	245	244	216	84	132	273	161	112	
25-29	546	299	247	260	129	131	286	170	116	
30-34	642	332	310	323	149	174	319	183	136	
35-39	601	317	284	308	159	149	293	158	135	
40-44	598	320	278	318	158	160	280	162	118	
45-49	647	343	304	351	177	174	296	166	130	
50-54	591	319	272	355	197	158	236	122	114	
55-59	451	231	220	260	136	124	191	95	96	
60-64	336	181	155	193	107	86	143	74	69	
65-69	254	142	112	172	92	80	82	50	32	
70-74	171	97	74	89	57	32	82	40	42	
75+	143	69	74	79	36	43	64	33	31	
Total	6,455	3,365	3,090	3,537	1,759	1,778	2,918	1,606	1,312	
% Distribution	100.0	52.1	47.9	54.8	27.3	27.5	45.2	24.9	20.3	

Table 3. Total Visitors by Usual Residence and Purpose of Visit April, 2016

Country of	Purpose of Visit								
Usual Residence	Total	%	Holiday/	Business/	Business/ Visiting Relative/		Not		
		Distribution	Vacation	Conference	Friends	Reasons	Stated		
Australia	683	19.3	170	45	403	64	1		
New Zealand	1,692	47.8	470	95	1,015	110	2		
Fiji	175	4.9	36	37	69	33	-		
American Samoa	5	0.1	-	-	5	-	-		
Western Samoa	23	0.7	-	9	9	5	-		
Other Pacific Islands	69	2.0	4	19	39	6	1		
Japan	44	1.2	20	7	16	1	-		
China	84	2.4	24	23	15	22	-		
India	5	0.1	-	2	2	1	-		
Korea	2	0.1	2	-	-	-	-		
Other Asian Countries	77	2.2	28	13	29	7	-		
uĸ	53	1.5	24	8	16	5	-		
Germany	73	2.1	53	3	13	4	-		
France	26	0.7	14	1	4	7	-		
Italy	5	0.1	3	1	1	-	-		
Other European Countries	93	2.6	71	6	11	4	1		
All African Countries	7	0.2	2	1	3	1	-		
United States of America	401	11.3	92	19	247	41	2		
Canada	11	0.3	7	3	-	1	-		
Other American Countries	9	0.3	1	2	6	-	-		
Total	3,537	100.0	1,021	294	1,903	312	7		
% Distribution	100.0		28.9	8.3	53.8	8.8	0.2		

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Table 4: AIR DEPARTURES by Age Group, Passanger's Type for April, 2016

	Returning	Percentage		Percentage		Percentage
Age Group	Residence	Distribution	Visitors	Distribution	Total	Distribution
0 - 4	84	2.9	106	3.3	190	3.1
5 - 9	84	2.9	107	3.3	191	3.1
10 - 14	46	1.6	118	3.6	164	2.7
15 - 19	99	3.4	163	5.0	262	4.3
20 - 24	284	9.9	192	5.9	476	7.8
25 - 29	339	11.8	236	7.2	575	9.4
30 - 34	351	12.2	324	9.9	675	11.0
35 - 39	279	9.7	279	8.6	558	9.1
40 - 44	256	8.9	277	8.5	533	8.7
45 - 49	297	10.3	342	10.5	639	10.4
50 - 54	208	7.2	334	10.3	542	8.8
55 - 59	177	6.2	249	7.6	426	6.9
60 - 64	126	4.4	204	6.3	330	5.4
65 - 69	109	3.8	162	5.0	271	4.4
70 - 74	66	2.3	86	2.6	152	2.5
75+	73	2.5	78	2.4	151	2.5
All Ages	2,878	100.0	3,257	100.0	6,135	100.0
YACHT	-	-	6	0	6	0
CRUISE SHIP	-	-	3,698	0	3698	0
Total	2,878	100.0	6,961	100.0	9,839	100.0

Table 5. Total Departures by Country of Residence and Gender April, 2016

Country of Usual	Male	Percent	Female	Percent	Total	Percent
Residence	No.	Distribution	No.	Distribution	No.	Distribution
Australia	372	11.1	367	13.2	739	12.0
New Zealand	759	22.6	793	28.5	1,552	25.3
Fiji	67	2.0	66	2.4	133	2.2
American Samoa	5	0.1	5	0.2	10	0.2
Western Samoa	12	0.4	8	0.3	20	0.3
Tonga	1,694	50.5	1,184	42.6	2,878	46.9
Other Pacific Islands	25	0.7	31	1.1	56	0.9
Japan	28	0.8	24	0.9	52	0.8
China	55	1.6	18	0.6	73	1.2
India	3	0.1	-	-	3	0.0
Korea	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Asian Countries	27	0.8	28	1.0	55	0.9
UK	24	0.7	24	0.9	48	0.8
Germany	37	1.1	28	1.0	65	1.1
France	18	0.5	7	0.3	25	0.4
Italy	5	0.1	1	0.0	6	0.1
Other European Countries	44	1.3	50	1.8	94	1.5
All African Countries	3	0.1	-	-	3	0.0
United States of America	166	4.9	136	4.9	302	4.9
Canada	7	0.2	5	0.2	12	0.2
Other American Countries	6	0.2	3	0.1	9	0.1
Total	3,357	100.0	2,778	100.0	6,135	100.0

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