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PREFACE

This bulletin is produced by the Statistics Department on monthly migration statistics of the Kingdom for the month of February 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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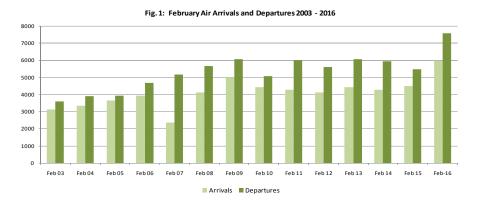
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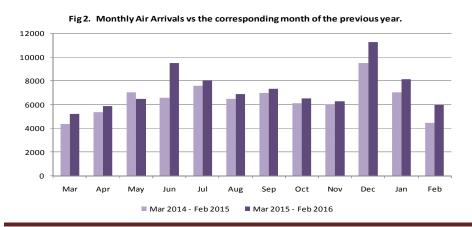
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Month of		Change from	Change from
February 2016	Number	previous month	previous year
All Arrivals	11,453	40.5	66.1
Air Visitors	3,259	-9.0	36.9
Air Returning Residents	2,720	-40.5	28.4
Cruise Ships	5,474	0.0	130.7
Yachts	-	0.0	0.0
All Departures	13,059	38.3	65.8

- An increase of 40.5% of all arrivals (11,453) compared to the previous month of January 2016 (8,150)
- A decline of 9.0% of all air visitors (3,259) compared to January 2016 (3,581)
- A decline of 40.5% (2,720) of returning residents compared to previous month (4,569)
- There were 5,474 passengers arrived by cruise ship, for the month of February 2016.
- There were no arrivals by yacht for February 2016
- An increase of 38.3% of all departures from January 2016.

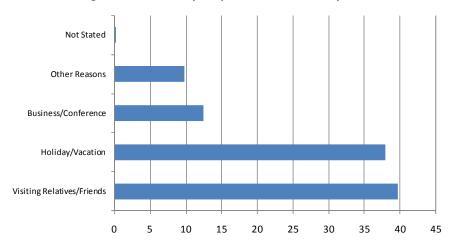


- Total air arrivals in February 2016 were 5,979 an increase of 32.9% compared to February 2015 (4,500).
- Total air departures of 7,592 in February 2016, an increase of 38.1% compared to February 2015 (5,498)

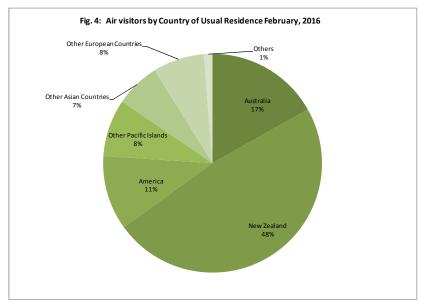


Total air visitor arrivals in February 2016 were 3,259 an increase of 36.9% compared to February 2015 (2,381)

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

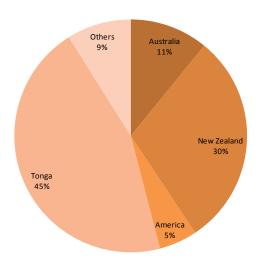


- Visiting Relatives/Friends made up 39.6% (1,292) of all air visitors to the Kingdom in the month of February.
- 37.9% (1,234) of the total visitors were here on Holiday/Vacation
- Visitors who were here on Business or Conference made up 12.5% (408) and those with other reasons were 9.8% (320)



- New Zealand remains as the leading country in visitors arrivals by country of usual residence, accounting for 48.2% (1,572) of total air visitors
- This was followed by Australia with 16.8 % (549), and USA 11.0% (357)

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



 Most of the persons departing in the month of February were residents of Tonga (3,428) followed by New Zealand (2,259) and Australia (828)

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

H-	Visitors Arr						Total Arrivals				Total Depa				Net
2005		Ship	Yacht	Total	Air	Residents Ship Yacht Total	Air	Ship	Yacht	Total	Air	Ship	Yacht	Total	Migration
	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 2012	46,005 47,457	20,519 7,957	1,849 1,816	68,373 57,230	26,587 25,170	26,587	72,592 72,627	20,519 7,957	1,849 1,816	94,960 82,400	73,589 74,098	20,550 7,987	1,468 1,720	95,607 83,805	(647) (1,405)
2012	48,188	9,432	2,045	59,665	25,170	25,107 25,808	73,996	9,432	2,045	82,400 85,473	73,938	7,987 9,427	1,720		339
														85,134	
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	1,947	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	4 207	242	3,803	2,063	2,063	5,624	4 00=	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 December	2,996 7,249	- 2,464	112 19	3,108 9,732	2,354 2,349	2,354 2,349	5,350 9,598	2,464	112 19	5,462 12,081	5,252 6,930	- 2,466	135 20	5,387 9,416	75 2,665
December	1,249	2,404	19	9,132	2,349	2,349	9,398	2,404	19	12,001	0,930	∠,400	20	9,416	2,005
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 1,310	9	3,858 3,933	3,085 1,816	3,085	6,012 4,437	922 1,310	9	6,943 5,749	7,440 6,077	922 1,310	- 8	8,370 7,387	(1,427)
February March	2,621 2,797	626	11	3,434	1,880	1,816 1,880	4,437	626	11	5,749	5,035	626	10	5,671	(1,638) (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
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January February	3,259	1,446	3		3,167	3,167	6,426	1,446	3		8,028	1,444	- 11		(, ,
Hebruary March	2,441 2,484	3,677 1,817	24 10	6,142 4,311	1,861 1,880	1,861 1,880	4,302 4,364	3,677 1,817	24 10	8,003 6,191	5,958 4,885	3,676 1,811	14 22	9,648 6,718	(1,645) (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)
September	4,779	308	209	5,296	2,248	2,248	7,027	308	209	7,544	7,035	308	271	7,614	(70)
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
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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 March	2,381	2,373	23	4,777	2,119	2,119	4,500 5,221	2,373	23	6,896	5,498	2,373	7	7,878	(982)
March April	2,944 3,642	2,011 1,940	6 31	4,961 5,613	2,277 2,277	2,277 2,277	5,221 5,919	2,011 1,940	6 31	7,238 7,890	5,635 6,408	2,011 1,940	9 30	7,655 8,378	(417) (488)
May	3,820	1,940 555	203	4,578	2,277	2,277	6,510	1,940 555	203	7,890	5,968	1,940 555	89	6,612	(488) 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)
December	8,444	100	-	8,544	2,830	2,830	11,274	100	-	11,374	9,844	100	5	9,949	1,425
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January	3,581	-	-	3,581	4,569	4,569	8,150	-	-	8,150	9,441	-	1	9,442	(1,292)
February	3,259	5,474	-	8,733	2,720	2,720	5,979	5,474	_	11,453	7,592	5,467	-	13,059	(1,606)
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Table 2. Total Arrivals by Age, Type of Passangers and Gender February, 2016

				Type of Passangers						
Age Group		Total			Visitors		Returning Re	esidents		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	
0-4	213	103	110	152	69	83	61	34	27	
5-9	257	131	126	117	60	57	140	71	69	
10-14	275	137	138	80	39	41	195	98	97	
15-19	360	162	198	81	38	43	279	124	155	
20-24	482	235	247	225	99	126	257	136	121	
25-29	533	280	253	299	143	156	234	137	97	
30-34	544	278	266	327	173	154	217	105	112	
35-39	496	247	249	290	145	145	206	102	104	
40-44	516	288	228	295	175	120	221	113	108	
45-49	544	288	256	322	180	142	222	108	114	
50-54	525	271	254	335	178	157	190	93	97	
55-59	406	202	204	232	117	115	174	85	89	
60-64	314	168	146	206	112	94	108	56	52	
65-69	238	135	103	142	82	60	96	53	43	
70-74	138	75	63	81	47	34	57	28	29	
75+	138	67	71	75	37	38	63	30	33	
Total	5,979	3,067	2,912	3,259	1,694	1,565	2,720	1,373	1,347	
% Distribution	100.0	51.3	48.7	54.5	28.3	26.2	45.5	23.0	22.5	

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

Country of	Purpose of Visit									
Usual Residence	Total	%	Holiday/	Business/	Visiting Relative/	Other	Not			
		Distribution	Vacation	Conference	Friends	Reasons	Stated			
Australia	549	16.8	191	52	239	66	1			
New Zealand	1,572	48.2	621	119	701	129	2			
Fiji	191	5.9	25	95	43	28	-			
American Samoa	8	0.2	1	1	6	-	-			
Western Samoa	23	0.7	5	11	6	1	-			
Other Pacific Islands	54	1.7	3	29	9	13	-			
Japan	67	2.1	19	9	30	9	-			
China	55	1.7	18	13	9	15	-			
India	9	0.3	2	2	5	-	-			
Korea	38	1.2	33	2	3	-	-			
Other Asian Countries	47	1.4	19	11	10	7	-			
UK	58	1.8	35	2	18	3	-			
Germany	78	2.4	64	3	7	3	1			
France	9	0.3	8	1	-	-	-			
Italy	3	0.1	3	-	-	-	-			
Other European Countries	99	3.0	67	10	18	4	-			
All African Countries	5	0.2	-	2	-	3	-			
United States of America	357	11.0	92	40	187	38	-			
Canada	24	0.7	22	1	1	-	-			
Other American Countries	13	0.4	6	5	-	1	1			
Total	3,259	100.0	1,234	408	1,292	320	5			
% Distribution	100.0		37.9	12.5	39.6	9.8	0.2			

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

	Returning	Percentage		Percentage		Percentage
Age Group	Residence	Distribution	Visitors	Distribution	Total	Distribution
0 - 4	102	3.0	208	5.0	310	4.1
5 - 9	66	1.9	240	5.8	306	4.0
10 - 14	49	1.4	183	4.4	232	3.1
15 - 19	130	3.8	233	5.6	363	4.8
20 - 24	546	15.9	280	6.7	826	10.9
25 - 29	479	14.0	362	8.7	841	11.1
30 - 34	416	12.1	343	8.2	759	10.0
35 - 39	335	9.8	316	7.6	651	8.6
40 - 44	296	8.6	343	8.2	639	8.4
45 - 49	284	8.3	371	8.9	655	8.6
50 - 54	216	6.3	360	8.6	576	7.6
55 - 59	165	4.8	287	6.9	452	6.0
60 - 64	147	4.3	240	5.8	387	5.1
65 - 69	102	3.0	181	4.3	283	3.7
70 - 74	39	1.1	103	2.5	142	1.9
75+	56	1.6	114	2.7	170	2.2
All Ages	3,428	100.0	4,164	100.0	7,592	100.0
YACHT	-	-	-	0	0	0
CRUISE SHIP	-	-	5,467	0	5467	0
Total	3,428	100.0	9,631	100.0	13,059	100.0

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

Country of Usual	Male	Percent	Female	Percent	Total	Percent
Residence	No.	Distribution	No.	Distribution	No.	Distribution
Australia	399	9.6	429	12.5	828	10.9
New Zealand	1,048	25.2	1,211	35.2	2,259	29.8
Fiji	90	2.2	69	2.0	159	2.1
American Samoa	3	0.1	4	0.1	7	0.1
Western Samoa	10	0.2	6	0.2	16	0.2
Tonga	2,101	50.6	1,327	38.6	3,428	45.2
Other Pacific Islands	40	1.0	18	0.5	58	0.8
Japan	26	0.6	13	0.4	39	0.5
China	30	0.7	21	0.6	51	0.7
India	5	0.1	1	0.0	6	0.1
Korea	38	0.9	6	0.2	44	0.6
Other Asian Countries	20	0.5	15	0.4	35	0.5
UK	27	0.7	29	0.8	56	0.7
Germany	29	0.7	37	1.1	66	0.9
France	5	0.1	7	0.2	12	0.2
Italy	4	0.1	1	0.0	5	0.1
Other European Countries	51	1.2	49	1.4	100	1.3
All African Countries	2	0.0	1	0.0	3	0.0
United States of America	210	5.1	189	5.5	399	5.3
Canada	9	0.2	4	0.1	13	0.2
Other American Countries	5	0.1	3	0.1	8	0.1
Total	4,152	100.0	3,440	100.0	7,592	100.0



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