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PREFACE

This bulletin is produced by the Statistics Department on monthly migration statistics of the Kingdom for the month of January 2017. It shows the international arrivals and departures by months back to January 2011, 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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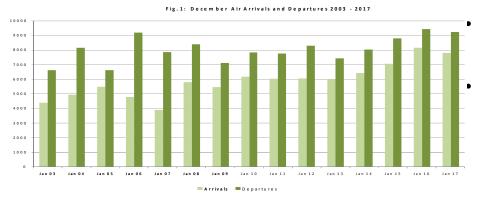
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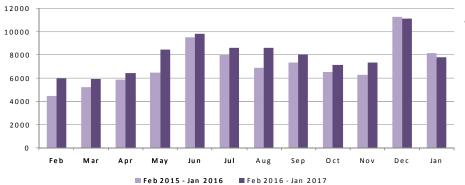
- A decline of 38.7% of all arrivals (10,008) compared to the previous month of December 2016 (16,324)
- A decline of 58.7% of all air visitors (3,351) compared to December 2016 (8,108)
- An increase of 46.3% (4,462) of returning residents compared to previous month (3,049)
- A decline of 57.6% of arrivals by cruise ships compared to December 2016 (5,155)
- A decline of 33.3% (8) of arrivals by yacht compared to previous month (12)
- A decline of 22.3% of all departures from December 2016.



Total air arrivals in January 2017 were 7,813 a decline of 4.1% compared to January 2016 (8,150).

Total air departures of 9,620 in January 2017, an increase of 1.9% compared to January 2016 (9,441)





Total air visitor arrivals in January 2017 were 3,351 a decline of 6.4% compared to January 2016 (3,581)

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Fig. 3: Air Visitors by Purpose of Visit January, 2017

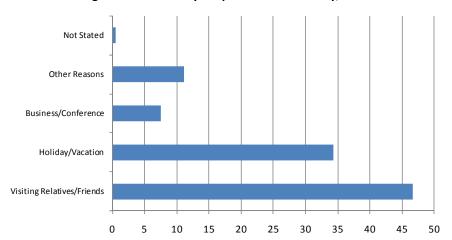


Fig. 4: Air visitors by Country of Usual Residence January, 2017

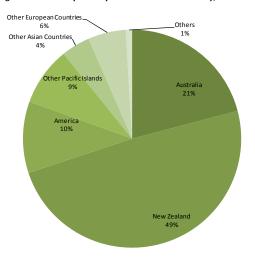
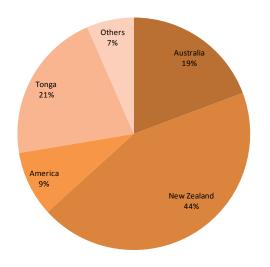


Fig. 5: Air Departures by Country of Usual Residence January, 2017



- 46.6% (1,562) of the total air visitors were here to visit relatives/friends
- Holiday/Vacations made up 34.3%

 (1,149) of all air visitors to the Kingdom in the month of January
- Visitors who were here on Business or Conference made up 7.5% (251) and those with other reasons were 11.1% (373)
- New Zealand remains as the leading country in visitors arrivals by country of usual residence, accounting for 49.0% (1,642) of total air visitors
- This was followed by Australia with 20.9 % (702), and USA 10.6% (354)

 Most of the persons departing in the month of January were residents of New Zealand (4,233) followed by Tongans (2,027) and Australia (1,855)

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.

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Period	Visitors Arriv Air		Yacht	Total	Returning Air	Residents Ship Yacht Total	Total Arrivals Air	Ship	Yacht	Total	Total Depart Air		Yacht	Total	Net 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 2010	45,711 47,081	27,641 16,265	1,317 1,659	74,669 65,005	25,134 24,501	25,134 24,501	70,845 71,582	27,641 16,265	1,317 1,659	99,803 89,506	70,949 72,533	27,150 16,244	1,261 1,830	99,360 90,607	443 (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	50,436	13,733	1,632	65,801	26,573	26,573	77,009	13,733	1,632	92,374	78,604	13,724	1,762	94,090	(1,716)
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)
2016	59,130	25,714	1,818	86,662	36,800	36,800	95,930	25,714	1,818	123,462	95,043	25,703	1,520	122,266	1,196
						2011									
January	2,844		2	2,846	3,185	3,185	6,029	-	2		7,755	-	٠.	7,755	(1,724)
February March	2,302 2,477	6,847 1,407	14 16	9,163 3,900	1,985 1,947	1,985 1,947	4,287 4,424	6,847 1,407	14 16	11,148 5,847	6,031 4,526	6,859 1,411	5 18	12,895 5,955	(1,747) (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 October	3,561	4 207	242	3,803	2,063	2,063 2,164	5,624	4 207	242	5,866	6,315	4,391	281 280	10,987 6,207	(5,121) 3,756
November	3,155 2,996	4,387 -	257 112	7,799 3,108	2,164 2,354	2,164	5,319 5,350	4,387 -	257 112	9,963 5,462	5,927 5,252		135	5,20 <i>1</i> 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	-	- 4	3,043	3,018	3,018	6,061	- 1 220	- 4	6,061	8,296	-		8,296	(2,235)
February March	2,241 2,629	1,220 865	4 15	3,465 3,509	1,913 1,927	1,913 1,927	4,154 4,556	1,220 865	4 15	5,378 5,436	5,637 4,866	1,365 816	3 10	7,005 5,692	(1,627) (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	•	194 269	7,871	(700)
August September	4,286 4,156		254 351	4,540 4,507	1,986 1,966	1,986 1,966	6,272 6,122		254 351	6,526 6,473	6,966 5,939		269 313	7,235 6,252	(709) 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)
Novem ber	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
January	2,927	922	9	3,858	3,085	2013 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		6,077	1,310		7,387	(1,427)
March	2,797	626	11	3,434	1,880	1,880	4,677	626	11	5,314	5,035	626	10	5,671	(357)
Aprii	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 July	4,693 5,415	700	182 282	5,575 5,697	2,046 2,183	2,046 2,183	6,739 7,598	700	182 282	7,621 7,880	5,411 7,747	700	193 220	6,304 7,967	1,317 (87)
August	4,753	-	305	5,058	2,051	2,051	6,804	-	305	7,109	7,227	-	267	7,494	(385)
Septem ber	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 December	3,395 6,429	715	121 13	4,231 6,442	2,363 2,048	2,363 2,048	5,758 8,477	715	121 13	6,594 8,490	5,165 7,231	715	232 18	6,112 7,249	482 1,241
December.	0,428			0,442	2,046	2014	0,411	-	13	8,480	7,231			1,240	1,271
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)
Aprii May	3,363 4,189	2,224 260	57 243	5,644 4,692	2,034 2,872	2,034 2,872	5,397 7,061	2,224 260	57 243	7,678 7,564	5,063 6,228	2,227 260	40 94	7,330 6,582	348 982
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 October	4,779 4,102	308 1,760	209 307	5,296 6,169	2,248 2,064	2,248 2,064	7,027 6,166	308 1,760	209 307	7,544 8,233	7,035 6,588	308 1,759	271 381	7,614 8,728	(70) (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
Decem ber	7,301	303	8	7,612	2,206	2,206	9,507	303	8	9,818	8,356	303	13	8,672	1,146
	50,436	13,733	1,632	65,801	26,573	2015	77,009	13,733	1,632	92,374	78,604	13,724	1,762	94,090	
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 2,944	2,373 2,011	23 6	4,777 4,961	2,119 2,277	2,119 2,277	4,500 5,221	2,373 2,011	23 6	6,896 7,238	5,498 5,635	2,373 2,011	7 9	7,878 7,655	(982) (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 August	5,961 4,809	-	176 231	6,137 5,040	2,115 2,085	2,115 2,085	8,076 6,894	-	176 231	8,252 7,125	10,489 7,606		143 206	10,632 7,812	(2,380) (687)
August September	4,809	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)
Novem ber	3,550	291	96	3,937	2,769	2,769	6,319	291	96	6,706	6,817	291	142	7,250	(544)
Decem ber	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 February	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)
March	3,315	1,411	4	4,730	2,653	2,653	5,968	1,411	4	7,383	7,073	1,411	4	8,488	(1,105)
Aprii	3,537	3,690	8	7,235	2,918	2,918	6,455	3,690	8	10,153	6,135	3,698	6	9,839	314
May	5,220		245	5,465	3,242	3,242	8,462		245	8,707	7,104		154	7,258	1,449
June July	6,763 6,103	1,784	259 187	8,806 6,290	3,090 2,533	3,090 2,533	9,853 8,636	1,784	259 187	11,896 8,823	8,356 9,665	1,777	195 194	10,328 9,859	1,568 (1,036)
August	5,880	1,394	314	7,588	2,736	2,736	8,616	1,394	314	10,324	7,033	1,387	229	8,649	1,675
September	5,185	-	359	5,544	2,907	2,907	8,092	-	359	8,451	7,555	-	341	7,896	555
October	4,298	6,630	342	11,270	2,886	2,886	7,184	6,630	342	14,156	7,699	6,626	258	14,583	(427)
November December	3,881 8,108	176 5,155	88 12	4,145 13 275	3,497 3,049	3,497 3,049	7,378 11,157	176 5,155	88 12	7,642 16324	7,349	176 5 161	132 6	7,657 15.208	(15) 1,116
2 2 2 5 11 D 6 1	1 0,108	0,100	12	13,275	3,048	2017	11,107	0,100	12	16,324	10,041	5,161	•	15,208	1,110
January	3,351	2,187	8	5,546	4,462	4,462	7,813	2,187	8	10,008	9,620	2,185	7	11,812	(1,804)
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Table 2. Total Arrivals by Age, Type of Passangers and Gender January, 2017

				Type of Pass	angers						
Age Group		Total			Visitors			Returning Residents			
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Total Male			
0-4	378	192	186	165	89	76	213	103	110		
5-9	472	241	231	151	80	71	321	161	160		
10-14	612	320	292	163	93	70	449	227	222		
15-19	802	403	399	212	99	113	590	304	286		
20-24	696	322	374	289	136	153	407	186	221		
25-29	649	290	359	292	135	157	357	155	202		
30-34	627	281	346	275	136	139	352	145	207		
35-39	589	298	291	255	128	127	334	170	164		
40-44	573	287	286	255	140	115	318	147	171		
45-49	585	307	278	279	154	125	306	153	153		
50-54	533	273	260	299	155	144	234	118	116		
55-59	398	200	198	231	123	108	167	77	90		
60-64	327	169	158	185	97	88	142	72	70		
65-69	262	130	132	148	74	74	114	56	58		
70-74	176	89	87	97	53	44	79	36	43		
75+	134	62	72	55	30	25	79	32	47		
Total	7,813	3,864	3,949	3,351	1,722	1,629	4,462	2,142	2,320		
% Distribution	100.0	49.5	50.5	42.9	22.0	20.8	57.1	27.4	29.7		

Table 3. Total Visitors by Usual Residence and Purpose of Visit January, 2017

Country of	Purpose of Visit							
Usual Residence	Total	%	Holiday/	Business/	Visiting Relative/	Other	Not	
		Distribution	Vacation	Conference	Friends	Reasons	Stated	
Australia	702	20.9	232	62	362	44	2	
New Zealand	1,642	49.0	518	67	937	114	6	
Fiji	150	4.5	23	33	39	55	0	
American Samoa	24	0.7	1	1	4	18	О	
Western Samoa	42	1.3	7	8	10	17	0	
Other Pacific Islands	75	2.2	3	11	4	57	-	
Japan	70	2.1	32	11	12	15	О	
China	55	1.6	18	22	6	9	0	
India	1	0.0	0	o	0	1	О	
Korea	-	-	0	0	0	О .	О	
Other Asian Countries	17	0.5	6	2	4	5	-	
uĸ	38	1.1	25	5	7	1	0	
Germany	65	1.9	58	0	5	2	0	
France	11	0.3	9	0	2	о	0	
Italy	8	0.2	8	0	0	О .	0	
Other European Countries	66	2.0	54	1	8	3	-	
All African Countries	8	0.2	8	-	-	-	-	
United States of America	354	10.6	130	26	161	29	8	
Canada	14	0.4	10	1	0	3	0	
Other American Countries	9	0.3	7	1	1	-	-	
Total	3,351	100.0	1,149	251	1,562	373	16	
% Distribution	100.0		34.3	7.5	46.6	11.1	0.5	

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Table 4: AIR DEPARTURES by Age Group, Passanger's Type for January, 2017

	Returning	Percentage		Percentage		Percentage
Age Group	Residence	Distribution	Visitors	Distribution	Total	Distribution
0 - 4	59	2.9	433	5.7	492	5.1
5 - 9	83	4.1	636	8.4	719	7.5
10 - 14	83	4.1	640	8.4	723	7.5
15 - 19	177	8.7	701	9.2	878	9.1
20 - 24	300	14.8	481	6.3	781	8.1
25 - 29	209	10.3	514	6.8	723	7.5
30 - 34	184	9.1	526	6.9	710	7.4
35 - 39	154	7.6	537	7.1	691	7.2
40 - 44	174	8.6	507	6.7	681	7.1
45 - 49	174	8.6	600	7.9	774	8.0
50 - 54	126	6.2	639	8.4	765	8.0
55 - 59	84	4.1	510	6.7	594	6.2
60 - 64	88	4.3	340	4.5	428	4.4
65 - 69	56	2.8	248	3.3	304	3.2
70 - 74	39	1.9	156	2.1	195	2.0
75+	37	1.8	125	1.6	162	1.7
All Ages	2,027	100.0	7,593	100.0	9,620	100.0
YACHT	-	-	7	0	7	0
CRUISE SHIP	-	-	2,185	0	2,185	0
Total	2,027	100.0	9,785	100.0	11,812	100.0

Table 5. Total Departures by Country of Residence and Gender January, $\,\,$ 2017

Country of Usual	Male	Percent	Fem ale	Percent	Total	Percent
Residence	No.	Distribution	No.	Distribution	No.	Distribution
Australia	860	18.4	995	20.1	1,855	19.3
New Zealand	2,038	43.6	2,195	44.4	4,233	44.0
Fiji	90	1.9	66	1.3	156	1.6
American Samoa	4	0.1	7	0.1	11	0.1
Western Samoa	18	0.4	10	0.2	28	0.3
Tonga	1,019	21.8	1,008	20.4	2,027	21.1
Other Pacific Islands	27	0.6	23	0.5	50	0.5
Japan	42	0.9	19	0.4	61	0.6
China	50	1.1	21	0.4	71	0.7
In d ia	2	0.0	1	0.0	3	0.0
Korea	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Asian Countries	14	0.3	7	0.1	21	0.2
υĸ	29	0.6	25	0.5	54	0.6
Germany	26	0.6	26	0.5	52	0.5
France	6	0.1	9	0.2	15	0.2
lta ly	5	0.1	4	0.1	9	0.1
Other European Countries	29	0.6	31	0.6	60	0.6
All African Countries	6	0.1	2	0.0	8	0.1
United States of America	398	8.5	476	9.6	874	9.1
Canada	10	0.2	11	0.2	21	0.2
Other American Countries	5	0.1	6	0.1	11	0.1
Total	4,678	100.0	4,942	100.0	9,620	100.0

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