

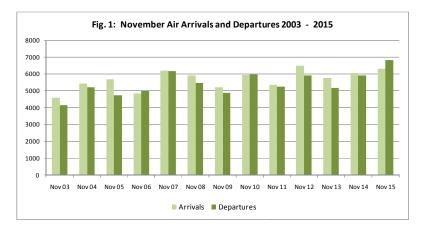
# INTERNATIONAL ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES November 2015

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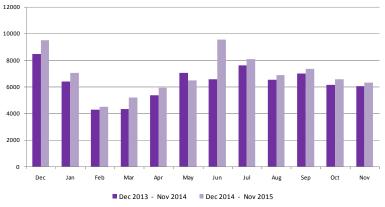
Month of		Change from	Change from
November 2015	Number	previous month	previous year
All Arrivals	6,706	-34.5	6.0
Air Visitors	3,550	-12.2	1.8
Air Returning Residents	2,769	9.5	8.2
Cruise Ships	291	-91.6	46.2
Yachts	96	-52.7	18.5
All Departures	7,250	-34.3	16.1

- A decline of 34.5% of all arrivals (6,706) compared to the previous month of October 2015 (10,237)
- A decline of 12.2% of all air visitors (3,550) compared to October 2015 (4,045)
- An increase of 9.5% of Returning Residents (2,769) compared to October 2015 (2,529).
- A decline of 91.6% of arrivals by cruise ship in the month of November, 2015 compared to October 2015
- A decline of 52.7% of yacht arrivals compared to the previous month
- Again a decline of 34.3% of all departures from October 2015



- Total air arrivals in November 2015 were 6,319 an increase of 4.5% compared to November 2014 (6,047).
- Total air departures of 6,817 in November 2015, an increase of 15.7% compared to November 2014 (5,892)





• Total air visitor arrivals in November 2015 were 3,550 an increase of 1.8% compared to November 2014 (3,488)

Fig. 3: Air Visitors by Purpose of Visit November, 2015

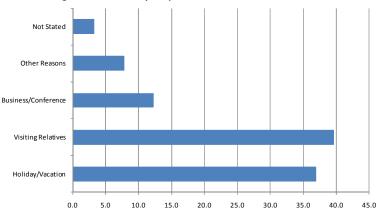
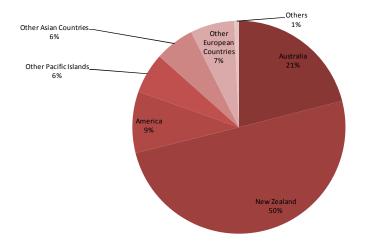


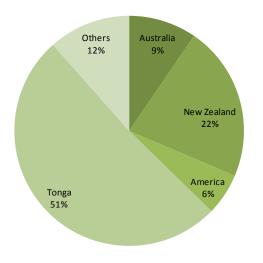
Fig. 4: Air Visitors by Country of Usual Residence November, 2015



- Holiday/Vacation made up 36.9% (1,307) of all air visitors to the Kingdom in the month of November.
- 39.6% (1,404) of the total visitors were here to visit Relatives/friends
- Visitors who were here on Business or Conference made up 12.3% (437) and those with other reasons were 7.9% (280)

- New Zealand remains as the leading country in visitors arrivals by country of usual residence, accounting for 50.1% (1,679) of total air visitors
- This was followed by Australia with 21.0 % (759), and USA 9.3% (392)

Fig. 5: Air Departures by Country of Usual Residence November, 2015



 Most of the persons departing in the month of November were persons residing in Tonga (3,485) followed by New Zealand (1,494) and Australia (651)

## **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 - 2015

2006	2,437 6,268 3,344 0,462 5,711 7,081 6,005 7,457 8,188 8,854 3,158 2,379 3,134 2,818 3,670	11,840 10,809 8,790 14,599 27,641 16,265 20,519 7,957 9,432 13,733	943 868 1,140 1,828 1,317 1,659 1,849 1,816 2,045 1,632	Total  55,220 57,945 53,274 66,889 74,669 65,005 68,373 57,230	21,066 20,707 22,313 24,239 25,134	Ship Yacht Total  21,066 20,707 22,313	Air 63,503 66,975 65,657	Ship 11,840 10,809	Yacht 943 868	Total 76,286 78,652	Air 60,276 68,637	Ship 11,871 13,049	Yacht 1,393 582	Total 73,540 82,268	Migration 2,746 (3,616)
2006	6,268 3,344 0,462 5,711 7,081 6,005 7,457 8,188 8,854 3,158 2,379 3,134 2,818 3,670	10,809 8,790 14,599 27,641 16,265 20,519 7,957 9,432 13,733	868 1,140 1,828 1,317 1,659 1,849 1,816 2,045	57,945 53,274 66,889 74,669 65,005 68,373	20,707 22,313 24,239 25,134	20,707 22,313	66,975	10,809	868	78,652					
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2013	3,158 2,379 3,134 2,818 3,670	9,432 13,733 646	2,045	57.230	26,587	26,587	72,592	20,519	1,849	94,960	73,589	20,550	1,468	95,607	(647)
2014 48  January 3  February 2  March 3  April 2  May 3  June 4  July 4  August 4  September 44	3,158 2,379 3,134 2,818 3,670	13,733			25,170	25,107	72,627	7,957	1,816	82,400	74,098	7,987	1,720	83,805	(1,405)
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February 2 March 3 April 2 May 3 June 4 July 4 August 4 September 4	2,379 3,134 2,818 3,670			64,219	26,128	26,128 <b>2010</b>	74,982	13,733	1,632	90,347	78,604	13,724	1,762	94,090	(3,743)
February 2 March 3 April 2 May 3 June 4 July 4 August 4 September 4	2,379 3,134 2,818 3,670		4	3,808	3,019	3,019	6,177	646	4	6,827	7,822	642	_	8,464	(1,637)
March 3 April 2 May 3 June 4 July 4 August 4 September 4	3,134 2,818 3,670		5	2,384	2,083	2,083	4,462	-	5	4,467	5,096	-	1	5,097	(630)
April 2 May 3 June 4 July 4 August 4 September 4	2,818 3,670	853	5	3,992	1,730	1,730	4,864	853	5	5,722	4,993	850	7	5,850	(128)
June 4 July 4 August 4 September 4		2,802	30	5,650	1,906	1,906	4,724	2,802	30	7,556	5,101	2,806	34	7,941	(385)
July 4 August 4 September 4	4 701	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
August 4 September 4	4,701	-	275	4,976	1,888	1,888	6,589	-	275	6,864	5,173	-	344	5,517	1,347
September 4	4,900	-	238	5,138	1,814	1,814	6,714	-	238	6,952	7,428	-	386	7,814	(862)
	4,216	-	246	4,462	1,848	1,848	6,064	-	246	6,310	6,342	-	231	6,573	(263)
	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)
	3,467 3,569	- 1,386	352 126	3,819 5,081	1,809 2,378	1,809 2,378	5,276 5,947	- 1,386	352 126	5,628 7,459	6,107 5,990	- 1,391	403 130	6,510 7,511	(882)
	6,493	-,000	13	6,506	2,040	2,040	8,533	-	13	8,546	7,173	-,551	22	7,195	1,351
						2011									
	2,844		2	2,846	3,185	3,185	6,029	-	2	6,031	7,755	-	-	7,755	(1,724)
	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)
	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)
	3,520 3,812	3,038	37 250	6,595 4,062	2,152 2,588	2,152 2,588	5,672 6,400	3,038	37 250	8,747 6,650	5,367 5,565	3,045	15 89	8,427 5,654	320 996
	4,323	-	242	4,565	1,913	1,913	6,236	-	242	6,478	5,240	-	194	5,434	1,044
	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)
_	4,486	-	419	4,905	1,889	1,889	6,375	-	419	6,794	7,266	-	199	7,465	(671)
	3,561	-	242	3,803	2,063	2,063	5,624	-	242	5,866	6,315	4,391	281	10,987	(5,121)
	3,155 2,996	4,387	257 112	7,799 3,108	2,164 2,354	2,164 2,354	5,319 5,350	4,387	257 112	9,963 5,462	5,927 5,252	-	280 135	6,207 5,387	3,756 75
	2,996 7,249	- 2,464	19	9,732	2,354	2,349	9,598	2,464	112	12,081	6,930	2,466	20	9,416	2,665
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January 3	3,043	-	-	3,043	3,018	3,018	6,061	-	-	6,061	8,296	-	-	8,296	(2,235)
	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)
	2,629	865	15	3,509	1,927	1,927	4,556	865	15	5,436	4,866	816	10	5,692	(256)
	3,022 3,497	3,063	44 302	6,129 3,799	1,847 2,486	1,847 2,486	4,869 5,983	3,063	44 302	7,976 6,285	5,044 5,310	2,999	46 83	8,089 5,393	(113) 892
	4,892	-	182	5,074	1,836	1,836	6,728	-	182	6,910	4,764	-	249	5,013	1,897
	5,789	-	235	6,024	1,880	1,880	7,669	-	235	7,904	7,677	-	194	7,871	33
August 4	4,286	-	254	4,540	1,986	1,986	6,272	-	254	6,526	6,966	-	269	7,235	(709)
	4,156	-	351	4,507	1,966	1,966	6,122		351	6,473	5,939		313	6,252	221
	3,909 4,052	1,817 618	315 86	6,041 4,756	1,725 2,459	1,725 2,459	5,634 6,511	1,817 618	315 86	7,766 7,215	6,566 5,914	1,815 618	334 193	8,715 6,725	(949) 490
	5,941	374	28	6,343	2,439	2,439	8,068	374	28	8,470	7,119	374	26	7,519	951
						2013	,				,			, , , , ,	
January 2	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	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)
	2,797	626	11	3,434	1,880	1,880	4,677	626	11	5,314	5,035	626	10	5,671	(357)
	3,088	3,205	50 328	6,343	2,096	2,096	5,184	3,205	50	8,439	5,100	3,204	14	8,318	121
	3,965 4,693	700	328 182	4,293 5,575	2,740 2,046	2,740 2,046	6,705 6,739	700	328 182	7,033 7,621	5,815 5,411	700	132 193	5,947 6,304	1,086 1,317
	5,415	-	282	5,697	2,183	2,183	7,598	-	282	7,880	7,747	-	220	7,967	(87)
	4,753	-	305	5,058	2,051	2,051	6,804	-	305	7,109	7,227	-	267	7,494	(385)
	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
	4,037	-	403	4,440	1,789	1,789	5,826	- 715	403	6,229	6,111		384	6,495	(266)
	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
	.,		13	0, 772	2,040	2014	S, 717		13	5,750	.,	-	10	.,243	
January 3	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	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)
	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)
	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
	4,189 4,463	260 1,739	243 256	4,692 6,458	2,872 2,122	2,872 2,122	7,061 6,585	260 1,739	243 256	7,564 8,580	6,228 5,605	260 1,737	94 294	6,582 7,636	982 944
	4,463 5,477	1,739	233	5,710	2,122	2,122	7,605	1,739	233	7,838	8,213	1,737	286	8,499	(661)
	5,090	-	201	5,291	1,432	1,432	6,522	-	201	6,723	6,753	-	192	6,945	(222)
September 4	4,779	308	209	5,296	2,248	2,248	7,027	308	209	7,544	7,035	308	271	7,614	(70)
	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)
	3,488	199	81	3,768	2,559	2,559	6,047	199	81	6,327	5,892	199	155	6,246	1 1 1 4 6
December 7	7,301	303	8	7,612	2,206	2,206 <b>2015</b>	9,507	303	8	9,818	8,356	303	13	8,672	1,146
January 3	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)
	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)
	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)
	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)
	3,820	555	203	4,578	2,690	2,690	6,510	555	203	7,268	5,968	555	89	6,612	656
	5,898 5,961	1,757	155 176	7,810 6.137	3,652	3,652	9,550	1,757	155 176	11,462	5,600	1,757	251	7,608	3,854
	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
_	4,809 4,915	- 1,953	282	7,150	2,085	2,454	7,369	1,953	282	9,604	6,604	1,958	260	8,822	782
	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)
	3,550	291	96	3,937	2,769	2,769	6,319	291	96	6,706	6,817	291	142	7,250	(544

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Table 2. Total Arrivals by Age, Type of Passangers and Gender November, 2015

				Type of Passangers						
Age Group		Total		Visitors			Returning Residents			
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	
0-4	268	146	122	187	99	88	81	47	34	
5-9	199	99	100	150	71	79	49	28	21	
10-14	164	95	69	121	72	49	43	23	20	
15-19	273	130	143	178	76	102	95	54	41	
20-24	629	308	321	255	97	158	374	211	163	
25-29	635	320	315	312	131	181	323	189	134	
30-34	607	354	253	312	174	138	295	180	115	
35-39	492	274	218	237	128	109	255	146	109	
40-44	561	326	235	299	175	124	262	151	111	
45-49	601	338	263	320	161	159	281	177	104	
50-54	544	288	256	349	188	161	195	100	95	
55-59	419	217	202	250	136	114	169	81	88	
60-64	357	190	167	226	117	109	131	73	58	
65-69	281	156	125	182	104	78	99	52	47	
70-74	146	73	73	83	45	38	63	28	35	
75+	143	82	61	89	55	34	54	27	27	
Total	6,319	3,396	2,923	3,550	1,829	1,721	2,769	1,567	1,202	
% Distribution	100.0	53.7	46.3	56.2	28.9	27.2	43.8	24.8	19.0	

Table 3. Total Visitors by Usual Residence and Purpose of Visit November, 2015

Country of	Purpose of Visit										
Usual Residence	Total	%	Holiday/	Business/	Visiting Relative/	Other	Not				
		Distribution	Vacation	Conference	Friends	Reasons	Stated				
Australia	759	21.0	283	72	330	64	10				
New Zealand	1,683	50.1	600	156	809	84	34				
Fiji	167	3.4	21	78	26	27	15				
American Samoa	-	0.1		-		-	-				
Western Samoa	25	0.8	2	14	8	1	-				
Other Pacific Islands	49	1.8	9	20	15	4	1				
Japan	39	0.9	21	13	4	-	1				
China	118	3.7	29	17	20	20	32				
India	5	0.2	2	3		-	-				
Korea	7	0.1		2	2	2	1				
Other Asian Countries	57	1.1	-	11	4	39	3				
UK	49	1.2	38	7		3	1				
Germany	46	2.3	42	-	2	-	2				
France	28	0.6	21	3	4	-	-				
Italy	22	0.1	21	-	1	-	-				
Other European Countries	80	2.5	65	8	4	1	2				
All African Countries	6	0.0	1	3	1	1	-				
United States of America	392	9.3	136	28	174	34	20				
Canada	11	0.5	11	-		-	-				
Other American Countries	7	0.2	5	2	-	-	-				
Total	3,550	100.0	1,307	437	1,404	280	122				
% Distribution	100.1		36.9	12.3	39.6	7.9	3.4				

Table 4: AIR DEPARTURES by Age Group, Passanger's Type for November, 2015

	Returning	Percentage		Percentage		Percentage
Age Group	Residence	Distribution	Visitors	Distribution	Total	Distribution
0 - 4	128	3.7	143	4.3	271	4.0
5 - 9	119	3.4	96	2.9	215	3.2
10 - 14	150	4.3	73	2.2	223	3.3
15 - 19	249	7.1	113	3.4	362	5.3
20 - 24	463	13.3	214	6.4	677	9.9
25 - 29	481	13.8	315	9.5	796	11.7
30 - 34	393	11.3	330	9.9	723	10.6
35 - 39	298	8.6	224	6.7	522	7.7
40 - 44	322	9.2	309	9.3	631	9.3
45 - 49	242	6.9	327	9.8	569	8.4
50 - 54	163	4.7	338	10.2	501	7.4
55 - 59	156	4.5	283	8.5	439	6.4
60 - 64	122	3.5	216	6.5	338	5.0
65 - 69	88	2.5	174	5.2	262	3.8
70 - 74	54	1.5	97	2.9	151	2.2
75+	57	1.6	80	2.4	137	2.0
All Ages	3,485	100.0	3,332	100.1	6,817	100.1
YACHT	-	=	142	0	142	0
CRUISE SHIP	-	-	291	0	291	0
Total	3,485	100	3,765	100	7,250	100

Table 5. Total Departures by Country of Residence and Gender November, 2015

Country of Usual	Male	Percent	Female	Percent	Total	Percent
Residence	No.	Distribution	No.	Distribution	No.	Distribution
Australia	326	8.4	325	11.0	651	9.5
New Zealand	744	19.2	750	25.5	1,494	21.9
Fiji	105	2.7	55	1.9	160	2.3
American Samoa	1	0.0	-	-	1	0.0
Western Samoa	16	0.4	5	0.2	21	0.3
Tonga	2,142	55.3	1,343	45.6	3,485	51.1
Other Pacific Islands	28	0.7	28	1.0	56	0.8
Japan	29	0.7	13	0.4	42	0.6
China	97	2.5	62	2.1	159	2.3
India	8	0.2	1	0.0	9	0.1
Korea	3	0.1	1	0.0	4	0.1
Other Asian Countries	37	1.0	17	0.6	54	0.8
UK	29	0.7	27	0.9	56	0.8
Germany	33	0.9	30	1.0	63	0.9
France	10	0.3	6	0.2	16	0.2
Italy	12	0.3	9	0.3	21	0.3
Other European Countries	53	1.4	46	1.6	99	1.5
All African Countries	4	0.1	1	0.0	5	0.1
United States of America	186	4.8	214	7.3	400	5.9
Canada	4	0.1	12	0.4	16	0.2
Other American Countries	4	0.1	1	0.0	5	0.1
Total	3,871	100.0	2,946	100.0	6,817	100.0