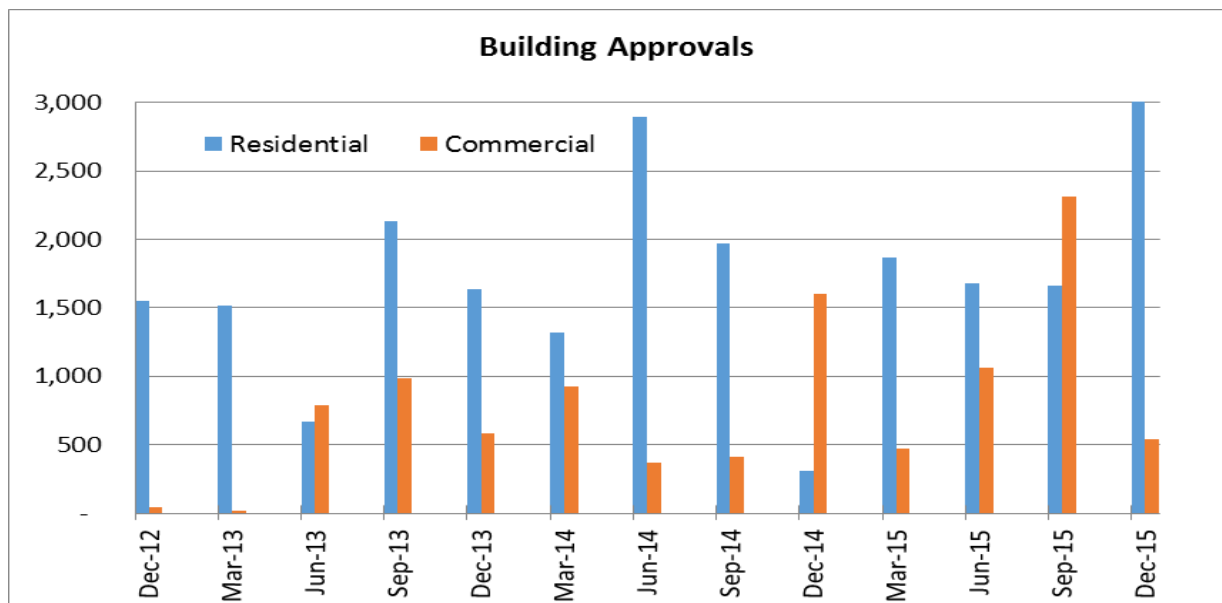


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MISCELLANEOUS STATISTICS
December Quarter 2015

The Miscellaneous Statistics is a compilation of statistics from various data sources, such as building approvals, energy consumption, aircraft movement, motor vehicle registration, air cargo and climate.

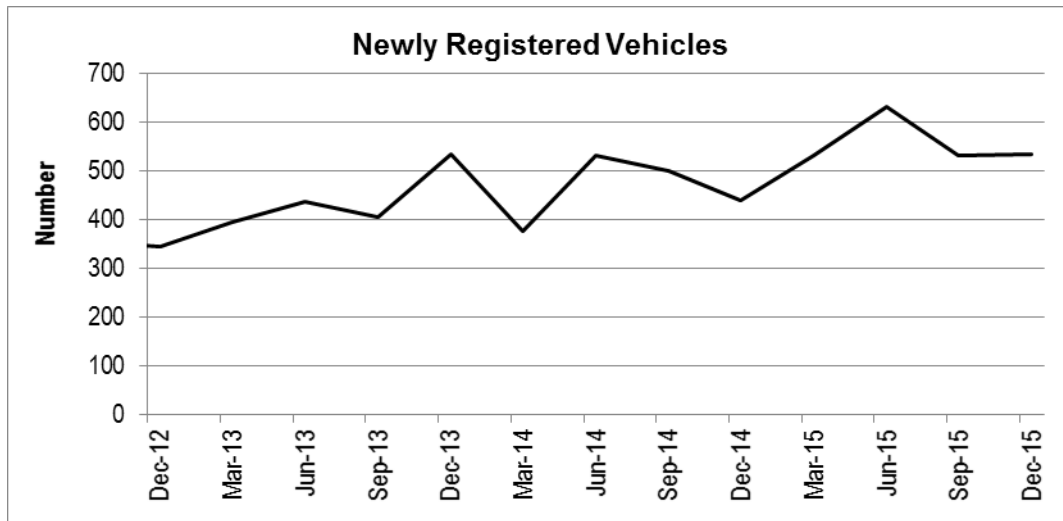
Building Approvals – The total value of buildings approved during the December quarter 2015 (4,540) increased by 14.3 per cent when compared to September quarter 2015 (3,973), and an increase of 137.6 per cent when compared to December quarter 2014. Residential buildings contributed 88.1 per cent in the total value of building approvals averaging to over \$190,000 per residential building approved, while the Commercial buildings contributed 11.9 per cent.



Electricity Generated - Total electricity generated in the Cook Islands for the December quarter 2015 was 7.4 million kWh, an 11.9 per cent increase when compared to September quarter 2015. Of the total electricity generated 81.8 per cent was consumed on Rarotonga, followed by Aitutaki with 12.2 per cent and 6.0 per cent from the rest of the outer islands.

Aircraft Movement - International flights out of Rarotonga decreased by 18 flights during the December quarter 2015 when compared to September quarter 2015. New Zealand continued to be the main destination with 165 international flights, followed by Tahiti with 17 flights, Australia and Los Angeles with 13 flights each.

Newly Registered Motor Vehicle - Newly registered vehicles for December quarter 2015 increased by 0.4 per cent compared to September quarter 2015. Motor cycles continued to be the highest type of vehicles registered (60.6 per cent), followed by Cars, Jeeps and Station Wagons (24.8 per cent), Vans and Pickups (7.1 per cent).



Air Cargo - The total weight of 343,000 kilograms of air cargo was recorded in the December quarter 2015. This is a 0.9 per cent increase when compared to September quarter 2015, and a decrease of 2.0 per cent when compared to December quarter 2014. Air cargo exports recorded a total weight of 24,000 kilograms for December quarter 2015. The actual value and descriptions of the air cargo imports/exports is captured in the Overseas Trade Statistics publication.

Climate - Rarotonga and Aitutaki recorded an average temperature of 24.2 and 24.8 degrees Celsius, with a total rainfall of 220 millimeters for Rarotonga and 464 millimeters for Aitutaki. Penrhyn had an average temperature of 29.4 degrees Celsius with a total rainfall of 656 millimeters during December quarter 2015. A total of 611 hours of sunshine was recorded for Rarotonga.

Further information about this release can be obtained from the Statistics Office.

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Table 7.1 Building Approvals

Period	Total		Residential		Commercial (*)	
	No.	Value (\$' 000)	No.	Value (\$' 000)	No.	Value (\$' 000)
YEAR						
2011	73	10,658	62	7,650	11	3,008
2012	55	8,046	45	6,067	10	1,979
2013	56	8,335	38	5,957	18	2,378
2014	74	9,798	56	6,488	18	3,310
2015	72	13,598	58	9,208	14	4,390
QUARTER						
2011						
Mar	17	2,802	13	1,854	4	948
Jun	20	2,017	19	2,002	1	15
Sep	20	2,328	16	2,023	4	305
Dec	16	3,511	14	1,771	2	1,740
2012						
Mar	10	2,293	9	1,473	1	820
Jun	8	730	6	620	2	110
Sep	21	3,430	16	2,421	5	1,009
Dec	16	1,593	14	1,553	2	40
2013						
Mar	9	1,537	8	1,517	1	20
Jun	17	1,460	8	670	9	790
Sep	16	3,118	11	2,130	5	988
Dec	14	2,220	11	1,640	3	580
2014						
Mar	12	2,247	10	1,320	2	927
Jun	23	3,258	19	2,892	4	366
Sep	25	2,382	21	1,970	4	412
Dec	14	1,911	6	306	8	1,605
2015						
Mar	14	2,340	12	1,868	2	472
Jun	16	2,745	12	1,680	4	1,065
Sep	19	3,973	13	1,661	6	2,312
Dec	23	4,540	21	3,999	2	541

Source: Building Control - Ministry of Infrastructure and Planning

Note: (*) - Commercial establishments including non-private accommodations and industrial constructions.

Table 7.2 Electricity Generated for Selected Islands

Period	Cook Islands	Rarotonga	Aitutaki	Atiu	Mauke	Mangaia	Mitiaro	Penrhyn	Rakahanga	Manihiki	Palmerston ²
	(kwh '000)										
YEAR											
2011	33,589	28,695	3,289	331	221	444	119	124	66	300	...
2012	32,899	27,697	3,498	369	200	462	110	124	66	373	...
2013	32,516	27,184	3,679	391	215	464	92	124	64	264	39
2014	31,771	26,479	3,635	414	254	445	95	73	65	268	43
2015	29,444	24,118	3,631	373	243	458	89	149	81	253	49
QUARTER											
2011											
Mar	8,518	7,292	822	83	55	111	30	31	19	75	...
Jun	8,256	7,035	823	82	55	110	30	31	15	75	...
Sep	8,341	7,117	822	83	55	111	30	31	16	75	...
Dec	8,474	7,251	822	83	55	111	30	31	16	75	...
2012											
Mar	8,373	7,078	872	84	59	120	30	31	15	83	...
Jun	8,169	6,884	850	91	55	114	30	31	18	96	...
Sep	7,917	6,673	832	91	43	114	23	31	15	95	...
Dec	8,440	7,062	944	103	43	114	26	31	18	99	...
2013											
Mar	8,164	6,807	935	102	55	117	23	31	17	68	9
Jun	8,162	6,834	923	95	52	109	23	31	16	70	9
Sep	7,780	6,481	885	99	53	117	23	31	17	62	12
Dec	8,410	7,062	936	95	55	121	23	31	14	64	9
2014											
Mar	8,371	7,016	935	116	57	106	23	31	16	60	11
Jun	8,034	6,743	889	102	56	114	23	13	18	64	12
Sep	7,701	6,414	876	96	63	111	25	15	17	74	10
Dec	7,665	6,306	935	100	78	114	24	14	14	70	10
2015											
Mar	7,950	6,556	985	97	62	115	20	18	16	67	13
Jun	7,430	6,132	898	96	66	108	24	16	20	56	14
Sep	6,607	5,374	845	97	56	113	22	16	17	56	11
Dec ^(p)	7,405	6,056	903	93	60	122	23	40	24	73	11

Source: Energy Division of the Ministry of Infrastructure and Planning and Te Aponga Uira, Rarotonga.

Note: Electricity generated on Rarotonga & Aitutaki are actual numbers and for the rest of the islands are estimated.

Note: (2) Statistics Office just started collecting electricity generated from Palmerston Island.

Table 7.3 Aircraft Movement

Period	Total Flights	From Rarotonga to:						
		New Zealand	Tahiti	Fiji	Honolulu	Australia	Los Angeles	Other
YEAR								
2010	793	670	54	-	-	17	52	-
2011	729	612	53	-	-	12	46	6
2012	874	705	61	-	3	52	52	4
2013	891	712	69	-	-	53	52	5
2014	858	682	67	-	-	52	52	5
2015	799	620	67	-	2	52	53	5
QUARTER								
2011								
Mar	169	141	15	-	-	-	13	-
Jun	186	158	12	-	-	1	12	3
Sep	192	156	14	-	-	11	9	2
Dec	193	157	12	-	-	11	12	1
2012								
Mar	188	149	13	-	-	13	13	-
Jun	219	179	13	-	-	13	13	1
Sep	256	206	20	-	2	13	13	2
Dec	214	171	15	-	1	13	13	1
2013								
Mar	189	148	14	-	-	13	13	1
Jun	222	177	17	-	-	14	13	1
Sep	258	210	20	-	-	13	13	2
Dec	222	177	18	-	-	13	13	1
2014								
Mar	196	151	16	-	-	14	14	1
Jun	209	168	15	-	-	12	12	2
Sep	247	202	19	-	-	13	13	-
Dec	206	161	17	-	-	13	13	2
2015								
Mar	173	129	15	-	2	13	14	-
Jun	192	149	15	-	-	13	13	2
Sep	226	177	20	-	-	13	13	3
Dec	208	165	17	-	-	13	13	0

Source: Air New Zealand and Air Rarotonga

Table 7.4 Newly Registered Vehicles

Period	Newly Registered Vehicles					
	Total	Motor Cycles	Cars, Jeeps and Station Wagons	Trucks and Buses	Vans and Pickups	Other Vehicles
YEAR						
2011	706	456	145	17	70	18
2012	1,301	973	225	21	70	12
2013	1,766	1,260	323	32	137	14
2014	1,843	1,293	313	77	146	14
2015	2,225	1,516	387	82	155	85
QUARTER						
2011						
Mar	232	172	34	4	17	5
Jun	192	117	44	4	21	6
Sep	154	93	38	4	15	4
Dec	128	74	29	5	17	3
2012						
Mar	209	132	63	4	8	2
Jun	392	295	64	8	16	9
Sep	355	281	46	5	23	-
Dec	345	265	52	4	23	1
2013						
Mar	394	299	49	5	39	2
Jun	435	284	110	6	25	10
Sep	403	281	72	11	39	-
Dec	534	396	92	10	34	2
2014						
Mar	374	232	74	8	58	2
Jun	530	391	93	11	32	3
Sep	500	382	56	27	30	5
Dec	439	288	90	31	26	4
2015						
Mar	531	374	53	12	35	57
Jun	630	471	77	28	48	6
Sep	531	348	125	18	34	6
Dec	533	323	132	24	38	16

Source: The Bank of the Cook Islands (BCI), Rarotonga.

Table 7.5 Air Cargo Imports and Exports

Period	Total	Air Cargo Imports	Air Cargo Exports
YEAR		(kg '000)	
2011	1,393	1,326	67
2012	1,861	1,686	175
2013	1,352	1,243	109
2014	1,337	1,255	81
2015	1,364	1,266	98
QUARTER			
2011			
Mar	264	249	15
Jun	463	450	13
Sep	325	301	24
Dec	340	326	14
2012			
Mar	434	406	28
Jun	454	400	54
Sep	516	460	56
Dec	457	420	37
2013			
Mar	279	262	17
Jun	368	346	22
Sep	315	286	29
Dec	390	349	41
2014			
Mar	321	296	25
Jun	317	305	12
Sep	349	330	19
Dec	350	324	25
2015			
Mar	336	312	24
Jun	344	319	25
Sep ^(p)	340	315	25
Dec ^(p)	343	319	24

Source: Air Cargo Manifest - Cargo Division, Air New Zealand, Rarotonga.

**Table 7.6 Average Temperature, Total Rainfall and
Total Sunshine Hours for Selected Islands**

Period	Average						Total Hours of Sunshine Rarotonga
	Temperature (celsius)			Total Rainfall (mm)			
	Rarotonga	Aitutaki	Penrhyn	Rarotonga	Aitutaki	Penrhyn	
YEAR							
2011	25.2	25.5	28.4	1,640	1,443	1,341	2,413
2012	24.3	25.0	28.6	1,215	1,298	1,717	2,136
2013	24.4	25.0	28.5	1,405	1,376	2,237	2,005
2014	23.9	24.9	28.9	1,662	1,372	1,249	2,283
2015	23.6	25.2	29.0	1,441	1,349	1,920	2,189
QUARTER							
2011							
Mar	26.4	26.1	28.9	505	527	388	639
Jun	25.1	26.1	28.3	559	218	313	540
Sep	23.9	24.0	27.8	129	173	320	684
Dec	25.2	25.8	28.5	447	524	320	550
2012							
Mar	25.5	25.8	28.9	605	472	698	564
Jun	24.7	25.0	28.7	260	207	272	464
Sep	21.9	23.4	28.6	115	199	315	492
Dec	25.3	25.7	28.3	235	420	432	615
2013							
Mar	26.2	26.3	29.0	486	479	425	609
Jun	24.3	25.5	28.6	344	208	310	483
Sep	22.1	23.4	28.2	337	196	749	364
Dec	24.9	24.8	28.1	238	493	753	549
2014							
Mar	26.5	26.5	28.8	511	493	440	575
Jun	23.5	24.7	29.0	325	211	227	530
Sep	21.5	23.2	28.9	304	189	108	602
Dec	24.2	25.1	28.9	522	479	474	576
2015							
Mar	25.7	26.2	28.5	771	481	1,031	546
Jun	22.9	25.1	29.1	367	209	139	485
Sep	21.6	24.9	29.0	83	195	94	547
Dec ^(p)	24.2	24.8	29.4	220	464	656	611

Sources: Meteorological Office, Rarotonga.