



# Statistics Bulletin

## INTRODUCTION

This issue provides an overview of the operational performance of the Antigua & Barbuda Social Security Board (ABSSB) for the second quarter of 2018, with comparison to the same period of 2017. It shares information on Registration, Active Contributors and Benefit Payment activities.

### Registration Activity



Figure 1

Figure 1 displays a breakdown of the registration activity for 2<sup>nd</sup> Qtr 2017 and 2018, respectively.

For the second quarter of 2018, newly insured persons increased by 26.0% relative to the same period in 2017. Additionally, self-employed registration significantly decreased by 42.0%.

**Insured Persons Registration****Table 1: Insured Persons by Age Group & Sex**

Age Group	2 <sup>nd</sup> Qtr 2017		2 <sup>nd</sup> Qtr 2018	
	Male	Female	Male	Female
16 - 19	120	143	152	194
20 - 29	103	84	127	108
30 - 39	39	31	44	52
40 - 49	21	18	29	19
50 - 59	17	14	13	8
60 <sup>+</sup>	1	1	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>301</b>	<b>291</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>381</b>

Table 1 shares insured persons by age group and sex. For the second quarter of 2018, the largest proportion [46.4%] of insured persons was within the 16 - 19 year age group.

There were increases to both male and female registration by **21.3%** and **30.9%**, respectively for the second quarter of 2018.

**Table 2: Unemployed Insured Persons by Age Group & Sex**

Age Group	2 <sup>nd</sup> Qtr 2017		2 <sup>nd</sup> Qtr 2018	
	Male	Female	Male	Female
16 - 19	93	123	132	173
20 - 29	53	38	65	52
30 - 39	7	10	14	16
40 - 49	7	9	8	8
50 - 59	7	4	4	3
60 <sup>+</sup>	1	1	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>223</b>	<b>252</b>

In 2018, **63.7%** of the newly insured persons indicated that they were unemployed at the point of registration.

Data further revealed that the 16 - 19 age cohort had an increase of **41.2%** unemployment when compared to the second quarter of 2017.

The number of new insured persons with unemployment status within the 20 - 29 age cohort increased by **28.6%** when compared to the same period for the previous year.

**Table 3: Insured Persons Registration by Nationality**

Nationality	2 <sup>nd</sup> Qtr 2017	2 <sup>nd</sup> Qtr 2018
Antigua & Barbuda	372	453
OECS	85	88
CARICOM <sup>1</sup>	61	72
International	74	133
<b>Total</b>	<b>592</b>	<b>746</b>

For the second quarter of 2018, there was an increase in registration of OECS and CARICOM nationals by 9.6% when compared to the same period for 2017. (Table 3)

Registration of insured persons from territories categorized as **International** increased by 79.0% relative to the second quarter of 2017.

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<sup>1</sup> Non-OECS

**Active Insured Activity****Table 4: Active Contributors by Industry 2<sup>nd</sup> Qtr 2017**

Industry Description	No. of Employers	No. of Employees <sup>2</sup>
Accommodation and food service activities	402	6,988
Activities of households as employers; undifferentiated goods- and services-producing activities of households for own use	440	635
Administrative and support service activities	189	2,243
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	81	193
Arts, entertainment and recreation	48	858
Construction	215	1,629
Education	123	1,185
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	10	835
Financial and insurance activities	78	1,247
Human health and social work activities	104	1,326
Information and communication	40	533
Manufacturing	183	1,148
Mining and quarrying	1	28
Other service activities	273	680
Professional, scientific and technical activities	146	649
Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	80	8,758
Real estate activities	66	975
Transportation and storage	163	2,122
Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	17	57
Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	617	5,385
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>3,276</b>	<b>37,474</b>

<sup>2</sup> Inclusive of dual employment

**Table 5: Active Contributors by Industry 2<sup>nd</sup> Qtr 2018**

Industry Description	No. of Employers	No. of Employees <sup>3</sup>
Accommodation and food service activities	381	5,718
Activities of households as employers; undifferentiated goods- and services-producing activities of households for own use	362	563
Administrative and support service activities	151	1,934
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	65	160
Arts, entertainment and recreation	44	904
Construction	190	1,343
Education	113	1,116
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	9	864
Financial and insurance activities	72	1,260
Human health and social work activities	104	1,316
Information and communication	28	482
Manufacturing	157	1,048
Mining and quarrying	1	12
Other service activities	251	647
Professional, scientific and technical activities	151	681
Public administration and defence; compulsory social security	79	8,285
Real estate activities	62	928
Transportation and storage	157	2,135
Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	14	51
Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	564	4,743
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>2,955</b>	<b>34,190</b>

The number of active employers and employees by industry for the second quarter of 2017 and 2018, respectively are shown at *Tables 4 and 5*.

<sup>3</sup> *Inclusive of dual employment*

**Benefits Activity: Short-Term Branch**

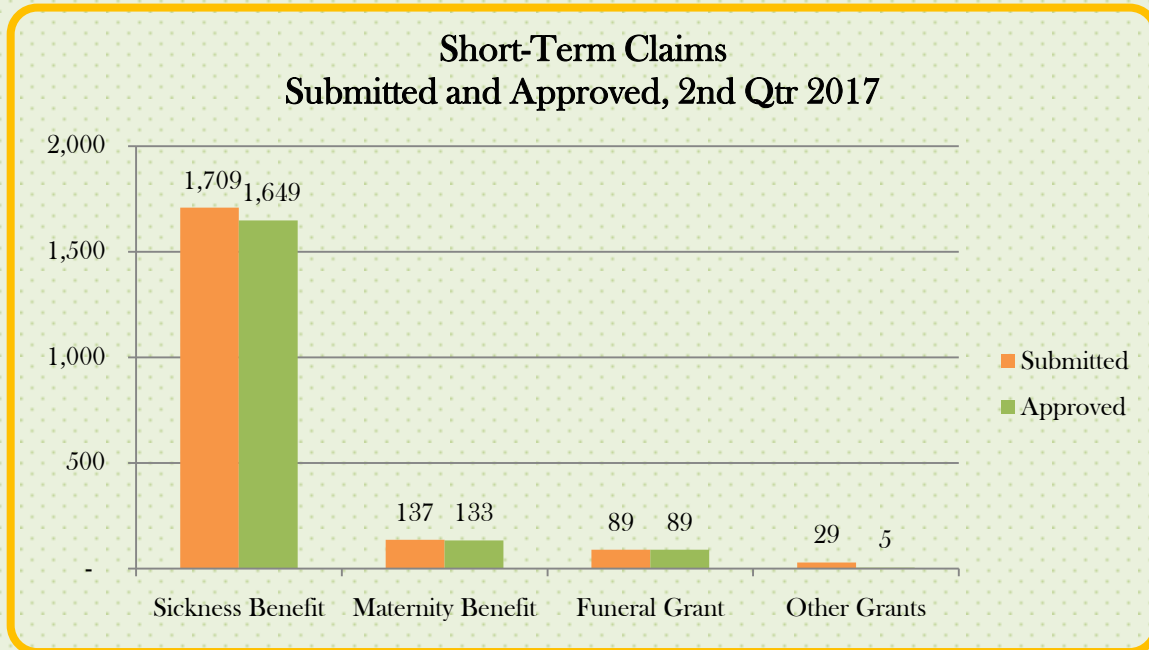


Figure 2

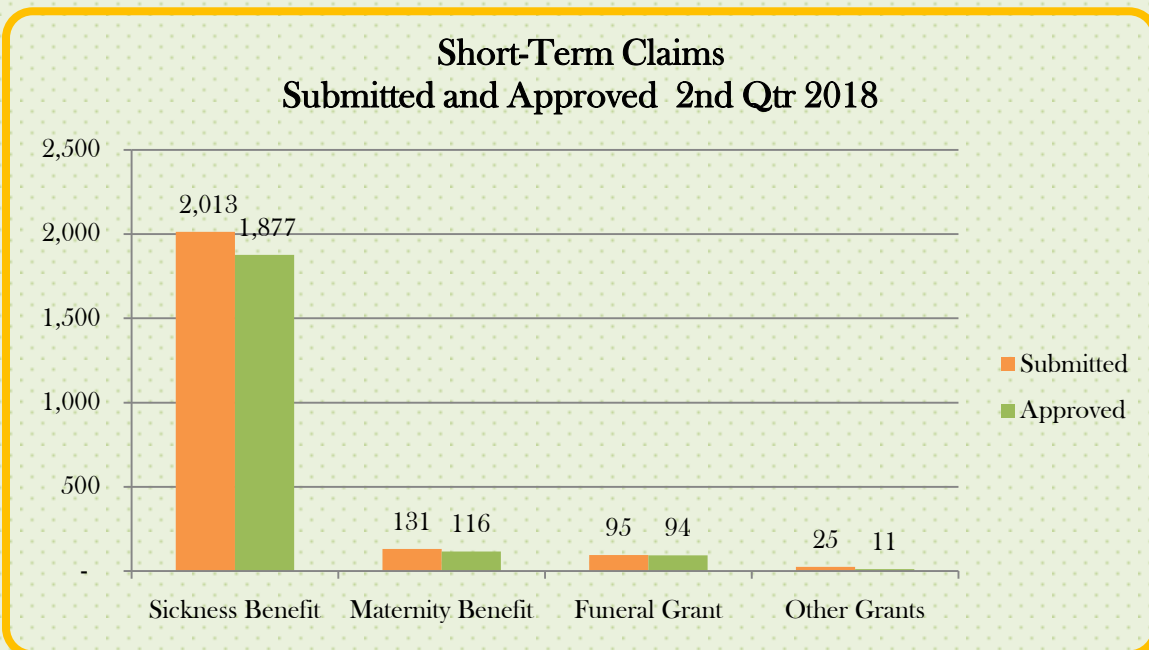
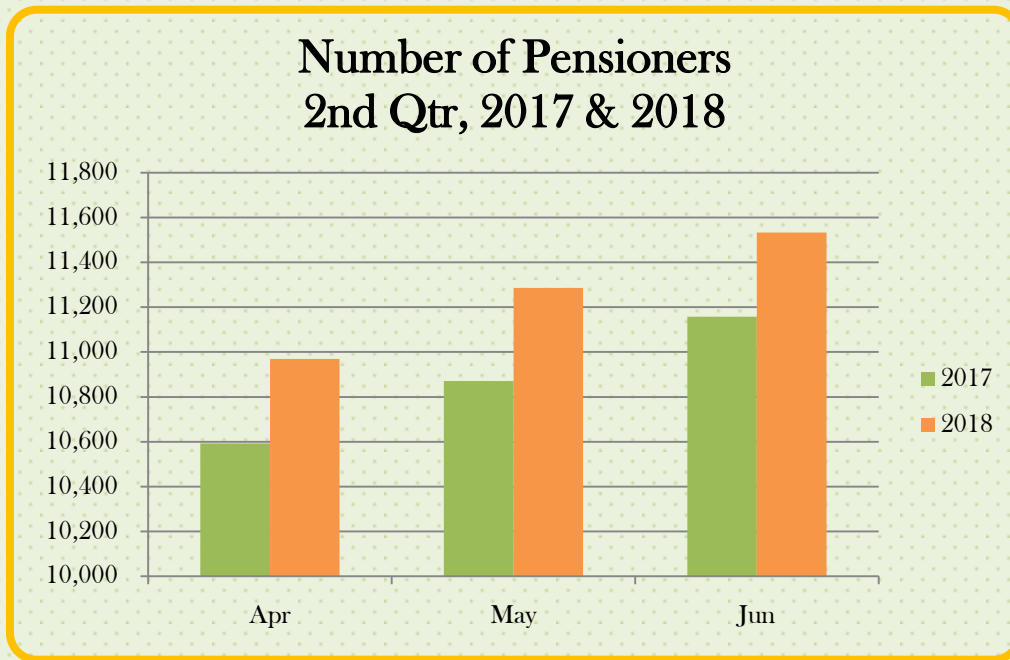


Figure 3

**Benefits Activity: Long-Term Branch**



**Figure 4**

Year	Apr	May	Jun
2017	10,593	10,871	11,157
2018	10,969	11,286	11,533

*Figure 4* illustrates the number of pensioners in receipt of a monthly pension for the second quarter of 2017 and 2018, respectively.