



Introduction

This publication provides an overview of the operational performance of the ABSSB. It gives detail of the Registration activity and the processing of both short- and long-term benefits during the 1st quarter of 2014 and 2015.

Registration Activity

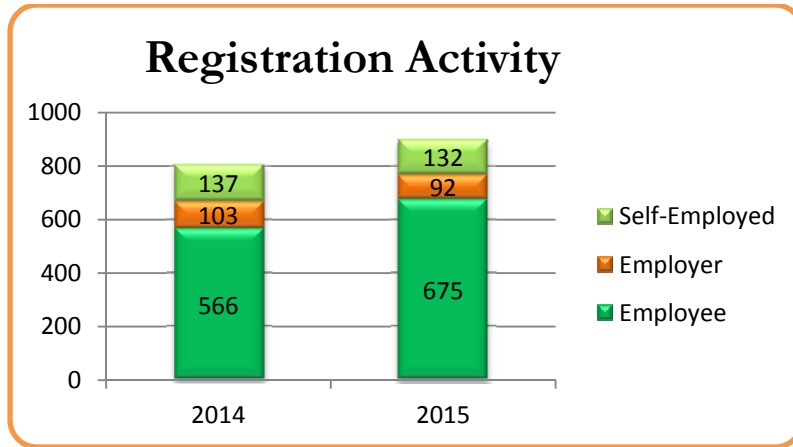


Figure 1 shows the registration activity of the 1st quarter of 2014 and 2015 respectively. From the totals indicated for **employer**, Domestic Employment accounted for the largest portion of newly registered employers followed by Restaurants and Retail Trade businesses for both periods.

Figure 1

Table 1: Registrants by Nationality 2014

Nationality	January	February	March
Antigua & Barbuda	163	111	83
OECS	10	8	9
Non - OECS	44	41	20
International	25	33	19
Total	242	193	131

Table 2: Registrants by Nationality 2015

Nationality	January	February	March
Antigua & Barbuda	108	96	126
OECS	32	33	38
Non - OECS	39	43	38
International	39	26	58
Total	217	198	260

Table 1 and 2 shows the number of new registrants with the ABSSB by nationality. There was an increase of **19.3%** in 2015 relative to the 1st quarter, 2014.

Benefits Activity

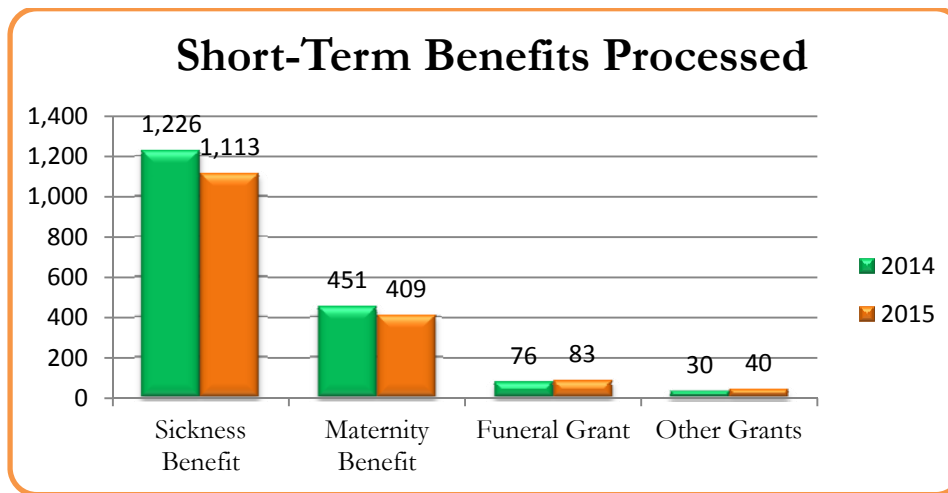


Figure 2

Figure 2 indicates the type of short-term benefits that were processed by the ABSSB. Sickness benefit accounted for **69%** of the short – term claims during the 1st quarter, 2014 and in 2015 the same accounted for **68%** of the claims made.

Pension Profile

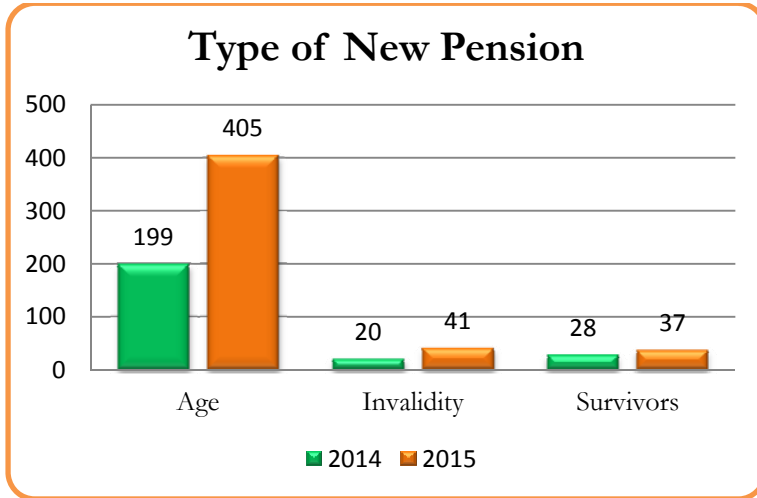


Figure 3 shows the new pensions that were processed. A total of **199** Age pension claims were processed. Similarly, in January 2015, a total of **405** were processed. This shows a significant increase of **103.5%**.

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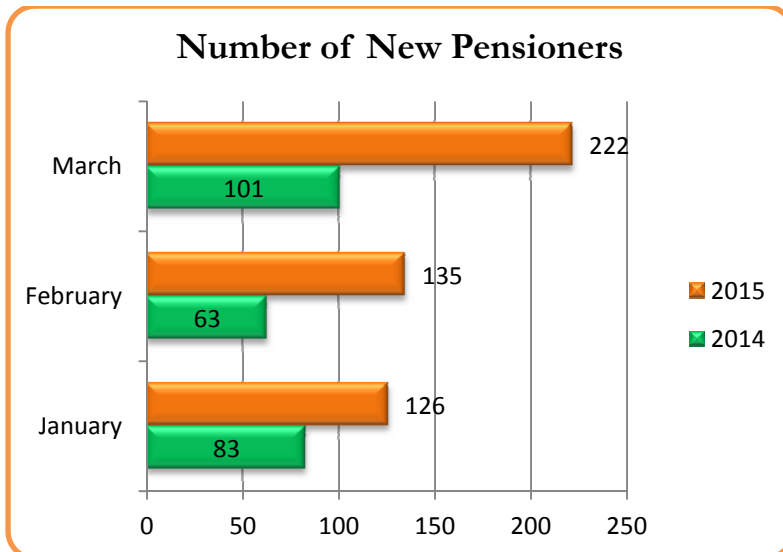


Figure 4 indicates the number of persons who were new pension awardees. For 2014, there were **247** new pensioners; and, in 2015, **483** new pensioners, indicating an increase of **95.5%**.

Figure 4

Total Current Pensioners - 1st Quarter 2014 – 2015

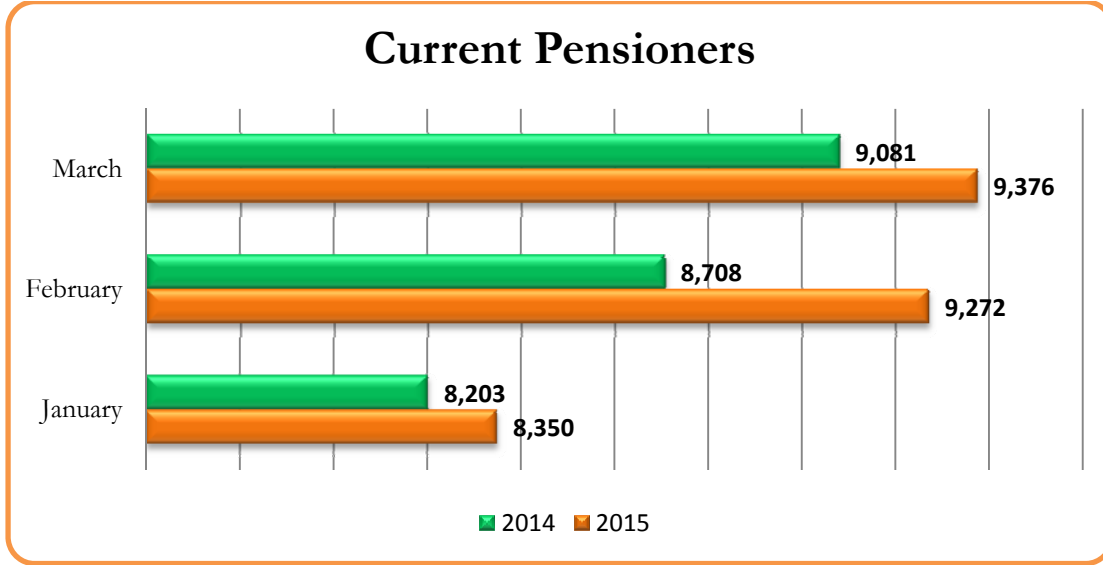


Figure 5

Figure 5 indicates the number of pensioners receiving pension at the end of each month during the 1st quarter for the respective years.