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PREFACE

The 2017 *Statistical Abstract of the Social Security Board* is the 11th such publication by the Social Security Board (SSB) of Belize. This Abstract makes available to the public comprehensive statistical information aimed at increasing public awareness of the Social Security system and ensures the highest level of transparency. This publication covers information for the period 2013 to 2017 on selected SSB topics of public interest that cover all aspects of Insured Persons including: Registration, Contributions, Benefits, Non-contributory Pensions, Appeals, and Investments. Additional information on these topics may be obtained upon written request to SSB.

Furthermore, in SSB's quest to provide the most useful, relevant, timely and accurate data to its stakeholders, and to help promote the extension of social security coverage in line with the objectives and strategies of SSB and the International Social Security Association (ISSA), SSB has included two new sections to its Statistical Abstract, namely, data on the number of migrant workers and self-employed. Migrant workers and self-employed were also included in this Abstract for monitoring and evaluation purposes, as well as in response to high demand for additional data from key stakeholders like the International Organization for Migration (IOM) Belize, Department of Immigration and Nationality Services, Labour Department and Belize Trade and Investment Development Service (Beltraide).

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LIST OF ACRONYMS

AIP	Active Insured Persons
APV	Actuarial Present Value
BZ	Belize
BZ\$	Belize Dollars
CARICOM	Caribbean Community
CMS	Contribution Management System
CPI	Consumer Price Index
DIP	Deceased Insured Person
EI	Employment Injury
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
GOB	Government of Belize
ILO	International Labour Organization
ISIC	International Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities
MOH	Ministry of Health
N/A	Not Available or Not Applicable
NC	Natural Causes
NCP	Non-Contributory Pension
NCPs	Non-Contributory Pensioners
NHI	National Health Insurance
PCP	Primary Care Provider
p	Provisional
r	Revised
Rev.	Revision
SE	Self-Employed
SIB	Statistical Institute of Belize
SSB	Social Security Board
UNWTO	United Nations World Tourism Organization

Notes:

- Exchange rate: US\$1.00 equals BZ\$2.00.
- \$ refers to the Belize dollar unless otherwise stated
- 2017 figures are provisional and 2016 figures have been revised
- Totals in the tables are not always equal to the sum of its components due to rounding off.

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

TERM DEFINITION	
Active Business	A business that has made at least one weekly contribution during the year.
Active Employer	An employer who has made at least one weekly contribution during the year.
Active Self-Employed	A self-employed person who has made at least one weekly contribution during the year.
Active Insured Person	A person who has made at least one weekly contribution during the year.
Appeal	A request from an insured person to have his/her case be heard by an appeal tribunal since he/she is aggrieved by or dissatisfied with a decision made by the SSB regarding a benefit claimed.
Appeal Tribunal	A body that hears appeals arising from the decision of the Social Security Board to disallow a claim for a benefit. The Appeal Tribunal is comprised of an Attorney as Chairman, a representative of employers and a representative of employees. A Tribunal is any person or institution with the authority to judge, adjudicate on, or determine claims or disputes.
Beneficiary	A person entitled to a benefit or a person who is in receipt of a benefit.
Benefit	An advantage, privilege, right, or financial reimbursement (such as that made under an insurance policy, medical plan, or pension plan). For Social Security purposes, a benefit is payable in respect of Sickness, Maternity, Injury, Disablement, Invalidity, Retirement, Death, Funeral Grant or Survivors' Benefits where an insured person has met all the requirements.
Benefit Regulations	The Social Security (Benefit) Regulations, 1980. These are the rules that govern the entitlement to benefit and the sums payable to a beneficiary. A regulation is a principle, rule or law designed to control or govern conduct. In this document, regulations are made by the Minister of Finance under the Social Security Act.
Board	A group of people (Board of Directors) chosen to govern the affairs of the Social Security Board that was established under section 28 of the Social Security Act.
Contribution	The money that employers and persons in insurable employment pay into the Social Security Fund. A contribution payable under the Social Security Act.
Death Benefit	Periodical payments in respect of an injured person who dies as a result of work-related injury or disease. This benefit is paid to the survivors of the deceased insured person (i.e. widow, widower, children or parents).
Disablement Benefit	Periodical payments or a lump sum grant to an insured person who as a result of employment injury or disease sustains loss of physical or mental faculty amounting to not less than 1% degree of disability.
Earnings	Amount of money a person in insurable employment makes or the total compensation that an employee receives in exchange for the service they perform for their employer including overtime payments, acting allowances and responsibility allowances.

TERM DEFINITION	
Employed Person	A person employed in insurable employment as defined by Section 3 (Social Security Act).
Employment Injury (EI)	An Injury arising out of and in the course of insurable employment.
EI Benefit Branch	The benefit branch from which benefits are paid to an insured person who suffers injury from an accident arising out of and in the course of employment. Benefits that are payable from the EI Benefit Branch are: Injury, Disablement Grant, Disablement Pension, Death Benefit, Medical Care, Constant Attendance Allowance and Funeral Grant due to EI.
Fund	The Social Security Fund established under Section 46 of the Social Security Act: contributions are paid into the fund; benefits and administrative costs are paid out of the fund. The excess is invested.
Funeral Grant	A benefit payment made to the person bearing funeral expenses in respect of an insured person who dies as a result of natural causes or work-related injury or disease and also on the death of a spouse or dependent child.
Industry	An organized economic activity or a branch of a commercial enterprise concerned with the output of a specified product or service. The categories of industries utilized by the SSB are aggregated by the International Standard Industrial Classification of all Economic Activities Revision 3.1 and Revision 4 (ISIC Rev. 3.1 and ISIC Rev. 4).
Inflation	An increase in the overall price level of goods and services in a country.
Inflation Rate	The percentage change in the price level of goods and services in an economy over a period of time.
Insurable Employment	Any employment specified in Part 1 of the First Schedule of the Social Security Act. Insurable employment means working in a job for not less than 8 hours a week for another person.
Insured Person	A person who is registered with Social Security and has/had insurable employment.
Invalidity Benefit	Periodical payments or a lump sum payment to an insured person who is rendered permanently incapable of work otherwise than as a result of employment injury.
Investment	The laying out of money or capital with the expectation of a profit.
Investment Income	The income received in a particular year from investment loans, securities and other investments.
Labour Force	All persons aged 14 years and older who were engaged in any form of economic activity for at least one hour during the reference week, or who were willing and able to be engaged in producing goods and services.
Long Term Benefit Branch	The benefit branch or category where benefits are payable for: Retirement Pension, Retirement Grant, Invalidity Pension, Invalidity Grant, Survivors' Pension, Survivors' Grant, and Funeral Grant due to natural causes.
Maternity Allowance	Periodical payments made to an insured woman in the event of her pregnancy or confinement.
Maternity Grant	A lump sum payment paid to an insured woman or to an insured man on the occasion of his wife's confinement if his wife is not entitled to this grant.

TERM DEFINITION	
Medical Board	Medical Board consists of two or more Medical Practitioners appointed by the SSB of whom one may be appointed as the Chairman. Medical Board members are appointed to render advice on disablement questions, for the purpose of establishing invalidity, and for advice on any other medical issue.
Medical Certificate	A certificate issued by a registered medical practitioner in Belize.
Medical Practitioner/ Medical Referee	A person registered under the Medical Practitioners Registration Act and includes any Government Medical Officer in Belize. Medical Practitioners/Referees render advice on disablement questions, for the purpose of establishing invalidity, and for advice on any other medical issue.
Migrant Worker	A migrant worker is someone who is gainfully occupied in employment in Belize who was not born in the country of Belize.
Nominal Rate	Return on investments that is unadjusted for inflation.
Non-Contributory Pension	A pension that is awarded to non-insured persons as a social assistance program by the Government of Belize to help alleviate poverty for women 65 years or older and men 67 years and older.
Primary Care Providers	An individual or an institution that provides preventive and curative health care services in a systematic way to individuals, families or communities.
Prescribed	Requirements designated by Social Security regulation for providing services and benefits.
Real Rate	Return on investments that is adjusted for inflation.
Retirement Benefit	Periodical payments or a lump sum payment to an eligible insured person who a) has attained the age of sixty and is retired from insurable employment or b) who is at least sixty five years (whether employed or unemployed) and c) has met the contribution requirements.
Self-Employed Person	A person gainfully occupied in Belize who is not a person employed under an employer and who is between the ages of 18 and 60 years.
Short Term Benefit Branch	The benefit branch or category comprised of Sickness Benefit, Maternity Allowance and Maternity Grant.
Sickness Benefit	Periodical payments or a lump sum payment to an insured person who is temporarily incapable of work otherwise than as a result of employment injury.
Survivors' Benefit	Periodical payments or a lump sum payment on behalf of an insured person who dies, otherwise than as a consequence of an employment injury. This is the money paid to the eligible dependents of a deceased insured person (i.e. spouses, dependents' children or parents dependent on the insured person).
Total Contributions	The sum of contributions that employers and persons in insurable employment pay into the Social Security Fund and GOB contributions made to the NHI Fund
Voluntary Insured Person	An insured person whose insurance under the Social Security Act is considered voluntarily. If an insured person stops working or becomes self-employed, that person can choose to continue making contributions.

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KEY INDICATORS

Table 0.1
Key Indicators for Selected Years,
2013 - 2017
(BZ\$)

<i>Key Indicators</i>	<i>2013</i>	<i>2014</i>	<i>2015</i>	<i>2016^r</i>	<i>2017^p</i>	<i>2016 - 2017 Change</i>	
						<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Percentage</i>
Registration							
Population of Belize	349,728	358,899	368,310	377,679	385,766	7,797	2.1
Population with a Valid SSB Card	291,699	300,589	322,223	302,857	306,079	3,222	1.1
Percentage of SSB Card Holders in the Population	83.4%	83.8%	87.5%	80.1%	79.3%	(0.8%)	(1.0)
Newly Registered Population	10,440	10,226	11,952	10,748	10,118	(630)	(5.9)
Newly Registered Employers	1,415	1,472	1,444	1,446	1,298	(148)	(10.2)
Newly Registered Businesses	1,582	1,775	1,603	1,758	1,702	(56)	(3.2)
Newly Registered Self Employed	387	403	404	521	439	(82)	(15.7)
Newly Registered Migrant Workers	2,364	2,626	3,120	2,371	1,837	(534)	(22.5)
Contributions							
Employers and Employees Contributions to the SSB Fund	\$66,866,173	\$72,069,579	\$77,377,011	\$80,091,686	\$82,610,532	\$2,518,847	3.1
Active Insured Persons	93,172	98,608	102,165	104,011	104,683	672	0.6
New Active Insured Persons	25,997	29,674	32,862	29,289	25,446	(3,843)	(13.1)
Percentage of Employed Persons Actively Insured	70.9%	73.3%	74.0%	72.1%	69.7%	(2.3%)	(3.2)
Active Employers	9,687	10,589	10,949	11,226	11,231	5	0.0
Active Businesses	10,652	11,404	11,735	12,133	12,141	8	0.1
Active Self Employed	1,032	1,094	1,195	1,390	1,464	74	5.3
Active Migrant Workers	16,017	16,722	17,527	17,507	21,604	4,097	23.4
Benefits							
Benefit Payment Less Benefit Payments for NHI	\$51,859,014	\$54,967,951	\$59,255,405	\$63,845,496	\$70,502,031	\$6,656,535	10.4
Total Claims Processed	58,683	61,315	64,548	63,934	78,042	14,108	22.1
Benefit Recipients	38,872	39,925	42,123	42,338	48,622	6,284	14.8
Retired Contributory Pensioners	4,544	4,855	5,285	5,797	6,312	515	8.9
Contributory Pensioners	7,964	8,437	8,994	9,761	10,376	615	6.3
Employment Injury Cases Allowed	1,805	1,888	1,922	1,842	1,781	(61)	(3.3)

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Table 0.1
Key Indicators for Selected Years Continued,
2013 - 2017
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<i>Key Indicators</i>	<i>2013</i>	<i>2014</i>	<i>2015</i>	<i>2016r</i>	<i>2017p</i>	<i>2016 - 2017 Change</i> <i>Quantity Percentage</i>	
Non-Contributory Pensioners	3,115	2,777	2,513	2,214	2,018	(196)	(8.9)
Payments in Non-Contributory Pensions	\$3,403,993	\$3,033,412	\$2,754,239	\$2,504,904	\$2,297,370	(\$207,534)	(8.3)
Appeals	65	45	46	39	44	5	12.8
National Health Insurance							
GOB Contributions to the NHI Fund	\$14,000,004	\$15,834,472	\$17,025,004	\$17,000,004	\$17,000,004	\$0	0.0
Benefit Payments for NHI	\$12,808,924	\$14,299,110	\$17,936,941	\$16,141,065	\$15,822,665	(\$318,400)	(2.0)
NHI Operating Expenses	\$731,607	\$728,740	\$757,427	\$787,397	\$931,218	\$143,821	18.3
NHI Administrative Expenditure	\$700,110	\$702,290	\$729,597	\$744,554	\$885,962	\$141,408	19.0
NHI Expenditure (Operating Expenses and Benefit Payments)	\$13,540,531	\$15,027,850	\$18,694,368	\$16,928,462	\$16,753,883	(\$174,579)	(1.0)
Total NHI Membership	96,784	96,927	97,969	100,794	111,720	10,926	10.8
NHI Membership in Southside Belize City	49,083	49,226	49,401	49,517	49,706	189	0.4
NHI Membership in the Southern Region	47,701	47,701	47,701	47,701	47,701	0	0.0
NHI Membership in the Northern Region	0	0	867	3,576	14,313	10,737	300.3
Investments							
Total Investments as at December 31	\$385,384,770	\$410,154,498	\$440,260,035	\$438,804,307	\$457,947,990	\$19,143,683	4.4
Net Investment Income	\$19,069,448	\$26,186,332	\$24,791,972	\$26,268,696	\$23,888,586	(\$2,380,110)	(9.1)
Nominal Rate of Return on Investments (%)	5.2	6.8	6.0	6.2	5.5	(0.7)	(11.3)
Real Rate of Return on Investments (%)	4.7	5.6	6.9	5.5	4.4	(1.1)	(20.0)
Financial Data Including GOB Contributions to the NHI Fund and NHI Expenditures							
Total Income	\$100,917,450	\$115,196,191	\$120,276,879	\$123,915,010	\$124,583,958	\$668,948	0.5
Total Contributions	\$80,866,177	\$87,904,051	\$94,402,015	\$97,091,690	\$99,610,536	\$2,518,846	2.6
Total Benefit Payments	\$64,667,938	\$69,267,061	\$77,192,346	\$79,986,561	\$86,324,696	\$6,338,135	7.9
Total Operating Expenses	\$19,600,631	\$19,394,519	\$20,082,380	\$20,525,964	\$23,722,654	\$3,196,690	15.6
Administration Expenses	\$18,155,670	\$18,143,784	\$18,853,531	\$19,278,335	\$22,441,977	\$3,163,642	16.4
Total Expenditure	\$84,268,569	\$88,661,580	\$97,274,726	\$100,512,525	\$110,047,350	\$9,534,825	9.5
Excess of Income Over Expenditure	\$16,648,881	\$26,534,611	\$23,002,153	\$23,402,485	\$14,536,608	(\$8,865,877)	(37.9)

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Table 0.1
Key Indicators for Selected Years Continued,
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<i>Key Indicators</i>	<i>2013</i>	<i>2014</i>	<i>2015</i>	<i>2016^r</i>	<i>2017^p</i>	<i>2016 - 2017 Change</i> <i>Quantity Percentage</i>	
Financial Data Excluding GOB Contributions to the NHI Fund and NHI Expenditures							
Total Income	\$86,917,446	\$99,361,719	\$103,251,875	\$106,915,006	\$107,583,954	\$668,948	0.6
Total Operating Expenses	\$18,869,024	\$18,665,779	\$19,324,953	\$19,738,567	\$22,791,436	\$3,052,869	15.5
Administration Expenses	\$17,455,560	\$17,441,494	\$18,123,934	\$18,533,781	\$21,556,015	\$3,022,234	16.3
Total Expenditure	\$70,728,038	\$73,633,730	\$78,580,358	\$83,584,063	\$93,293,467	\$9,709,404	11.6
Excess of Income Over Expenditure	\$16,189,408	\$25,727,989	\$24,671,517	\$23,330,943	\$14,290,487	(\$9,040,456)	(38.7)
Total Expenditure to Total Income (Efficiency Ratio)	0.81	0.74	0.76	0.78	0.87	0.1	10.9
Total Expenditure to Contribution Income	1.06	1.02	1.02	1.04	1.13	0.1	8.2
Benefit Payment as a % of Contribution Income	77.6%	76.3%	76.6%	79.7%	85.3%	5.6%	7.1
Operating Expenses to Contribution Income Ratio	0.28	0.26	0.25	0.25	0.28	0.0	11.9
Operating Expenses to Total Income Ratio	0.22	0.19	0.19	0.18	0.21	0.0	14.7
Administration Expenses to Contribution Income	0.26	0.24	0.23	0.23	0.26	0.0	12.8
Other							
GDP at Current Market Prices	\$3,216,884,298	\$3,385,911,511	\$3,525,000,877	\$3,613,292,518	\$3,725,229,598	\$111,937,079	3.1
Total Assets	\$461,230,877	\$477,731,226	\$501,292,442	\$522,397,112	\$540,572,821	\$18,175,709	3.5
Reserves at End of Year	\$453,002,097	\$469,834,597	\$491,611,255	\$512,761,611	\$526,768,529	\$14,006,918	2.7
Reserves as a % of GDP	14.1%	13.9%	13.9%	14.2%	14.1%	(0.1%)	(0.4)
Reserves to Expenditure Ratio	6.40	6.38	6.26	6.13	5.65	(0.5)	(8.0)
Investment as a % of Reserves	88.0%	87.8%	87.5%	85.6%	86.9%	1.4%	1.6
Dependency Ratio (Number of Contributors per Pensioner)	11.70	11.69	11.36	10.66	10.09	(0.6)	(5.3)
Demographic Ratio (Contributory Pensioners per Active Insured Person)	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.10	0.0	5.6
Customer Satisfaction Rate	84.9%	N/A	N/A	94.9%	N/A	N/A	N/A

Source: Social Security Board

Notes: Difference in totals in the Quantity Change section may not be exact due to rounding.

N/A - Not Available

REGISTRATION

This section presents statistics on registration of all eligible persons in Belize. Indicators include the registration of the general population, businesses, employers and the self-employed. The principal source of the data is the Social Security Board's (SSB) Registration databases. Secondary sources of the data include the Statistical Institute of Belize (SIB) and the Ministry of Health (MOH).

Registration – The Social Security Act, Chapter 44 of the Laws of Belize Revised Edition 2000 – 2003, provides for the mandatory registration of all nationals, registered aliens, holders of work permits and their dependents, regardless of their age. Each person who registers with the SSB is allotted a Social Security number. Minors under the age of 14 years are given an SSB minor card not valid for employment. The eligible working age population 14 to 64 years is given a regular card valid for employment with an expiration date. Senior citizens sixty-five years and over are given a Golden Citizen card without an expiration date. The Social Security Card has become a primary source of identification within the country.

Employer and Business – The term employer is used to indicate that such entity or person is registered and has an account with the SSB for payment of contributions on behalf of employees. An employer may have more than one business. Each business is given a unique business number, which is a sub-account of the existing employer. Therefore, employers can only have one employer number but more than one business number.

Population – The figures used for the Belize population are derived from the census (conducted every 10 years) and mid-year estimates which are sourced from SIB. Data on live births are provided by MOH. These figures are used to compute the number of children registered within the year of birth.

Table 1.1
Percentage of Valid Card Holders in the Population by District,
2013 - 2017

District	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Persons with Valid Cards	291,699	300,589	322,223	302,857	306,079
Corozal	30,456	32,500	34,643	33,166	33,703
Orange Walk	41,627	41,581	45,401	43,363	44,160
Belize	97,539	99,962	106,927	99,919	100,129
Cayo	61,750	66,212	69,828	66,720	67,713
Stann Creek	36,212	37,373	40,361	37,165	37,681
Toledo	24,115	22,961	25,063	22,524	22,693
Population	349,728	358,899	368,310	377,969	385,766
Corozal	43,719	44,613	45,530	46,472	47,231
Orange Walk	48,040	48,744	49,466	50,208	50,807
Belize	104,423	107,494	110,645	113,878	116,489
Cayo	82,677	85,243	87,876	90,579	92,760
Stann Creek	37,620	38,728	39,865	41,032	41,975
Toledo	33,249	34,077	34,928	35,800	36,504
Percentage of Valid Card Holders in the Population	83.4	83.8	87.5	80.1	79.3
Corozal	69.7	72.8	76.1	71.4	71.4
Orange Walk	86.7	85.3	91.8	86.4	86.9
Belize	93.4	93.0	96.6	87.7	86.0
Cayo	74.7	77.7	79.5	73.7	73.0
Stann Creek	96.3	96.5	101.2	90.6	89.8
Toledo	72.5	67.4	71.8	62.9	62.2

Source: Social Security Board and Statistical Institute of Belize

Note: Population data are from mid year estimates based on intercensal growth rates and the Labour Force Surveys.

Table 1.2
Valid Cards by Card Type,
2013 - 2017

Card Type	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total	291,699	300,589	322,223	302,857	306,079
Minor (< 14 yrs)	66,479	66,744	75,318	67,133	65,961
Adult (14 - 64 yrs)	206,576	214,577	223,231	217,589	219,575
Senior (65+ yrs)	18,644	19,268	23,674	18,135	20,543

Source: Social Security Board

Table 1.3
Newly Registered Persons by Age Group,
2013 - 2017

Age Group	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total	10,440	10,226	11,952	10,748	10,118
0 - 4	4,121	3,699	4,682	4,572	4,704
5 - 9	1,284	1,394	1,486	1,377	1,089
10 - 14	1,408	1,110	1,320	1,087	938
15 - 19	1,028	993	990	943	791
20 - 24	651	797	910	731	649
25 - 29	415	456	526	415	438
30 - 34	323	331	465	320	305
35 - 39	244	338	346	268	252
40 - 44	190	233	280	217	220
45 - 49	191	216	248	200	184
50 - 54	166	197	185	177	159
55 - 59	130	173	172	147	135
60+	289	289	342	294	254

Source: Social Security Board

Table 1.4
Percentage of Newly Registered Persons in the Population by District,
2013 - 2017

District	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Newly Registered	10,440	10,226	11,952	10,748	10,118
Corozal	1,253	1,144	1,402	1,216	1,012
Orange Walk	1,393	1,305	1,485	1,538	1,584
Belize	3,108	2,750	3,058	2,916	2,903
Cayo	2,463	2,759	3,257	2,907	2,852
Stann Creek	1,681	1,746	2,157	1,691	1,389
Toledo	542	522	593	480	378
Population	349,728	358,899	368,310	377,969	385,766
Corozal	43,719	44,613	45,530	46,472	47,231
Orange Walk	48,040	48,744	49,466	50,208	50,807
Belize	104,423	107,494	110,645	113,878	116,489
Cayo	82,677	85,243	87,876	90,579	92,760
Stann Creek	37,620	38,728	39,865	41,032	41,975
Toledo	33,249	34,077	34,928	35,800	36,504
Percentage of Newly Registered	3.0	2.8	3.2	2.8	2.6
Corozal	2.9	2.6	3.1	2.6	2.1
Orange Walk	2.9	2.7	3.0	3.1	3.1
Belize	3.0	2.6	2.8	2.6	2.5
Cayo	3.0	3.2	3.7	3.2	3.1
Stann Creek	4.5	4.5	5.4	4.1	3.3
Toledo	1.6	1.5	1.7	1.3	1.0

Source: Social Security Board and Statistical Institute of Belize

Note: Population Data are from mid year estimates based on intercensal growth rates and the Labour Force Surveys.

Table 1.5
Social Security Registration Coverage of Live Births,
2013 - 2017

	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Live Births	7,250	7,328	7,456	7,214	7,224
Children Registered in Birth Year	1,310	1,014	1,250	1,181	1,012
Percentage of Live Births Registered	18.1%	13.8%	16.8%	16.4%	14.0%

Source: Ministry of Health and Social Security Board

Table 1.6
Newly Registered Employers by District,
2013 - 2017

District	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total	1,415	1,472	1,444	1,446	1,298
Corozal	249	187	200	177	158
Orange Walk	165	178	168	169	153
Belize	441	491	504	529	490
Cayo	339	364	306	299	282
Stann Creek	162	188	199	202	172
Toledo	59	64	67	70	43

Source: Social Security Board

Table 1.7
Newly Registered Businesses by District,
2013 - 2017

District	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total	1,582	1,775	1,603	1,758	1,702
Corozal	262	238	237	230	201
Orange Walk	185	208	190	218	180
Belize	497	550	535	582	665
Cayo	376	448	331	371	361
Stann Creek	186	231	213	232	233
Toledo	76	100	97	125	62

Source: Social Security Board

CONTRIBUTIONS

This section presents data on Contributions made to the SSB and characteristics of the actively Insured Persons (IP's), as well as the active businesses, employers and the self-employed. The principal source of the contribution data is the SSB's database, captured through the Contributions Management System (CMS).

Schedule of Contributions Based on Weekly Insurable Earnings

Weekly Earnings Group	Average Insurable Earnings (BZ\$)	Employees' Contributions (BZ\$)	Employers' Contributions (BZ\$)	Total Weekly Contributions (BZ\$)
Under \$70.00	55.00	0.83	3.57	4.40
\$70.00 to \$109.99	90.00	1.35	5.85	7.20
\$110.00 to \$139.99	130.00	1.95	8.45	10.40
\$140.00 to \$179.99	160.00	3.15	9.65	12.80
\$180.00 to \$219.99	200.00	4.75	11.25	16.00
\$220.00 to \$259.99	240.00	6.35	12.85	19.20
\$260.00 to \$299.99	280.00	7.95	14.45	22.40
\$300.00 and Over	320.00	9.55	16.05	25.60
**	0.00	0.00	2.60	2.60

Source: Social Security Board

Note: ** Applies to persons age 60 - 64 years who have received a retirement benefit and all persons 65 years and older.

Methods of payments - Employers can pay contributions on behalf of their employees in the following ways:

1. *Direct* – is the most commonly used method and payment can be made by visiting any of the nine SSB Branch Offices located in all district towns and five of the most economically active rural areas. At the SSB's Branch Offices, cashiers receive payments and the completed statement of contribution forms with details of the contributions made.
2. *Over-The-Counter* – is paid over-the-counter at any of the designated banks countrywide; the completed forms can either be submitted to the Bank or any of the SSB Branch Offices. The bank submits to SSB the contribution payments electronically and sends the hard copies of the corresponding contribution statement forms to the relevant SSB Branch Office. There is a gradual decrease in this practice and a shift to online payments.
3. *Online* – is the most recently introduced method of paying contributions for customers' convenience and can be initially carried out with two commercial banks. The information on the statement of contribution form is attached along with the online payment information electronically in a predefined text format. The contribution information can be received in hard-copies at the designated banks.
4. *The Government of Belize (GOB)* – makes the payments for its employees by direct deposit and sends the statement of contributions electronically through the GOB payment system.

All contributions collected are accrued into the Social Security Fund and are used to pay benefits and administrative expenditures, and invested to earn income for future expenditures and payment of pensions.

Table 2.1
Total Contributions and Total Benefit Expenditure,
2013 - 2017
(BZ\$)

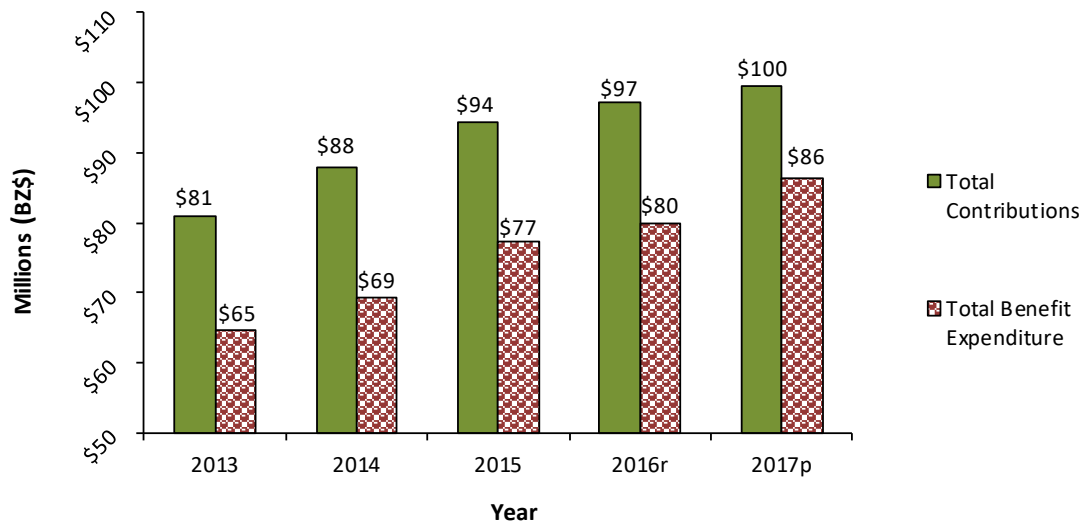
	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total Contributions	\$80,866,177	\$87,904,051	\$94,402,015	\$97,091,690	\$99,610,536
Total Benefit Expenditure	\$64,667,938	\$69,267,061	\$77,192,346	\$79,986,561	\$86,324,696
Total Benefit Expenditure as a % of Total Contributions	80.0%	78.8%	81.8%	82.4%	86.7%
Contributions (Total Contributions Less GOB Contribution to the NHI Fund)	\$66,866,173	\$72,069,579	\$77,377,011	\$80,091,686	\$82,610,532
Benefit Expenditure (Total Benefit Expenditure Less NHI Expenditures)	\$51,859,014	\$54,967,951	\$59,255,405	\$63,845,496	\$70,502,031
Benefit Expenditure as a % of Contributions	77.6%	76.3%	76.6%	79.7%	85.3%

Source: Social Security Board

Notes: Total Contributions figures represent GOB contributions to the NHI Fund as well as those collected from employers, employees, voluntary and self employed persons.

Total Benefit Expenditure figures represent payments made to the three SSB Benefit Branches and payments made to NHI Primary Care Providers.

Chart 1
Total Contributions and Total Benefit Expenditure,
2013 - 2017

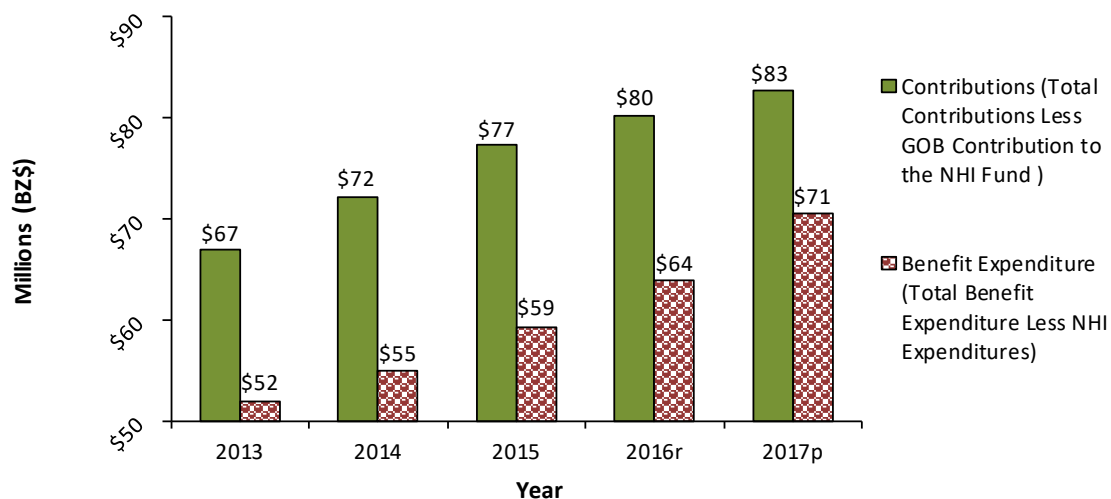


Source: Social Security Board

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Chart 2
Contributions and Benefit Expenditure,
2013 - 2017



Source: Social Security Board

Table 2.2
Contributions Collected and its Percentage Distribution by District,
2013 - 2017
(BZ\$)

District	Year									
	2013		2014		2015		2016r		2017p	
	Quantity	%	Quantity	%	Quantity	%	Quantity	%	Quantity	%
Total	\$66,866,173	100.0	\$72,069,579	100.0	\$77,377,011	100.0	\$80,091,686	100.0	\$82,610,532	100.0
Corozal	\$4,190,978	6.3	\$4,242,305	5.9	\$4,328,060	5.6	\$3,959,549	4.9	\$3,849,929	4.7
Orange Walk	\$4,211,679	6.3	\$4,325,867	6.0	\$4,816,940	6.2	\$5,121,111	6.4	\$5,113,144	6.2
Belize	\$30,091,184	45.0	\$32,256,276	44.8	\$34,036,503	44.0	\$35,507,289	44.3	\$36,709,348	44.4
Cayo	\$19,929,029	29.8	\$22,082,753	30.6	\$23,601,248	30.5	\$25,096,756	31.3	\$25,866,680	31.3
Stann Creek	\$7,289,336	10.9	\$7,929,024	11.0	\$9,277,657	12.0	\$9,013,803	11.3	\$9,688,250	11.7
Toledo	\$1,153,965	1.7	\$1,233,354	1.7	\$1,316,604	1.7	\$1,393,179	1.7	\$1,383,180	1.7

Source: Social Security Board

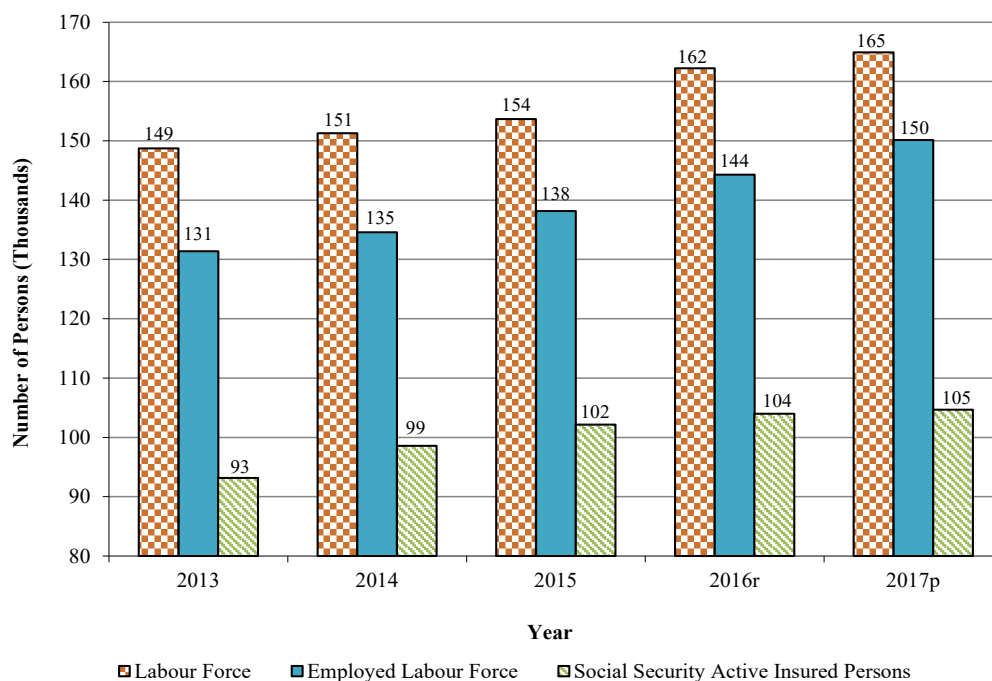
Note: Contributions figures reflect those collected from employers, employees, voluntary and self employed persons.

Table 2.3
Active Insured Persons and the Labour Force Participation Rates,
2013 - 2017

	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Number of Persons in the Labour Force	148,736	151,317	153,689	162,254	164,935
Number of Persons Employed in the Labour Force	131,380	134,587	138,145	144,302	150,112
Number of Active Insured Persons	93,172	98,608	102,165	104,011	104,683
% of Active Insured in the Labour Force	62.6%	65.2%	66.5%	64.1%	63.5%
% of Active Insured in the Employed Force	70.9%	73.3%	74.0%	72.1%	69.7%

Source: Social Security Board and Statistical Institute of Belize

Chart 3
Labour Force, Employed Labour Force and Active Insured Persons,
2013 - 2017



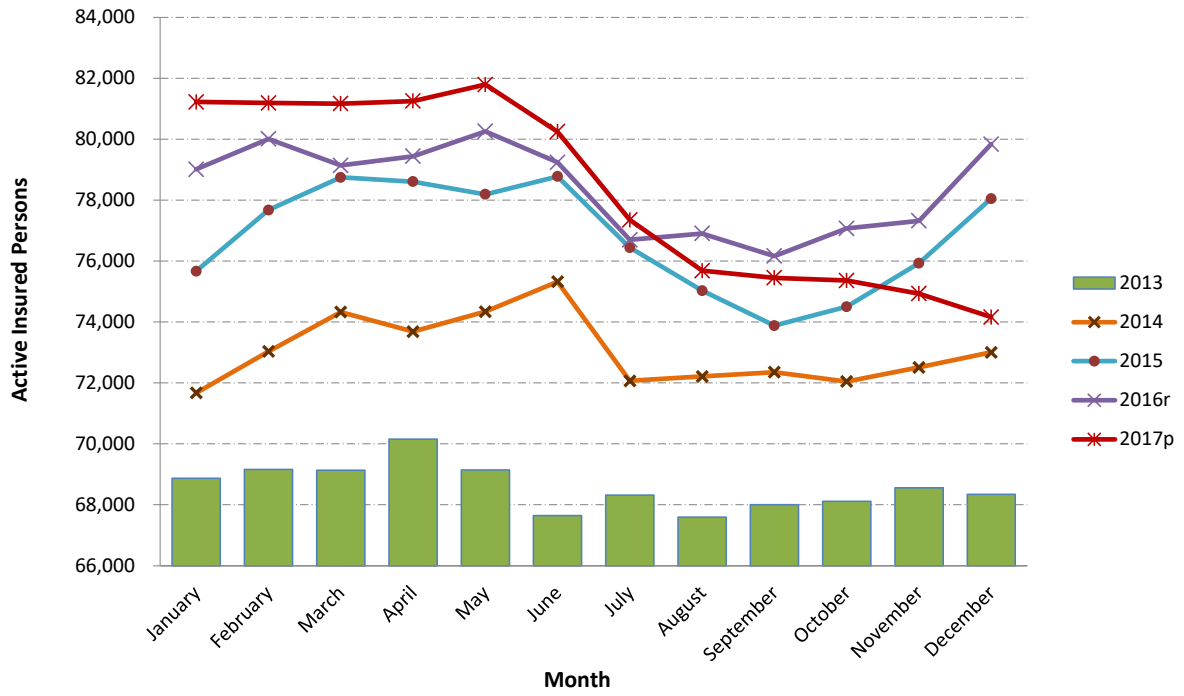
Source: Social Security Board and Statistical Institute of Belize

Table 2.4
Active Insured Persons by District, Sex and Age Group,
2013 - 2017

Selected Characteristics	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total	93,172	98,608	102,165	104,011	104,683
District					
Corozal	8,770	9,361	8,572	8,569	8,110
Orange Walk	7,949	8,419	8,479	9,060	8,611
Belize	37,059	41,017	40,173	44,313	45,823
Cayo	23,925	23,875	28,043	25,681	25,165
Stann Creek	13,409	11,665	14,696	11,806	12,506
Toledo	2,060	4,271	2,202	4,582	4,468
Sex					
Male	58,059	61,576	63,547	64,112	64,265
Female	35,113	37,032	38,618	39,899	40,418
Age Group					
14 - 24	23,298	17,568	25,118	25,339	24,263
25 - 34	29,842	33,066	32,789	33,178	33,670
35 - 44	20,808	23,840	22,756	23,235	23,689
45 - 54	13,014	15,348	14,337	14,825	15,214
55+	6,210	8,786	7,165	7,434	7,847

Source: Social Security Board

Chart 4
Active Insured Persons by Month,
2013 - 2017



Source: Contributions Database, Social Security Board

Table 2.5
Active Insured Persons and their Percentage Distribution by Industry,
2013 - 2017

Industry	Year									
	2013		2014		2015		2016r		2017p	
	Quantity	%	Quantity	%	Quantity	%	Quantity	%	Quantity	%
Total Active Insured Persons	93,172	100.0	98,608	100.0	102,165	100.0	104,011	100.0	104,683	100.0
Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair of Motor Vehicles and Motorcycles	12,323	13.2	13,738	13.9	14,549	14.2	15,582	15.0	16,329	15.6
Accommodation and Food Service Activities	11,033	11.8	12,414	12.6	13,371	13.1	14,407	13.9	14,934	14.3
Public Administration and Defence; Compulsory Social Security	13,129	14.1	14,232	14.4	15,277	15.0	15,075	14.5	14,108	13.5
Agriculture	15,057	16.2	16,185	16.4	16,357	16.0	14,549	14.0	13,839	13.2
Manufacturing	7,460	8.0	8,223	8.3	9,021	8.8	9,253	8.9	9,917	9.5
Construction	8,500	9.1	10,060	10.2	9,842	9.6	10,202	9.8	9,270	8.9
Education	6,251	6.7	6,441	6.5	6,510	6.4	6,921	6.7	6,830	6.5
Administrative and Support Service Activities	4,211	4.5	4,951	5.0	5,257	5.1	5,698	5.5	6,150	5.9
Professional, Scientific and Technical Activities	4,169	4.5	5,383	5.5	5,322	5.2	5,840	5.6	5,101	4.9
Transportation and Storage	3,348	3.6	3,435	3.5	3,569	3.5	3,896	3.7	3,957	3.8
Information and Communication	2,235	2.4	2,335	2.4	2,810	2.8	3,378	3.2	3,696	3.5
Financial and Insurance Activities	2,948	3.2	2,759	2.8	2,889	2.8	3,096	3.0	3,236	3.1
Activities of Households as Employers; Undifferentiated Goods & Service Producing Activities of Households for Own Use	2,279	2.4	2,524	2.6	2,649	2.6	3,016	2.9	2,843	2.7
Human Health and Social Work Activities	1,943	2.1	1,975	2.0	2,043	2.0	2,200	2.1	2,385	2.3
Other Service Activities	2,343	2.5	2,719	2.8	2,763	2.7	2,458	2.4	2,351	2.2
Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	2,380	2.6	2,465	2.5	2,414	2.4	2,418	2.3	1,934	1.8
Fishing and Aquaculture	1,945	2.1	2,514	2.5	2,243	2.2	1,598	1.5	1,464	1.4
Water Supply; Sewerage, Waste Management and Remediation Activities	1,023	1.1	1,054	1.1	1,033	1.0	860	0.8	987	0.9
Real Estate Activities	396	0.4	432	0.4	633	0.6	648	0.6	928	0.9
Electricity, Gas, Steam and Air Condition Supply	489	0.5	524	0.5	553	0.5	587	0.6	697	0.7
Mining and Quarrying	684	0.7	727	0.7	713	0.7	544	0.5	627	0.6
Activities of Extra-Territorial Organizations and Bodies	353	0.4	376	0.4	459	0.4	379	0.4	433	0.4
Forestry and Logging	237	0.3	308	0.3	404	0.4	390	0.4	301	0.3
Do Not Know or Not Stated	53	0.1	45	0.0	23	0.0	30	0.0	24	0.0

Source: Social Security Board

Notes: The total number of Active Insured Persons shown is not equal to the sum of the Insured Persons in each industry during the respective years due to persons working in different industries during the year.

The sum of the percentages of Insured Persons in each industry does not add up to 100% during the respective years due to persons working in different industries during the year.

Classification of Industry as per International Standard Industrial Classification of Economic Activities Revision 4.

Table 2.6
Active Insured Persons and their Percentage Distribution by Average Weekly Insurable Earnings,
2013 - 2017

Weekly Earnings Group	Year									
	2013		2014		2015		2016r		2017p	
	Quantity	%	Quantity	%	Quantity	%	Quantity	%	Quantity	%
Total	93,172	100.0	98,608	100.0	102,165	100.0	104,011	100.0	104,683	100.0
Under \$70.00	6,141	6.6	6,595	6.7	5,727	5.6	5,078	4.9	4,609	4.4
\$70.00 to \$109.99	7,236	7.8	8,229	8.3	7,671	7.5	6,633	6.4	6,493	6.2
\$110.00 to \$139.99	6,323	6.8	6,776	6.9	6,455	6.3	5,864	5.6	5,735	5.5
\$140.00 to \$179.99	13,374	14.4	13,857	14.1	14,280	14.0	13,703	13.2	12,867	12.3
\$180.00 to \$219.99	11,461	12.3	11,821	12.0	12,331	12.1	12,615	12.1	12,623	12.1
\$220.00 to \$259.99	9,369	10.1	9,402	9.5	10,285	10.1	10,994	10.6	11,008	10.5
\$260.00 to \$299.99	5,767	6.2	5,699	5.8	6,190	6.1	6,620	6.4	6,610	6.3
\$300.00 and Over	32,338	34.7	35,019	35.5	37,936	37.1	41,192	39.6	43,411	41.5
**	1,163	1.2	1,210	1.2	1,290	1.3	1,312	1.3	1,327	1.3

Source: Social Security Board

Note: ** Applies to persons age 60 - 64 years who have received a retirement benefit and all persons 65 years and older.

Table 2.7
Number of Active Insured Persons by Industry and Average Weekly Insurable Earnings,
2016r

Industry	Average Weekly Insurable Earnings										Total
	Under \$70.00	\$70.00 to \$109.99	\$110.00 to \$139.99	\$140.00 to \$179.99	\$180.00 to \$219.99	\$220.00 to \$259.99	\$260.00 to \$299.99	\$300.00 and Over	**	Total	
Total	5,078	6,633	5,864	13,703	12,615	10,994	6,620	41,192	1,312	104,011	
Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair of Motor Vehicles and Motorcycles	608	1,039	1,038	3,580	2,895	1,995	933	3,373	121	15,582	
Public Administration and Defence; Compulsory Social Security	423	324	241	855	997	1,558	1,179	9,332	166	15,075	
Agriculture	2,499	2,275	1,741	2,535	1,621	1,118	615	1,747	398	14,549	
Accommodation and Food Service Activities	564	980	1,002	2,380	1,997	1,571	997	4,842	74	14,407	
Construction	341	609	619	1,376	1,649	1,439	763	3,310	96	10,202	
Manufacturing	408	557	622	1,665	1,409	960	530	2,997	105	9,253	
Education	74	76	138	240	312	351	300	5,362	68	6,921	
Professional, Scientific and Technical Activities	110	994	196	397	850	804	379	2,071	39	5,840	
Administrative and Support Service Activities	241	517	357	725	747	743	513	1,808	47	5,698	
Transportation and Storage	138	178	240	398	492	499	296	1,601	54	3,896	
Information and Communication	378	139	192	390	265	279	156	1,558	21	3,378	
Financial and Insurance Activities	44	62	45	81	126	249	179	2,289	21	3,096	
Activities of Households as Employers; Undifferentiated Goods & Service Producing Activities of Households for Own Use	266	470	325	664	487	282	81	416	25	3,016	
Other Service Activities	89	146	135	344	293	235	117	1,050	49	2,458	
Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	108	110	109	303	371	355	280	757	25	2,418	
Human Health and Social Work Activities	34	55	63	135	235	251	164	1,251	12	2,200	
Fishing and Aquaculture	324	232	151	278	163	107	58	276	9	1,598	
Water Supply; Sewerage, Waste Management and Remediation Activities	67	69	41	115	79	95	50	333	11	860	
Real Estate Activities	13	17	16	51	47	85	41	372	6	648	
Electricity, Gas Steam and Air Condition Supply	9	5	6	33	32	15	20	464	3	587	
Mining and Quarrying	10	15	24	45	51	66	29	294	10	544	
Activities of Extra-Territorial Organizations and Bodies	13	18	29	69	73	77	21	77	13	390	
Forestry and Logging	2	3	1	7	16	36	21	291	2	379	
Do Not Know or Not Stated	0	4	0	5	9	1	6	5	0	30	

Source: Social Security Board

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Table 2.8
Percentage Distribution of Active Insured Persons by Industry and Average Weekly Insurable Earnings,
2016r

Industry	Average Weekly Insurable Earnings										
	Under \$70.00	\$70.00 to \$109.99	\$110.00 to \$139.99	\$140.00 to \$179.99	\$180.00 to \$219.99	\$220.00 to \$259.99	\$260.00 to \$299.99	\$300.00 and Over	**	Total	
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair of Motor Vehicles and Motorcycles	12.0	15.7	17.7	26.1	22.9	18.1	14.1	8.2	9.2	15.0	15.0
Public Administration and Defence; Compulsory Social Security	8.3	4.9	4.1	6.2	7.9	14.2	17.8	22.7	12.7	14.5	14.5
Agriculture	49.2	34.3	29.7	18.5	12.8	10.2	9.3	4.2	30.3	14.0	14.0
Accommodation and Food Service Activities	11.1	14.8	17.1	17.4	15.8	14.3	15.1	11.8	5.6	13.9	13.9
Construction	6.7	9.2	10.6	10.0	13.1	13.1	11.5	8.0	7.3	9.8	9.8
Manufacturing	8.0	8.4	10.6	12.2	11.2	8.7	8.0	7.3	8.0	8.9	8.9
Education	1.5	1.1	2.4	1.8	2.5	3.2	4.5	13.0	5.2	6.7	6.7
Professional, Scientific and Technical Activities	2.2	15.0	3.3	2.9	6.7	7.3	5.7	5.0	3.0	5.6	5.6
Administrative and Support Service Activities	4.7	7.8	6.1	5.3	5.9	6.8	7.7	4.4	3.6	5.5	5.5
Transportation and Storage	2.7	2.7	4.1	2.9	3.9	4.5	4.5	3.9	4.1	3.7	3.7
Information and Communication	7.4	2.1	3.3	2.8	2.1	2.5	2.4	3.8	1.6	3.2	3.2
Financial and Insurance Activities	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.6	1.0	2.3	2.7	5.6	1.6	3.0	3.0
Activities of Households as Employers; Undifferentiated Goods & Service Producing Activities of Households for Own Use	5.2	7.1	5.5	4.8	3.9	2.6	1.2	1.0	1.9	2.9	2.9
Other Service Activities	1.8	2.2	2.3	2.5	2.3	2.1	1.8	2.5	3.7	2.4	2.4
Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	2.1	1.7	1.9	2.2	2.9	3.2	4.2	1.8	1.9	2.3	2.3
Human Health and Social Work Activities	0.7	0.8	1.1	1.0	1.9	2.3	2.5	3.0	0.9	2.1	2.1
Fishing and Aquaculture	6.4	3.5	2.6	2.0	1.3	1.0	0.9	0.7	0.7	1.5	1.5
Water Supply; Sewerage, Waste Management and Remediation Activities	1.3	1.0	0.7	0.8	0.6	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8
Real Estate Activities	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.8	0.6	0.9	0.5	0.6	0.6
Electricity, Gas Steam and Air Condition Supply	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.1	0.3	1.1	0.2	0.6	0.6
Mining and Quarrying	0.2	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.6	0.4	0.7	0.8	0.5	0.5
Activities of Extra-Territorial Organizations and Bodies	0.3	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.3	0.2	1.0	0.4	0.4
Forestry and Logging	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.7	0.2	0.4	0.4
Do Not Know or Not Stated	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Source: Social Security Board

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Table 2.9
Number of Active Insured Persons by Industry and Average Weekly Insurable Earnings,
2017p

Industry	Average Weekly Insurable Earnings										Total
	Under \$70.00	\$70.00 to \$109.99	\$110.00 to \$139.99	\$140.00 to \$179.99	\$180.00 to \$219.99	\$220.00 to \$259.99	\$260.00 to \$299.99	\$300.00 and Over	**	Total	
Total	4,609	6,493	5,735	12,867	12,623	11,008	6,610	43,411	1,327	104,683	
Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair of Motor Vehicles and Motorcycles	600	983	1,100	3,324	2,994	2,207	1,145	3,848	128	16,329	
Public Administration and Defence; Compulsory Social Security	533	975	980	2,272	1,985	1,617	1,025	5,469	78	14,934	
Agriculture	373	231	174	699	983	1,314	1,005	9,160	169	14,108	
Accommodation and Food Service Activities	2,090	2,190	1,653	2,341	1,726	1,135	592	1,727	385	13,839	
Construction	432	549	597	1,537	1,524	1,057	608	3,509	104	9,917	
Manufacturing	283	538	481	1,125	1,364	1,296	723	3,374	86	9,270	
Education	75	117	138	228	405	361	253	5,189	64	6,830	
Professional, Scientific and Technical Activities	245	537	341	688	826	775	449	2,228	61	6,150	
Administrative and Support Service Activities	222	613	232	514	621	690	360	1,809	40	5,101	
Transportation and Storage	143	178	211	398	430	437	289	1,815	56	3,957	
Information and Communication	99	167	388	345	351	341	253	1,724	28	3,696	
Financial and Insurance Activities	30	48	55	98	117	238	140	2,486	24	3,236	
Activities of Households as Employers; Undifferentiated Goods & Service Producing Activities of Households for Own Use	246	404	279	648	478	266	95	402	25	2,843	
Other Service Activities	24	62	75	157	246	260	181	1,363	17	2,385	
Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	77	147	126	341	274	201	128	1,013	44	2,351	
Human Health and Social Work Activities	87	95	68	257	269	276	169	689	24	1,934	
Fishing and Aquaculture	265	218	158	229	164	128	49	242	11	1,464	
Water Supply; Sewerage, Waste Management and Remediation Activities	63	59	45	121	92	136	57	404	10	987	
Real Estate Activities	25	56	28	90	114	132	72	401	10	928	
Electricity, Gas Steam and Air Condition Supply	3	16	6	40	47	50	18	512	5	697	
Mining and Quarrying	30	38	30	60	66	83	23	285	12	627	
Activities of Extra-Territorial Organizations and Bodies	0	4	5	10	18	50	22	324	0	433	
Forestry and Logging	11	12	13	34	62	45	21	93	10	301	
Do Not Know or Not Stated	0	2	0	1	4	5	1	11	0	24	

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Table 2.10
Percentage Distribution of Active Insured Persons by Industry and Average Weekly Insurable Earnings,
2017p

Industry	Average Weekly Insurable Earnings											Total	
	Under \$70.00	\$70.00 to \$109.99	\$110.00 to \$139.99	\$140.00 to \$179.99	\$180.00 to \$219.99	\$220.00 to \$259.99	\$260.00 to \$299.99	\$300.00 and Over	**	Total			
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair of Motor Vehicles and Motorcycles	13.0	15.1	19.2	25.8	23.7	20.0	17.3	8.9	9.6	15.6			
Public Administration and Defence; Compulsory Social Security	11.6	15.0	17.1	17.7	15.7	14.7	15.5	12.6	5.9	14.3			
Agriculture	8.1	3.6	3.0	5.4	7.8	11.9	15.2	21.1	12.7	13.5			
Accommodation and Food Service Activities	45.3	33.7	28.8	18.2	13.7	10.3	9.0	4.0	29.0	13.2			
Construction	9.4	8.5	10.4	11.9	12.1	9.6	9.2	8.1	7.8	9.5			
Manufacturing	6.1	8.3	8.4	8.7	10.8	11.8	10.9	7.8	6.5	8.9			
Education	1.6	1.8	2.4	1.8	3.2	3.3	3.8	12.0	4.8	6.5			
Professional, Scientific and Technical Activities	5.3	8.3	5.9	5.3	6.5	7.0	6.8	5.1	4.6	5.9			
Administrative and Support Service Activities	4.8	9.4	4.0	4.0	4.9	6.3	5.4	4.2	3.0	4.9			
Transportation and Storage	3.1	2.7	3.7	3.1	3.4	4.0	4.4	4.2	4.2	3.8			
Information and Communication	2.1	2.6	6.8	2.7	2.8	3.1	3.8	4.0	2.1	3.5			
Financial and Insurance Activities	0.7	0.7	1.0	0.8	0.9	2.2	2.1	5.7	1.8	3.1			
Activities of Households as Employers; Undifferentiated Goods & Service Producing Activities of Households for Own Use	5.3	6.2	4.9	5.0	3.8	2.4	1.4	0.9	1.9	2.7			
Other Service Activities	0.5	1.0	1.3	1.2	1.9	2.4	2.7	3.1	1.3	2.3			
Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	1.7	2.3	2.2	2.7	2.2	1.8	1.9	2.3	3.3	2.2			
Human Health and Social Work Activities	1.9	1.5	1.2	2.0	2.1	2.5	2.6	1.6	1.8	1.8			
Fishing and Aquaculture	5.7	3.4	2.8	1.8	1.3	1.2	0.7	0.6	0.8	1.4			
Water Supply; Sewerage, Waste Management and Remediation Activities	1.4	0.9	0.8	0.9	0.7	1.2	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.9			
Real Estate Activities	0.5	0.9	0.5	0.7	0.9	1.2	1.1	0.9	0.8	0.9			
Electricity, Gas Steam and Air Condition Supply	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.3	1.2	0.4	0.7			
Mining and Quarrying	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.8	0.3	0.7	0.9	0.6			
Activities of Extra-Territorial Organizations and Bodies	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.5	0.3	0.7	0.0	0.4			
Forestry and Logging	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.8	0.3			
Do Not Know or Not Stated	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0			

Source: Social Security Board

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Table 2.11
Active Insured Persons within the Tourism Industry by Sex and District,
2015

Tourism Industry	District						Total
	Belize	Cayo	Corozal	Orange Walk	Stann Creek	Toledo	
Total	9,193	3,346	1,370	595	3,253	626	18,383
Accommodation for Visitors	4,063	1,668	248	134	2,357	322	8,792
Food and Beverage Serving Activities	2,741	981	343	319	644	87	5,115
Travel Agencies and Other Reservation Services Activities	1,158	197	9	2	48	86	1,500
Sports and Recreational Activities	354	133	767	7	10	0	1,271
Cultural Activities	220	373	0	0	235	2	830
Road Passenger Transport	74	182	108	141	85	150	740
Air Passenger Transport	663	7	0	6	0	0	676
Water Passenger Transport	372	0	6	2	21	2	403
Transport Equipment Rental	259	6	0	2	22	0	289
Female	4,013	1,498	703	321	1,300	196	8,031
Accommodation for Visitors	1,668	653	101	64	847	101	3,434
Food and Beverage Serving Activities	1,644	679	242	252	450	83	3,350
Sports and Recreational Activities	196	90	385	6	5	0	682
Travel Agencies and Other Reservation Services Activities	365	66	1	0	13	24	469
Cultural Activities	107	79	0	0	47	0	233
Air Passenger Transport	166	4	0	5	0	0	175
Water Passenger Transport	100	0	1	2	5	0	108
Transport Equipment Rental	62	1	0	2	2	0	67
Road Passenger Transport	14	14	9	4	6	2	49
Male	5,180	1,848	667	274	1,953	430	10,352
Accommodation for Visitors	2,395	1,015	147	70	1,510	221	5,358
Food and Beverage Serving Activities	1,097	302	101	67	194	4	1,765
Travel Agencies and Other Reservation Services Activities	793	131	8	2	35	62	1,031
Road Passenger Transport	60	168	99	137	79	148	691
Cultural Activities	113	294	0	0	188	2	597
Sports and Recreational Activities	158	43	382	1	5	0	589
Air Passenger Transport	497	3	0	1	0	0	501
Water Passenger Transport	272	0	5	0	16	2	295
Transport Equipment Rental	197	5	0	0	20	0	222

Source: Social Security Board

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Table 2.12
Active Insured Persons within the Tourism Industry by Sex and District,
2016r

Tourism Industry	District						Total
	Belize	Cayo	Corozal	Orange Walk	Stann Creek	Toledo	
Total	9,994	3,479	996	638	3,647	637	19,391
Accommodation for Visitors	4,302	1,638	200	168	2,635	300	9,243
Food and Beverage Serving Activities	3,115	1,084	361	338	712	95	5,705
Road Passenger Transport	99	164	122	117	100	148	750
Water Passenger Transport	331	0	6	0	18	3	358
Air Passenger Transport	743	6	0	0	0	0	749
Transport Equipment Rental	307	8	4	1	23	0	343
Travel Agencies and Other Reservation Services Activities	1,330	194	13	13	274	92	1,916
Cultural Activities	206	388	5	0	188	6	793
Sports and Recreational Activities	381	133	343	10	47	0	914
Female	4,473	1,625	543	370	1,420	217	8,648
Accommodation for Visitors	1,863	656	97	86	892	97	3,691
Food and Beverage Serving Activities	1,839	749	265	271	485	87	3,696
Road Passenger Transport	16	24	9	5	4	3	61
Water Passenger Transport	67	0	1	0	4	0	72
Air Passenger Transport	193	3	0	0	0	0	196
Transport Equipment Rental	73	2	1	1	6	0	83
Travel Agencies and Other Reservation Services Activities	441	65	2	5	91	31	635
Cultural Activities	92	86	3	0	41	0	222
Sports and Recreational Activities	234	79	178	9	18	0	518
Male	5,521	1,854	453	268	2,227	420	10,743
Accommodation for Visitors	2,439	982	103	82	1,743	203	5,552
Food and Beverage Serving Activities	1,276	335	96	67	227	8	2,009
Road Passenger Transport	83	141	113	112	96	145	690
Water Passenger Transport	264	0	5	0	14	3	286
Air Passenger Transport	550	3	0	0	0	0	553
Transport Equipment Rental	234	6	3	0	17	0	260
Travel Agencies and Other Reservation Services Activities	889	129	11	8	183	61	1,281
Cultural Activities	114	302	2	0	147	6	571
Sports and Recreational Activities	147	54	165	1	29	0	396

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Table 2.13
Active Insured Persons within the Tourism Industry by Sex and District,
2017p

Tourism Industry	District						Total
	Belize	Cayo	Corozal	Orange Walk	Stann Creek	Toledo	
Total	10,664	3,243	1,020	654	4,022	583	20,186
Accommodation for Visitors	4,465	1,562	188	176	2,905	282	9,578
Food and Beverage Serving Activities	3,612	1,039	367	341	711	87	6,157
Road Passenger Transport	117	151	107	127	96	144	742
Water Passenger Transport	328	0	5	0	20	3	356
Air Passenger Transport	750	6	0	0	1	0	757
Transport Equipment Rental	321	8	4	1	25	0	359
Travel Agencies and Other Reservation Services Activities	1,407	96	25	13	451	73	2,065
Cultural Activities	172	392	57	0	80	7	708
Sports and Recreational Activities	419	135	327	13	36	0	930
Female	4,709	1,462	548	379	1,542	196	8,836
Accommodation for Visitors	1,922	590	89	80	1,003	99	3,783
Food and Beverage Serving Activities	2,044	710	279	280	484	70	3,867
Road Passenger Transport	20	17	10	8	4	4	63
Water Passenger Transport	65	0	1	0	4	0	70
Air Passenger Transport	185	3	0	0	1	0	189
Transport Equipment Rental	79	1	1	1	2	0	84
Travel Agencies and Other Reservation Services Activities	478	34	8	7	102	26	655
Cultural Activities	79	89	20	0	32	1	221
Sports and Recreational Activities	254	74	163	11	17	0	519
Male	5,955	1,781	472	275	2,480	387	11,350
Accommodation for Visitors	2,543	972	99	96	1,902	183	5,795
Food and Beverage Serving Activities	1,568	329	88	61	227	17	2,290
Road Passenger Transport	97	134	97	119	92	140	679
Water Passenger Transport	263	0	4	0	16	3	286
Air Passenger Transport	565	3	0	0	0	0	568
Transport Equipment Rental	242	7	3	0	23	0	275
Travel Agencies and Other Reservation Services Activities	929	62	17	6	349	47	1,410
Cultural Activities	93	303	37	0	48	6	487
Sports and Recreational Activities	165	61	164	2	19	0	411

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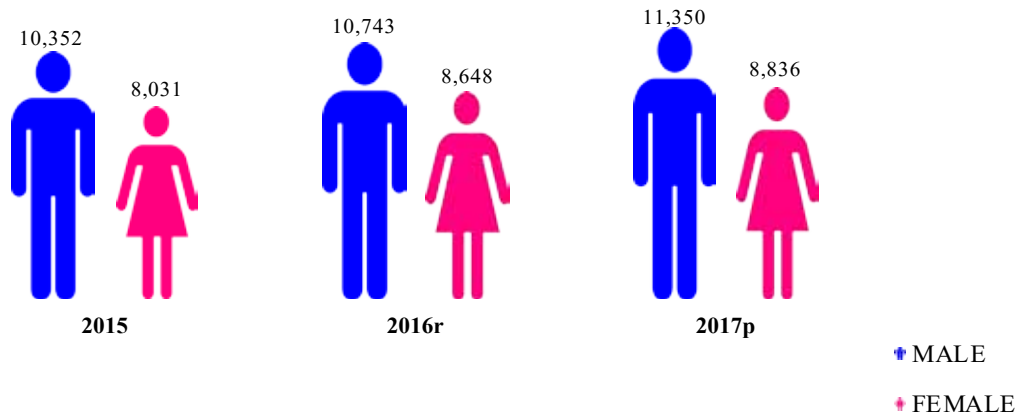
Table 2.14
Active Insured Persons within the Tourism Industry by Employment Area, Nationality and Sex,
2015 - 2017

Employment Area	2015			2016r			2017p		
	Nationality			Nationality			Nationality		
	Total	Belizean	Non-Belizean	Total	Belizean	Non-Belizean	Total	Belizean	Non-Belizean
Total	18,383	16,982	1,401	19,391	17,948	1,443	20,186	18,675	1,511
Corozal	1,372	1,311	61	1,029	985	44	1,027	981	46
Orange Walk	591	566	25	688	658	30	687	650	37
Belize	4,589	4,252	337	4,986	4,670	316	5,378	5,031	347
Caye Caulker	566	520	46	697	637	60	744	674	70
Ambergris Caye	4,108	3,724	384	4,154	3,773	381	4,456	4,076	380
Cayo	3,199	2,975	224	3,373	3,143	230	3,153	2,945	208
Stann Creek	1,630	1,499	131	1,593	1,457	136	1,848	1,703	145
Placencia	1,399	1,263	136	1,826	1,633	193	1,935	1,710	225
Toledo	642	606	36	823	782	41	756	717	39
Other Island	287	266	21	222	210	12	202	188	14
Female	8,031	7,409	622	8,648	7,997	651	8,836	8,191	645
Corozal	704	679	25	553	536	17	552	533	19
Orange Walk	319	306	13	388	374	14	388	370	18
Belize	2,163	2,017	146	2,413	2,278	135	2,577	2,442	135
Caye Caulker	334	308	26	393	359	34	417	379	38
Ambergris Caye	1,534	1,359	175	1,635	1,454	181	1,694	1,520	174
Cayo	1,452	1,347	105	1,586	1,475	111	1,439	1,337	102
Stann Creek	729	660	69	667	595	72	720	654	66
Placencia	506	456	50	608	540	68	692	613	79
Toledo	197	188	9	324	308	16	289	278	11
Other Island	93	89	4	81	78	3	68	65	3
Male	10,352	9,573	779	10,743	9,951	792	11,350	10,484	866
Corozal	668	632	36	476	449	27	475	448	27
Orange Walk	272	260	12	300	284	16	299	280	19
Belize	2,426	2,235	191	2,573	2,392	181	2,801	2,589	212
Caye Caulker	232	212	20	304	278	26	327	295	32
Ambergris Caye	2,574	2,365	209	2,519	2,319	200	2,762	2,556	206
Cayo	1,747	1,628	119	1,787	1,668	119	1,714	1,608	106
Stann Creek	901	839	62	926	862	64	1,128	1,049	79
Placencia	893	807	86	1,218	1,093	125	1,243	1,097	146
Toledo	445	418	27	499	474	25	467	439	28
Other Island	194	177	17	141	132	9	134	123	11

Source: Social Security Board

Tourism Category is based on United Nations World Tourism Organization classification

Chart 5
Active Insured Persons in the Tourism Industry,
2015 - 2017



Source: Social Security Board

Table 2.15
Active Contributing Employers by District,
2013 - 2017

District	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total	9,687	10,589	10,949	11,226	11,231
Corozal	2,387	2,723	2,758	2,626	2,609
Orange Walk	1,336	1,425	1,456	1,528	1,435
Belize	2,795	3,003	3,122	3,362	3,476
Cayo	1,870	2,021	2,101	2,149	2,151
Stann Creek	976	987	1,141	1,157	1,181
Toledo	323	430	371	404	379

Source: Social Security Board

Table 2.16
Active Businesses by Industry,
2013 - 2017

Industry	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total	10,652	11,404	11,735	12,133	12,141
Agriculture	2,506	2,815	2,830	2,699	2,584
Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair of Motor Vehicles and Motorcycles	1,607	1,663	1,663	1,787	1,888
Activities of Households as Employers; Undifferentiated Goods & Service Producing Activities of Households for Own Use	1,449	1,542	1,636	1,740	1,671
Accommodation and Food Service Activities	1,236	1,275	1,326	1,467	1,509
Construction	675	761	831	908	872
Manufacturing	577	642	618	650	647
Administrative and Support Service Activities	375	367	386	450	529
Other Service Activities	311	360	385	387	372
Transportation and Storage	345	334	318	342	347
Professional, Scientific and Technical Activities	253	325	327	330	347
Public Administration and Defence; Compulsory Social Security	323	344	352	327	326
Education	200	194	201	209	201
Human Health and Social Work Activities	172	149	160	178	198
Financial and Insurance Activities	114	112	118	118	119
Information and Communication	112	108	115	121	118
Real Estate Activities	68	72	81	82	96
Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	86	98	99	91	93
Water Supply; Sewerage, Waste Management and Remediation Activities	69	63	65	69	74
Fishing and Aquaculture	35	36	36	42	41
Forestry and Logging	35	44	53	51	37
Mining and Quarrying	39	36	39	34	29
Activities of Extra-Territorial Organizations and Bodies	19	21	69	20	19
Electricity, Gas, Steam and Air Condition Supply	10	13	15	18	17
Do Not Know or Not Stated	36	30	12	13	7

Source: Social Security Board

Note: Classification of Industry as per International Standard Industrial Classification of Economic Activities Revision 4.

Table 2.17
Active Businesses and its Percentage Distribution by District,
2013 - 2017

District	Year									
	2013		2014		2015		2016r		2017p	
	Quantity	%	Quantity	%	Quantity	%	Quantity	%	Quantity	%
Total	10,652	100.0	11,404	100.0	11,735	100.0	12,133	100.0	12,141	100.0
Corozal	2,512	23.6	2,820	24.7	2,836	24.2	2,770	22.8	2,758	22.7
Orange Walk	1,433	13.5	1,520	13.3	1,545	13.2	1,605	13.2	1,507	12.4
Belize	2,980	28.0	3,189	28.0	3,237	27.6	3,561	29.3	3,694	30.4
Cayo	2,319	21.8	2,341	20.5	2,515	21.4	2,469	20.3	2,456	20.2
Stann Creek	1,051	9.9	1,064	9.3	1,214	10.3	1,201	9.9	1,219	10.0
Toledo	357	3.4	470	4.1	388	3.3	527	4.3	507	4.2

Source: Social Security Board

Table 2.18
Active Businesses by Number of Employees and Business Type,
2013 - 2017

Business Type	Number of Employees	Year									
		2013		2014		2015		2016r		2017p	
		Quantity	%	Quantity	%	Quantity	%	Quantity	%	Quantity	%
Total		10,652	100.0	11,404	100.0	11,735	100.0	12,133	100.0	12,141	100.0
Micro	1 to 5	6,873	64.5	7,175	62.9	7,299	62.2	7,720	63.6	7,811	64.3
Small	6 to 20	2,795	26.2	3,158	27.7	3,319	28.3	3,293	27.1	3,218	26.5
Medium	21 to 99	796	7.5	874	7.7	909	7.7	908	7.5	899	7.4
Large	100 +	188	1.8	197	1.7	208	1.8	212	1.7	213	1.8

Source: Social Security Board

BENEFITS

This section presents information on social security benefits, Non-Contributory Pension (NCP), and appeals. The primary source of benefits data is the Social Security Board's (SSB) databases. Data on the Mid-Year Population Estimates are obtained from the SIB.

Social Security Coverage – includes employed persons aged 14 to 64 years, including public officers and self-employed persons. Persons aged 65 or older who engage in insurable employment are only covered for work injury benefits as of May 7, 1988 and a reduced contribution of BZ\$2.60 weekly is paid only by the Employer. Not covered are persons engaged in casual labour, persons employed for less than eight (8) hours in a contribution week, and military personnel. Coverage was later expanded to include the Self-Employed and Non-Contributory Pensioners.

Unemployed persons who have met the requirements for voluntary coverage are only covered for Retirement, Survivors' Benefits and Funeral Grant due to natural causes.

Legal Services, SSB, oversees the logistical arrangement for all appeals to be heard and further manages the process for appellants to be duly informed of decisions of the tribunal hearing.

Table 3.1
Benefits Expenditure by Branch/Benefit,
2013 - 2017
(BZ\$)

Branch/Benefit	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total	\$64,667,938	\$69,267,061	\$77,192,346	\$79,986,561	\$86,324,696
Short Term	\$11,540,640	\$11,987,281	\$13,195,481	\$12,843,089	\$15,232,967
Sickness	\$7,232,485	\$7,882,005	\$8,674,700	\$8,619,821	\$10,656,948
Maternity Allowance	\$3,341,735	\$3,145,796	\$3,516,484	\$3,268,705	\$3,604,593
Maternity Grant	\$966,420	\$959,480	\$1,004,297	\$954,563	\$971,426
Long Term	\$34,003,133	\$36,366,577	\$39,686,805	\$45,082,437	\$49,859,411
Retirement	\$21,268,516	\$23,837,687	\$26,607,593	\$31,085,207	\$35,453,108
Survivors	\$5,138,197	\$5,329,184	\$5,597,329	\$6,781,936	\$7,159,864
Invalidity	\$3,106,031	\$3,071,765	\$3,509,176	\$3,448,671	\$3,588,154
Funeral Grant (NC)	\$1,086,396	\$1,094,529	\$1,218,468	\$1,261,720	\$1,360,915
Non-Contributory Pensions	\$3,403,993	\$3,033,412	\$2,754,239	\$2,504,903	\$2,297,370
Employment Injury	\$4,232,463	\$4,647,877	\$4,283,748	\$3,813,426	\$3,308,764
Injury Benefit	\$2,319,316	\$3,098,317	\$2,517,866	\$2,569,830	\$2,468,525
Disablement Grant	\$431,925	\$583,854	\$496,042	\$551,055	\$518,250
Funeral Grant (EI)	\$6,700	\$2,833	\$4,500	\$1,500	\$1,500
APV Disablement and Death	\$1,474,522	\$962,873	\$1,265,340	\$691,041	\$320,489
Disablement and Death Pension	\$2,082,778	\$1,966,216	\$2,089,371	\$2,106,544	\$2,100,889
National Health Insurance	\$12,808,924	\$14,299,110	\$17,936,941	\$16,141,065	\$15,822,665

Source: Social Security Board

Notes: National Health Insurance Expenditure refers to all payments made to Primary Care Providers.

NC - Natural Causes

EI - Employment Injury

APV - Actuarial Present Value

Table 3.2
New Claims Allowed by Branch/Benefit,
2013 - 2017

Branch/Benefit	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total	36,297	37,729	40,087	40,075	48,711
Short Term	32,220	33,400	35,543	35,360	44,082
Sickness	27,754	28,973	30,929	30,926	39,546
Maternity Allowance	1,254	1,240	1,285	1,268	1,341
Maternity Grant	3,212	3,187	3,329	3,166	3,195
Long Term	1,980	2,061	2,333	2,579	2,684
Retirement	767	830	981	1,118	1,181
Survivors	277	300	110	111	390
Invalidity	102	100	323	420	108
Funeral Grant (NC)	834	831	919	930	1,005
Employment Injury	2,097	2,268	2,211	2,136	1,945
Injury	1,805	1,888	1,922	1,842	1,785
Disablement	286	365	278	286	147
Death Benefit	5	12	8	7	12
Funeral Grant (EI)	1	3	3	1	1

Source: Social Security Board

Notes: Retirement, Survivors', Invalidity, Disablement and Death Benefits include those that have received either a pension or a grant.

The large increase of 8,636 (or 21.5%) New Benefit Claims Allowed observed from 2016 to 2017 was principally due to outbreak of Conjunctivitis (Pink Eye) that occurred in September to November of 2017.

NC - Natural Causes

EI - Employment Injury

Table 3.3
Benefit Recipients by Branch/Benefit,
2013 - 2017

Branch/Benefit	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total	38,872	39,925	42,123	42,338	48,622
Short Term	24,427	25,228	26,814	26,630	32,355
Sickness	19,961	20,815	22,216	22,213	27,831
Maternity Allowance	1,254	1,240	1,277	1,258	1,335
Maternity Grant	3,212	3,173	3,321	3,159	3,189
Long Term	11,831	11,976	12,574	13,039	13,682
Retirement	4,872	5,180	5,673	6,228	6,786
Survivors	2,597	2,793	3,061	3,190	3,442
Invalidity	417	399	413	418	428
Funeral Grant (NC)	830	827	914	929	1,008
Non-Contributory Pensions	3,115	2,777	2,513	2,274	2,018
Employment Injury	2,614	2,721	2,735	2,669	2,585
Injury	1,732	1,828	1,868	1,794	1,728
Disablement	576	596	586	608	598
Death Benefit	305	294	278	266	258
Funeral Grant (EI)	1	3	3	1	1

Source: Social Security Board

Notes: Retirement, Survivors', Invalidity, Disablement and Death Benefits include those that have received either a pension or a grant.

The large increase of 5,618 (or 25.3%) New Sickness Benefit Recipients observed from 2016 to 2017 was largely due to outbreak of Conjunctivitis (Pink Eye) that occurred in September to November of 2017.

NC - Natural Causes

EI - Employment Injury

Table 3.4
Total Number of Sickness Benefit Days Claimed within each Sickness Benefit Days Group,
2013 - 2017

Sickness Benefit Days Group	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total	252,785	271,346	289,466	286,461	335,939
1	1,866	1,827	2,021	2,050	2,303
2	9,458	9,452	9,702	10,472	10,734
3	16,263	16,548	17,688	17,211	19,053
4 - 7	47,932	50,767	54,017	53,817	82,016
8 - 14	35,481	38,472	42,013	40,273	61,072
15 - 21	19,935	22,461	24,000	20,924	24,723
22 - 28	10,536	12,088	12,678	12,238	13,013
29 - 35	14,482	14,013	16,967	17,117	16,910
36 - 42	8,131	8,002	9,072	8,866	9,388
43 - 49	8,287	9,064	9,425	7,893	8,706
50 - 56	5,141	5,982	6,434	6,782	6,561
57 - 63	7,623	9,040	9,066	9,201	9,184
64 - 70	4,364	5,877	5,449	7,175	6,493
71 - 77	3,873	4,127	4,018	5,906	5,393
78 - 84	4,293	3,793	3,237	3,865	4,508
85 - 91	4,496	4,795	4,325	4,337	4,332
92 - 98	4,721	4,358	5,014	5,192	4,535
99 - 105	2,656	2,567	3,646	2,552	2,452
106 - 112	2,838	3,143	2,717	2,606	2,058
113 - 119	1,277	1,510	1,275	2,322	2,659
120 - 126	2,338	2,588	2,707	3,315	3,040
127 - 133	1,820	1,429	1,945	2,607	3,776
134 - 140	1,500	1,787	1,775	2,051	2,334
141 - 147	1,011	2,026	1,438	1,737	1,301
148 - 156	1,386	1,975	3,052	1,522	1,997
157 - 234	31,077	33,655	35,785	34,430	27,398

Source: Social Security Board

Note: The large increase of 49,478 (or 17.3%) Sickness Benefit Days Claimed observed from 2016 to 2017 was mainly due to outbreak of Conjunctivitis (Pink Eye) that occurred in September to November of 2017.

Table 3.5
Mean Benefit Payment by Sickness Benefit Days Group,
2013 - 2017
(BZ\$)

Sickness Benefit Days Group	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
1	\$31	\$32	\$31	\$32	\$32
2	\$60	\$62	\$62	\$63	\$64
3	\$88	\$91	\$92	\$94	\$95
4 - 7	\$152	\$156	\$158	\$161	\$162
8 - 14	\$295	\$304	\$305	\$312	\$310
15 - 21	\$491	\$498	\$506	\$532	\$532
22 - 28	\$692	\$725	\$726	\$750	\$761
29 - 35	\$902	\$921	\$929	\$979	\$989
36 - 42	\$1,124	\$1,153	\$1,167	\$1,156	\$1,186
43 - 49	\$1,298	\$1,377	\$1,384	\$1,435	\$1,463
50 - 56	\$1,474	\$1,596	\$1,591	\$1,639	\$1,621
57 - 63	\$1,723	\$1,862	\$1,736	\$1,826	\$1,881
64 - 70	\$1,877	\$1,932	\$2,042	\$2,027	\$2,173
71 - 77	\$2,147	\$2,269	\$2,237	\$2,358	\$2,245
78 - 84	\$2,225	\$2,360	\$2,435	\$2,349	\$2,483
85 - 91	\$2,434	\$2,631	\$2,692	\$2,662	\$2,687
92 - 98	\$2,668	\$2,689	\$2,756	\$2,871	\$2,892
99 - 105	\$2,981	\$2,872	\$3,028	\$3,303	\$3,041
106 - 112	\$2,975	\$3,206	\$2,982	\$3,032	\$3,464
113 - 119	\$3,233	\$3,176	\$3,336	\$3,571	\$3,766
120 - 126	\$3,472	\$3,462	\$3,473	\$3,622	\$3,860
127 - 133	\$3,777	\$3,315	\$3,735	\$4,069	\$4,117
134 - 140	\$3,859	\$3,890	\$3,611	\$4,575	\$4,346
141 - 147	\$4,321	\$4,379	\$4,554	\$4,750	\$4,232
148 - 156	\$4,480	\$4,324	\$4,584	\$4,440	\$3,790
157 - 234	\$5,637	\$5,812	\$6,153	\$5,934	\$5,831
Mean Payment (BZ\$)	\$263	\$270	\$271	\$283	\$263

Source: Social Security Board

Note: Mean payment refers to the average cost per allowed claim.

Table 3.6
Sickness Benefit by Selected Characteristics,
2013 - 2017

Selected Characteristics	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Number of Claims Processed	31,039	32,445	34,577	34,703	44,217
Age Group					
14 - 19	890	927	1,156	1,005	1,259
20 - 24	5,131	5,195	5,578	5,659	7,071
25 - 29	6,349	6,603	7,070	7,011	8,945
30 - 34	5,328	5,562	5,940	5,960	7,768
35 - 39	4,300	4,504	4,786	4,611	6,082
40 - 44	3,366	3,644	3,656	3,737	4,752
45 - 49	2,592	2,736	2,848	3,016	3,731
50 - 54	1,898	1,994	2,111	2,133	2,668
55 - 64	1,185	1,280	1,432	1,571	1,941
Average Days Claimed	10	10	10	9	8
Age Group					
14 - 19	10	8	8	9	6
20 - 24	8	8	7	7	7
25 - 29	8	9	8	7	7
30 - 34	9	9	9	9	8
35 - 39	10	10	9	9	8
40 - 44	11	11	10	9	9
45 - 49	13	13	11	9	10
50 - 54	13	14	13	12	11
55 - 64	17	15	14	13	12
Sex	31,039	32,445	34,577	34,703	44,217
Male	16,383	16,995	17,937	17,658	23,028
Female	14,656	15,450	16,640	17,045	21,189

Source: Social Security Board

Notes: Mean payment refers to the average cost per allowed claim.

The large increase of 9,514 (or 27.4%) Sickness Benefit Claims Processed observed from 2016 to 2017 was primarily due to outbreak of Conjunctivitis (Pink Eye) that occurred in September to November of 2017.

Table 3.7
Sickness Benefit Claims Paid by Industry,
2013 - 2017

Industry	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total	27,754	28,973	30,929	30,926	39,546
Public Administration and Defence; Compulsory Social Security	6,367	6,834	7,102	7,726	10,310
Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair of Motor Vehicles and Motorcycles	3,160	3,330	3,363	3,319	4,577
Accommodation and Food Service Activities	1,931	2,224	2,341	2,355	3,212
Manufacturing	2,134	2,172	2,467	2,384	3,083
Education	1,399	1,394	1,489	1,595	2,165
Information and Communication	1,030	1,083	1,344	1,696	1,990
Financial and Insurance Activities	1,300	1,477	1,400	1,506	1,829
Administrative and Support Service Activities	904	976	1,170	1,233	1,782
Agriculture	2,280	1,976	2,050	1,410	1,737
Human Health and Social Work Activities	1,222	1,239	1,358	1,393	1,630
Construction	950	1,019	881	898	1,359
Professional, Scientific and Technical Activities	1,316	1,248	1,685	1,566	1,325
Transportation and Storage	763	833	908	889	1,176
Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	978	972	976	866	772
Activities of Households as Employers; Undifferentiated Goods & Service Producing Activities of Households for Own Use	383	334	377	425	568
Other Service Activities	304	340	393	466	505
Water Supply; Sewerage, Waste Management and Remediation Activities	434	423	295	262	366
Electricity, Gas, Steam and Air Condition Supply	279	280	276	271	323
Activities of Extra-Territorial Organizations and Bodies	124	146	184	174	242
Fishing and Aquaculture	291	378	561	197	239
Real Estate Activities	56	60	92	118	145
Mining and Quarrying	118	198	164	120	144
Forestry and Logging	24	30	47	51	63
Do Not Know or Not Stated	7	7	6	6	4

Source: Social Security Board

Notes: Classification of Industry as per International Standard Industrial Classification of Economic Activities Revision 4.

The large increase of 8,620 (or 27.9%) Sickness Benefit Claims observed from 2016 to 2017 was chiefly due to outbreak of Conjunctivitis (Pink Eye) that occurred in September to November of 2017.

Table 3.8
Maternity Allowance by Selected Characteristics,
2013 - 2017

Selected Characteristics	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Claims Allowed	1,254	1,240	1,285	1,271	1,341
Age Group					
14 - 19	46	38	34	33	36
20 - 24	324	290	321	336	345
25 - 29	416	428	458	430	429
30 - 34	294	297	302	292	355
35 - 39	143	164	138	145	155
40 - 44	29	22	31	32	19
45 - 64	2	1	1	3	2
Weeks Claimed					
< 14 Weeks	100	80	69	57	68
14 Weeks	1,154	1,160	1,216	1,214	1,273
Mean Payment (BZ\$)	\$2,591	\$2,604	\$2,686	\$2,591	\$2,746
Age Group					
14 - 19	\$1,821	\$2,052	\$1,919	\$1,908	\$1,909
20 - 24	\$2,367	\$2,348	\$2,425	\$2,370	\$2,506
25 - 29	\$2,598	\$2,630	\$2,788	\$2,625	\$2,811
30 - 34	\$2,938	\$2,822	\$2,867	\$2,820	\$2,898
35 - 39	\$2,618	\$2,718	\$2,687	\$2,684	\$2,934
40 - 44	\$2,575	\$2,584	\$3,019	\$2,667	\$2,899
45 - 64	\$2,761	\$3,584	\$1,008	\$2,309	\$2,274

Source: Social Security Board

Note: Mean payment refers to the average cost per allowed claim.

Table 3.9
Maternity Grants Paid by Age Group and Sex,
2013 - 2017

Age Group	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total	3,212	3,187	3,329	3,168	3,195
14 - 19	108	78	85	68	87
20 - 24	816	710	804	820	793
25 - 29	991	1,002	1,079	970	1,003
30 - 34	640	725	696	699	734
35 - 39	381	420	399	372	375
40 - 44	164	150	166	140	122
45 - 49	73	57	53	57	47
50 - 54	29	30	23	33	24
55 - 59	7	13	18	8	10
60+	3	2	6	1	0
Male*	1,900	1,904	1,959	1,849	1,812
14 - 19	61	45	50	36	50
20 - 24	486	415	461	479	439
25 - 29	545	559	594	530	561
30 - 34	335	416	378	383	368
35 - 39	230	245	246	220	216
40 - 44	133	124	131	105	99
45 - 49	71	55	52	54	45
50 - 54	29	30	23	33	24
55 - 59	7	13	18	8	10
60+	3	2	6	1	0
Female	1,312	1,283	1,370	1,319	1,383
14 - 19	47	33	35	32	37
20 - 24	330	295	343	341	354
25 - 29	446	443	485	440	442
30 - 34	305	309	318	316	366
35 - 39	151	175	153	152	159
40 - 44	31	26	35	35	23
45 - 49	2	2	1	3	2
50 - 54	0	0	0	0	0
55 - 59	0	0	0	0	0
60+	0	0	0	0	0

Source: Social Security Board

Note: *Maternity grants are payable to male insured persons who present proof of paternity. A grant is not paid to fathers in respect of a child for whom an insured mother has claimed.

Table 3.10
Pensions by Recipients at Year End and Expenditure,
2013 - 2017

Pension	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total Recipient	11,079	11,214	11,507	12,035	12,219
Contributory Pensioners	7,964	8,437	8,994	9,761	10,376
Retirement	4,544	4,855	5,285	5,797	6,312
Invalidity	349	357	353	376	377
Survivors'	2,310	2,472	2,614	2,853	2,987
Disablement	456	459	464	469	442
Death	305	294	278	266	258
Non-Contributory Pensioners	3,115	2,777	2,513	2,274	1,843
Total Expenditure (BZ\$)	\$32,248,041	\$34,653,735	\$37,675,512	\$42,652,368	\$47,783,344
Contributory Pensioners	\$28,844,048	\$31,620,322	\$34,921,273	\$40,147,464	\$45,485,974
Retirement	\$20,263,948	\$22,676,899	\$25,314,254	\$29,596,788	\$33,949,399
Invalidity	\$2,113,415	\$2,264,620	\$2,633,990	\$2,857,094	\$3,185,565
Survivors'	\$4,383,904	\$4,712,587	\$4,883,658	\$5,587,038	\$6,250,121
Disablement	\$1,385,697	\$1,315,631	\$1,356,723	\$1,442,446	\$1,453,451
Death	\$697,083	\$650,585	\$732,647	\$664,098	\$647,438
Non-Contributory Pensioners	\$3,403,993	\$3,033,412	\$2,754,239	\$2,504,904	\$2,297,370

Source: Social Security Board

Table 3.11
Retirement Pensions Awarded During the Year by Age, Sex and Mean Annual Payment,
2013 - 2017

Age	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total	467	491	591	645	695
60	181	208	274	276	300
61	108	71	97	114	122
62	33	47	45	59	52
63	22	26	32	31	39
64	17	14	19	18	31
65	64	92	89	108	106
66	30	23	27	26	30
67	3	7	2	7	6
68	1	3	2	2	4
69+	8	0	4	4	5
Male	308	333	354	415	439
60	118	127	141	163	176
61	64	51	60	75	73
62	24	35	27	36	30
63	14	18	20	23	28
64	9	7	16	15	19
65	51	71	64	78	78
66	22	19	20	15	23
67	1	3	2	5	5
68	0	2	2	2	4
69+	5	0	2	3	3
Female	159	158	237	230	256
60	63	81	133	113	124
61	44	20	37	39	49
62	9	12	18	23	22
63	8	8	12	8	11
64	8	7	3	3	12
65	13	21	25	30	28
66	8	4	7	11	7
67	2	4	0	2	1
68	1	1	0	0	0
69+	3	0	2	1	2
Mean Annual Payment (BZ\$)					
Total	\$5,799	\$5,961	\$5,928	\$6,398	\$6,516
Male	\$5,651	\$5,810	\$5,976	\$6,283	\$6,445
Female	\$6,085	\$6,287	\$5,859	\$6,604	\$6,639

Source: Social Security Board

Note: Mean annual payment refers to the average annual cost per allowed claim.

Table 3.12
Retirement Grants Awarded by Age, Sex and Mean Payment,
2013 - 2017

Age	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total	268	325	415	431	458
60	114	121	144	173	122
61	25	38	51	68	76
62	23	24	37	35	46
63	16	22	23	24	35
64	13	27	38	21	31
65	31	52	64	41	52
66	15	9	20	27	36
67	9	11	13	16	21
68	6	7	3	9	12
69+	16	14	22	17	27
Male	174	205	274	270	287
60	71	80	93	96	65
61	11	23	26	43	44
62	15	17	19	22	31
63	10	14	18	12	21
64	9	16	26	16	17
65	24	25	48	28	41
66	9	3	13	21	27
67	7	7	12	14	15
68	5	7	2	7	7
69+	13	13	17	11	19
Female	94	120	141	161	171
60	43	41	51	77	57
61	14	15	25	25	32
62	8	7	18	13	15
63	6	8	5	12	14
64	4	11	12	5	14
65	7	27	16	13	11
66	6	6	7	6	9
67	2	4	1	2	6
68	1	0	1	2	5
69+	3	1	5	6	8
Mean Payment (BZS)					
Total	\$3,592	\$3,555	\$3,348	\$3,430	\$3,150
Male	\$3,708	\$3,966	\$3,624	\$3,568	\$3,315
Female	\$3,375	\$2,870	\$2,798	\$3,198	\$2,875

Source: Social Security Board

Note: Mean payment refers to the average cost per allowed claim.

Table 3.13
'Invalidity Pensioners at Year End by Age Group and Sex,
2013 - 2017

Age Group	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total	336	347	353	376	377
< 20	0	0	0	0	0
20 - 24	1	0	0	0	0
25 - 29	1	0	1	0	1
30 - 34	4	4	5	6	8
35 - 39	19	18	18	19	13
40 - 44	40	35	40	35	37
45 - 49	68	74	67	67	62
50 - 54	89	95	103	112	124
55 - 59	114	121	119	137	132
60 - 64	0	0	0	0	0
65+	0	0	0	0	0
Male	182	188	196	209	203
< 20	0	0	0	0	0
20 - 24	1	0	0	0	0
25 - 29	0	0	1	0	1
30 - 34	4	3	2	3	5
35 - 39	12	11	14	15	10
40 - 44	24	24	23	22	24
45 - 49	35	43	36	35	29
50 - 54	45	45	58	60	64
55 - 59	61	62	62	74	70
60 - 64	0	0	0	0	0
65+	0	0	0	0	0
Female	154	159	157	167	174
< 20	0	0	0	0	0
20 - 24	0	0	0	0	0
25 - 29	1	0	0	0	0
30 - 34	0	1	3	3	3
35 - 39	7	7	4	4	3
40 - 44	16	11	17	13	13
45 - 49	33	31	31	32	33
50 - 54	44	50	45	52	60
55 - 59	53	59	57	63	62
60 - 64	0	0	0	0	0
65+	0	0	0	0	0

Source: Social Security Board

Note: 'Includes all persons declared by a medical board as permanently "incapable to work" as a result from a specific disease or bodily or mental disablement and are receiving a Social Security Invalidity Pension.

Table 3.14
¹Spouses Receiving Survivors' Pension at Year End by Sex and Mean Annual Payment,
2013 - 2017

Selected Characteristics	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Sex					
Total	1,090	1,175	1,234	1,325	1,384
Male	19	22	18	16	13
Female	1,071	1,153	1,216	1,309	1,371
Mean Annual Payment (BZ\$)	\$2,877	\$2,976	\$3,060	\$3,275	\$3,420

Source: Social Security Board

Notes: Mean annual payment refers to the average annual cost per allowed claim.

¹Includes all persons classified as spouses in receipt of a Social Security Survivors' Pension.

Table 3.15
Children Awarded Survivors' Pension During the Year by Age Group,
Sex and Mean Annual Payment,
2013 - 2017

Age Group	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total	211	192	172	202	180
00 - 04	38	30	28	40	24
05 - 09	53	37	44	56	43
10 - 14	53	62	46	69	63
15 - 16	21	33	22	20	24
17 - 21	37	29	25	14	23
22+	9	1	7	3	3
Male	121	103	77	101	86
00 - 04	24	14	14	18	12
05 - 09	36	16	19	36	24
10 - 14	31	33	19	30	31
15 - 16	9	25	12	8	7
17 - 21	19	14	9	6	9
22+	2	1	4	3	3
Female	90	89	95	101	94
00 - 04	14	16	14	22	12
05 - 09	17	21	25	20	19
10 - 14	22	29	27	39	32
15 - 16	12	8	10	12	17
17 - 21	18	15	16	8	14
22+	7	0	3	0	0
Mean Annual Payment (BZ\$)	\$1,754	\$1,761	\$1,776	\$1,773	\$1,780

Source: Social Security Board

Note: Mean annual payment refers to the average annual cost per allowed claim.

Table 3.16
'Children Receiving Survivors' Pension at Year End
by Age Group, Sex and Mean Annual Payment,
2013 - 2017

Age Group	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016 ^r	2017 ^p
Total	1,350	1,400	1,381	1,464	1,541
00 - 04	80	75	67	87	86
05 - 09	260	246	250	264	280
10 - 14	458	474	469	508	510
15 - 16	226	246	238	251	262
17 - 21	232	264	259	309	364
22+	94	95	98	45	39
Male	676	711	696	744	786
00 - 04	48	38	32	41	44
05 - 09	145	138	137	150	154
10 - 14	230	244	233	250	259
15 - 16	109	126	135	130	114
17 - 21	106	123	115	147	191
22+	38	42	44	26	24
Female	674	689	685	720	755
00 - 04	32	37	35	46	42
05 - 09	115	108	113	114	126
10 - 14	228	230	236	258	251
15 - 16	117	120	103	121	148
17 - 21	126	141	144	162	173
22+	56	53	54	19	15
Mean Annual Payment (BZ\$)	\$1,463	\$1,513	\$1,548	\$1,591	\$1,651

Source: Social Security Board

Notes: Mean annual payment refers to the average annual cost per orphan.

¹Includes all persons classified as dependent children as per Act in receipt of a Social Security Survivors' Benefit.

Table 3.17
'DIP by Number of Surviving Orphans and Year,
2013 - 2017

Number of Orphans	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total	211	192	172	202	180
1	35	11	38	41	36
2	42	31	64	60	36
3	45	45	27	42	48
4	36	42	24	32	32
5	35	33	0	15	15
6	18	15	12	12	6
7+	0	15	7	0	7

Source: Social Security Board

Note: 'Dead Insured Persons who met the requirements to receive a Retirement or Invalidation Pension.

Table 3.18
'DIP by Number of Surviving Spouses and Parents, Sex and Year,
2013 - 2017

Sex	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total Spouses	109	135	125	153	134
Male	1	2	0	0	0
Female	108	133	125	153	134
Total Parents	9	7	13	7	2
1	9	5	12	7	2
2	0	2	1	0	0
Male	2	3	6	2	1
1	2	2	5	2	1
2	0	1	1	0	0
Female	7	4	7	5	1
1	7	3	7	5	1
2	0	1	0	0	0

Source: Social Security Board

Note: 'Dead Insured Persons who met the requirements to receive a Retirement or Invalidation Pension.

Table 3.19
Survivors' Grants Awarded to Beneficiaries by
Age Group, Sex and Mean Payment,
2013 - 2017

Age Group	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total	264	320	318	337	312
<20	177	205	196	192	188
20 - 29	19	17	26	24	21
30 - 39	23	34	34	36	31
40 - 49	26	30	23	39	38
50 - 59	12	26	19	33	25
60+	7	8	20	13	9
Male	97	118	121	124	118
<20	89	104	107	102	97
20 - 29	5	1	4	4	3
30 - 39	1	2	2	7	5
40 - 49	0	5	2	5	8
50 - 59	1	3	4	4	4
60+	1	3	2	2	1
Female	167	202	197	213	194
<20	88	101	89	90	91
20 - 29	14	16	22	20	18
30 - 39	22	32	32	29	26
40 - 49	26	25	21	34	30
50 - 59	11	23	15	29	21
60+	6	5	18	11	8
Mean Payment (BZ\$)	\$5,354	\$4,277	\$5,403	\$6,671	\$5,637

Source: Social Security Board

Note: Mean payment refers to the average cost per allowed claim.

Table 3.20
Disablement Pensions Awarded During the Year by Degree of Disability
in Percent, Sex and Mean Annual Payment,
2013 - 2017

Degree of Disability (%)	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total	20	10	17	15	13
25.00 - 29.99	5	3	5	3	1
30.00 - 39.99	8	3	8	6	6
40.00 - 49.99	0	2	1	2	2
50.00 - 59.99	2	0	1	1	1
60+	5	2	2	3	3
Male	20	10	17	13	13
25.00 - 29.99	5	3	5	3	1
30.00 - 39.99	8	3	8	6	6
40.00 - 49.99	0	2	1	2	2
50.00 - 59.99	2	0	1	0	1
60+	5	2	2	2	3
Female	0	0	0	2	0
25.00 - 29.99	0	0	0	0	0
30.00 - 39.99	0	0	0	0	0
40.00 - 49.99	0	0	0	0	0
50.00 - 59.99	0	0	0	1	0
60+	0	0	0	1	0
Mean Annual Payment (BZ\$)	\$3,384	\$3,618	\$2,802	\$3,895	\$3,783

Source: Social Security Board

Note: Mean annual payment refers to the average annual cost per allowed claim.

Table 3.21
'Disablement Pensions at Year End by Selected Characteristics,
2013 - 2017

Age Group	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total	456	459	465	469	471
< 20	3	3	2	0	0
20 - 29	26	26	31	27	30
30 - 39	65	63	69	64	54
40 - 49	121	122	117	107	107
50 - 59	123	126	125	138	143
60+	118	119	121	133	137
Male	429	432	438	440	442
< 20	3	3	2	0	0
20 - 29	25	25	30	27	30
30 - 39	62	60	66	59	50
40 - 49	116	118	114	104	104
50 - 59	114	116	115	128	132
60+	109	110	111	122	126
Female	27	27	27	29	29
< 20	0	0	0	0	0
20 - 29	1	1	1	0	0
30 - 39	3	3	3	5	4
40 - 49	5	4	3	3	3
50 - 59	9	10	10	10	11
60+	9	9	10	11	11
Mean Annual Payment (BZ\$)	\$2,925	\$2,943	\$2,942	\$3,128	\$3,783

Source: Social Security Board

Notes: Mean annual payment refers to the average annual cost per allowed claim.

¹Includes all persons classified as having a work disability that are in receipt of a Social Security Income.

Table 3.22
Disablement Grants Awarded by Degree of Disability in Percent,
Sex and Mean Payment,
2013 - 2017

Degree of Disability (%)	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total	115	133	107	139	104
00.00 - 04.99	53	57	44	72	43
05.00 - 09.99	38	39	34	43	33
10.00 - 14.99	12	22	16	13	21
15.00 - 19.99	7	12	10	6	3
20.00 - 24.99	5	3	3	5	4
Male	105	121	100	127	97
00.00 - 04.99	48	53	41	65	39
05.00 - 09.99	35	35	31	40	30
10.00 - 14.99	11	19	15	11	21
15.00 - 19.99	7	11	10	6	3
20.00 - 24.99	4	3	3	5	4
Female	10	12	7	12	7
00.00 - 04.99	5	4	3	2	4
05.00 - 09.99	3	4	3	8	3
10.00 - 14.99	1	3	1	2	0
15.00 - 19.99	0	1	0	0	0
20.00 - 24.99	1	0	0	0	0
Mean Payment (BZ\$)	\$3,682	\$4,173	\$4,547	\$3,703	\$4,048

Source: Social Security Board

Note: Mean payment refers to the average cost per allowed claim.

Table 3.23
Survivors' Benefit Awarded to Children for Death Benefit
During the Year by Sex and Mean Annual Payment,
(Death due to Employment Injury)
2013 - 2017

Selected Characteristics	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Sex					
Total	11	15	18	7	19
Male	7	7	11	3	13
Female	4	8	7	4	6
Mean Annual Payment (BZ\$)	\$1,821	\$2,106	\$1,993	\$1,718	\$2,312

Source: Social Security Board

Note: Mean annual payment refers to the average annual cost per allowed claim.

Table 3.24
'Survivors' Benefit at Year End for Children Receiving Death Benefit
by Age Group, Sex and Mean Annual Payment,
(Death due to Employment Injury)
2013 - 2017

Age Group	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total	211	206	191	181	174
00 - 04	9	8	7	6	7
05 - 09	27	25	27	25	27
10 - 14	80	76	72	64	66
15 - 16	42	40	39	33	31
17 - 21	39	46	32	39	29
	14	11	14	14	14
Male	113	109	99	98	87
00 - 04	7	5	4	3	4
05 - 09	10	12	16	16	19
10 - 14	40	38	36	31	35
15 - 16	27	21	18	18	13
17 - 21	22	26	19	24	11
	7	7	6	6	5
Female	98	97	92	83	87
00 - 04	2	3	3	3	3
05 - 09	17	13	11	9	8
10 - 14	40	38	36	33	31
15 - 16	15	19	21	15	18
17 - 21	17	20	13	15	18
	7	4	8	8	9
Mean Annual Payment (BZ\$)	\$1,888	\$1,885	\$1,945	\$2,034	\$2,100

Source: Social Security Board

Notes: Mean annual payment refers to the average annual cost per allowed claim.

¹Includes all children in receipt of a Social Security Death Benefit.

Table 3.25
'Survivors' Benefit at Year End for Spouses Receiving
Death Benefit by Sex and Mean Annual Payment,
(Death due to Employment Injury)
2013 - 2017

Selected Characteristics	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Sex					
Total	94	89	86	84	86
Male	0	0	0	0	0
Female	94	89	86	84	86
Mean Annual Payment (BZ\$)	\$4,391	\$4,512	\$4,635	\$4,743	\$4,864

Source: Social Security Board

Notes: Mean annual payment refers to the average annual cost per allowed claim.

¹Includes all persons classified as spouses receiving a Social Security Death Benefit.

Table 3.26
Employment Injury by Cause and Nature of Injury,
2013 - 2017

Selected Characteristics	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total	1,805	1,888	1,922	1,842	1,781
Cause					
Other Accidents Including Late Effects	1,193	1,234	1,247	1,286	1,235
Accidental Falls	479	495	516	399	415
Transport Accidents	72	102	111	86	99
Accidents Caused by Fire or Flames	16	24	14	18	15
Injury undetermined whether accidentally or purposefully inflicted	0	0	0	0	6
Other Violence	14	6	12	25	3
Accidental Poisoning	17	9	10	6	2
Homicide and Injury Purposefully Inflicted by Other Persons	5	1	2	4	1
Misadventures During Medical Care	0	0	2	1	1
Drugs, Medicaments Causing Adverse Effects	0	0	0	1	0
Missing Codes	9	17	8	16	4
Nature of Injury					
Open wounds and injury to blood vessels	743	619	552	669	699
Other injuries, early complications of trauma	346	525	585	482	369
Dislocations, sprains and strains	320	331	398	288	346
Fractures	160	143	150	165	163
Foreign bodies entering orifice	64	84	88	85	62
Concussion	0	0	0	0	47
Burns	47	57	38	47	39
Late effects of injuries, poisoning, toxic effects and other external causes	38	54	47	34	35
Intercranial and internal injuries, including nerves	71	67	56	61	13
Poisoning and toxic effects	8	2	4	6	4
Complications of medical and surgical care	1	1	0	0	1
Missing Codes	7	5	4	5	3

Source: Social Security Board

Table 3.27
Employment Injury by Industry,
2013 - 2017

Industry	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total	1,805	1,888	1,922	1,842	1,781
Agriculture	605	596	583	475	458
Construction	272	294	264	298	300
Manufacturing	186	204	235	236	235
Accommodation and Food Service Activities	128	154	160	150	168
Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair of Motor Vehicles and Motorcycles	142	146	157	203	150
Public Administration and Defence; Compulsory Social Security	143	126	134	123	126
Transportation and Storage	45	51	45	63	66
Administrative and Support Service Activities	34	42	52	36	36
Human Health and Social Work Activities	50	41	27	36	32
Professional, Scientific and Technical Activities	19	13	22	28	32
Fishing and Aquaculture	39	54	60	28	22
Activities of Households as Employers; Undifferentiated Goods & Service Producing Activities of Households for Own Use	23	19	29	19	22
Water Supply; Sewerage, Waste Management and Remediation Activities	17	29	17	23	20
Education	14	22	27	16	20
Information and Communication	19	10	9	22	17
Forestry and Logging	7	6	13	19	17
Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	22	26	20	14	15
Other Service Activities	7	9	17	14	13
Mining and Quarrying	12	15	12	10	10
Real Estate Activities	6	5	12	15	6
Electricity, Gas, Steam and Air Condition Supply	6	17	18	6	6
Financial and Insurance Activities	8	6	4	6	5
Activities of Extra-Territorial Organizations and Bodies	0	2	5	1	4
Do Not Know or Not Stated	1	1	0	1	1

Source: Social Security Board

Note: Classification of Industry as per International Standard Industrial Classification of Economic Activities Revision 4.

Table 3.28
Number of Non-Contributory Pensioners at Year End by District and Sex,
2013 - 2017

District	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total	3,115	2,777	2,513	2,214	2,018
Corozal	496	426	381	324	303
Orange Walk	654	583	530	489	463
Belize City	601	518	448	373	324
Cayo	714	646	585	517	467
Stann Creek	318	284	261	228	198
Toledo	332	320	308	283	263
Female	2,058	1,828	1,646	1,461	1,347
Corozal	308	258	236	197	182
Orange Walk	406	363	330	308	292
Belize City	431	374	318	268	241
Cayo	491	438	393	351	318
Stann Creek	213	192	178	161	147
Toledo	209	203	191	176	167
Male	1,057	949	867	753	671
Corozal	188	168	145	127	121
Orange Walk	248	220	200	181	171
Belize City	170	144	130	105	83
Cayo	223	208	192	166	149
Stann Creek	105	92	83	67	51
Toledo	123	117	117	107	96

Source: Social Security Board

Note: Figures represent the Number of Recipients that received at least one payment in reference year.

Table 3.29
Total Expenditure, Non-Contributory Pensioners by Branch,
2013 - 2017
(BZ\$)

Branch	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total	\$3,368,400	\$3,006,100	\$2,721,600	\$2,494,000	\$2,274,300
Belize City	\$605,200	\$521,300	\$464,000	\$401,500	\$341,200
Belmopan	\$245,500	\$232,800	\$219,800	\$207,800	\$195,700
Corozal	\$530,500	\$463,600	\$408,000	\$371,300	\$337,900
Dangriga	\$221,200	\$193,100	\$167,900	\$156,200	\$139,500
Independence	\$132,600	\$118,900	\$100,700	\$92,500	\$79,600
Orange Walk	\$708,500	\$634,500	\$593,100	\$563,000	\$533,600
Punta Gorda	\$375,700	\$362,600	\$342,100	\$323,300	\$302,200
San Pedro	\$20,400	\$14,300	\$10,800	\$8,400	\$6,300
Santa Elena	\$528,800	\$465,000	\$415,200	\$370,000	\$338,300

Source: Social Security Board

Note: NCP Expenditure includes total payment made for all approved NCP recipients during January - December in reference year.

Table 3.30
Number of Non-Contributory Pensioners by Age Group, Year and District,
2013 - 2017

Age Group & Year	District						Total
	Corozal	Orange Walk	Belize	Cayo	Stann Creek	Toledo	
2013							
Total	496	654	601	714	318	332	3,115
65 - 69	14	37	22	37	13	16	139
70 - 74	126	162	105	143	66	67	669
75 - 79	137	177	168	185	107	107	881
80 - 84	109	144	151	162	73	80	719
85 - 89	70	92	90	120	38	44	454
90 - 94	30	32	45	49	17	14	187
95 - 99	8	10	17	14	2	2	53
100 & Over	2	0	3	4	2	2	13
2014							
Total	426	583	518	646	284	320	2,777
65 - 69	9	24	17	23	14	15	102
70 - 74	85	121	78	110	43	57	494
75 - 79	132	161	145	157	89	98	782
80 - 84	83	134	127	159	76	84	663
85 - 89	71	101	86	128	38	43	467
90 - 94	32	30	44	50	22	15	193
95 - 99	12	11	15	16	1	5	60
100 & Over	2	1	6	3	1	3	16
2015							
Total	381	530	448	585	261	308	2,513
65 - 69	9	24	12	20	14	15	94
70 - 74	60	87	52	91	38	50	378
75 - 79	130	157	117	139	71	91	705
80 - 84	82	121	128	145	78	79	633
85 - 89	66	95	77	122	41	49	450
90 - 94	21	33	41	50	14	16	175
95 - 99	9	11	15	15	4	7	61
100 & Over	4	2	6	3	1	1	17
2016r							
Total	324	489	373	517	228	283	2,214
65 - 69	7	22	10	15	11	16	81
70 - 74	40	70	35	68	28	41	282
75 - 79	117	150	93	127	64	81	632
80 - 84	79	110	107	130	80	76	582
85 - 89	59	95	81	111	34	47	427
90 - 94	14	34	31	50	8	16	153
95 - 99	5	8	13	13	3	5	47
100 & Over	3	0	3	3	0	1	10
2017p							
Total	303	463	324	467	198	263	2,018
65 - 69	6	13	7	11	6	9	52
70 - 74	29	54	26	43	24	30	206
75 - 79	99	153	80	125	55	70	582
80 - 84	86	108	93	125	72	81	565
85 - 89	59	85	71	104	30	51	400
90 - 94	19	42	32	43	9	15	160
95 - 99	3	8	13	15	2	6	47
100 & Over	2	0	2	1	0	1	6

Source: Social Security Board

Table 3.31
Appeals Heard by an Appeal Tribunal by Branch Office, Benefit
and Outcome of Appeal,
2013 - 2017

Selected Characteristics	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Branch Office	65	45	46	39	44
Corozal	7	4	5	8	10
Orange Walk	4	1	0	1	2
Belize	26	20	21	16	19
San Pedro	3	6	0	2	3
Belmopan	7	9	9	4	5
Santa Elena	10	3	5	5	1
Dangriga	0	1	1	1	1
Independence	2	1	1	1	2
Punta Gorda	6	0	4	1	1
Benefit	65	45	46	39	44
Short Term	18	11	17	12	12
Sickness	11	6	12	8	6
Maternity Allowance	6	5	2	4	3
Maternity Grant	1	0	3	0	3
Long Term	23	17	17	14	21
Retirement	4	3	2	1	3
Survivors	10	4	5	10	14
Invalidity	8	8	10	3	4
Funeral Grant (NC)	1	2	0	0	0
Employment Injury	24	16	12	13	11
Injury	20	9	8	8	6
Disablement	4	7	4	5	5
Death Benefit	0	0	0	0	0
Funeral Grant (EI)	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	1	0	0	0
Refund of Contributions	0	1	0	0	0
Outcome of Appeal	65	45	46	39	44
Ruling for SSB	26	31	32	26	23
Ruling for Appellant	34	14	12	11	16
Cases Pending/adjourned	2	0	2	1	2
Abandoned/Withdrawn	3	0	0	1	3

Source: Social Security Board

INVESTMENTS

This section presents data on investments, investment income, investment per capita, inflation rate, and rates of return on investments. The main source of data is the Social Security Board's Investment Services databases and also audited financials. The only exceptions are the data on inflation rate and on population which were gotten from the SIB.

Investments made by SSB play a major role in sustaining and developing Belize's economy. SSB investments are made across the spectrum of Belize's economic sectors and are based on the type of economic activity carried out by the investment recipient. These economic sectors include: Banking, Agriculture, Education, Housing, Utilities, Tourism, Financial Institutions, Real Estate^a and Other. SSB generates revenue from contributions made by the insured persons. Contributions collected are used to meet operating expenses and to pay out benefits expenditure; any surplus is invested as per stipulation and guidelines of the Act.

In this section, investment data are presented yearly and cumulatively. Investments are the total investments made in a particular year while the total investment as at December 31 is the increase in the investment by successive yearly additions.

Table 4.1
Investment Portfolio Allocations by Sector as at December 31,
2013 - 2017
(BZ\$)

SECTOR	Year									
	2013		2014		2015		2016r		2017p	
	Quantity	%	Quantity	%	Quantity	%	Quantity	%	Quantity	%
Total	\$385,384,770	100.0	\$410,154,498	100.0	\$440,260,035	100.0	\$438,804,307	100.0	\$457,947,990	100.0
Utilities	\$204,147,846	53.0	\$214,119,277	52.2	\$214,899,892	48.8	\$209,013,713	47.6	\$261,548,789	57.1
Financial Institutions	\$135,056,196	35.0	\$134,638,143	32.8	\$148,964,089	33.8	\$148,511,025	33.8	\$117,186,239	25.6
Agriculture	\$18,659,862	4.8	\$34,232,744	8.3	\$43,169,590	9.8	\$40,445,773	9.2	\$42,032,310	9.2
Tourism	\$9,300,928	2.4	\$11,340,542	2.8	\$18,411,729	4.2	\$26,496,700	6.0	\$24,433,046	5.3
Housing	\$11,616,344	3.0	\$10,712,589	2.6	\$10,049,055	2.3	\$9,313,406	2.1	\$8,689,486	1.9
Education	\$1,762,265	0.5	\$1,681,357	0.4	\$1,484,744	0.3	\$1,193,650	0.3	\$929,866	0.2
Other	\$9,314,684	2.4	\$8,452,348	2.1	\$8,019,099	1.8	\$8,047,540	1.8	\$7,646,947	1.7
Less Provision for Loss on Investment	(\$4,473,354)	(1.2)	(\$5,022,500)	(1.2)	(\$4,738,164)	(1.1)	(\$4,217,499)	(1.0)	(\$4,518,693)	(1.0)

Source: Social Security Board

Note: Total Investment may not add up due to rounding.

Table 4.2
Investment Indicators,
2013 - 2017

Indicators	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Population Estimate	349,728	358,899	368,310	377,969	385,766
Investment (BZ\$)	\$385,384,770	\$410,154,498	\$440,260,035	\$438,804,307	\$457,947,990
Increase in Investments (BZ\$)	\$22,413,619	\$24,769,729	\$30,105,537	(\$1,455,728)	\$19,143,683
Net Investment Income (BZ\$)	\$19,069,448	\$26,186,332	\$24,791,972	\$26,268,696	\$23,888,586
Investment Per Capita (BZ\$)	\$64.09	\$69.02	\$81.74	(\$3.85)	\$49.63
Investment Income Per Capita (BZ\$)	\$54.53	\$72.96	\$67.31	\$69.50	\$61.93
Inflation Rate	0.5	1.2	(0.9)	0.7	1.1
Nominal Rate of Return on Investments in Percent	5.2	6.8	6.0	6.2	5.5
Real Rate of Return on Investments in Percent	4.7	5.6	6.9	5.5	4.4

Source: Social Security Board and Statistical Institute of Belize

SELF-EMPLOYED PERSONS

This section presents statistics on Self-Employed persons in Belize. Indicators include registration, contribution and benefit payments of the self-employed. The principal source of the data is the Social Security Board's (SSB) Registration, Benefit and Contribution databases.

In SSB's pursuit of its goal to help promote the extension of social security coverage in line with the objectives and strategies of SSB and the International Social Security Association (ISSA), SSB has included a new section to its Statistical Abstract, namely, Social Security data on the number of self-employed.

In February 2003, SSB implemented the self-employment scheme under which the self-employed persons may voluntarily contribute to the Social Security Fund. SSB defines a self-employed as someone who is gainfully occupied in employment in Belize, is not an employed person, and is between ages eighteen to sixty years. Self-employed insured persons are responsible for their entire payment of 7% of their declared weekly income ranging from \$55.00 to \$320.00. For a self-employed to qualify for any benefit, no less than 26 contributions need to be paid into the self-employed scheme and all other qualifying conditions for any benefit under the SSB Regulations need to be met.

Table 5.1
Self-Employed by Selected Characteristics,
2013 - 2017

Selected Characteristics	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Number of Persons in Labour Force	148,736	151,317	153,689	162,254	164,935
Number of Self Employed Persons in the Labour Force	N/A	31,364	31,169	39,026	39,160
Newly Registered	387	403	404	521	439
Number of Active Insured Self Employed Persons	1,032	1,094	1,195	1,390	1,464
Contributions Paid (BZ\$)	\$434,431	\$495,641	\$573,775	\$667,280	\$742,676
% of Self Employed in the Labour Force	0.7%	0.7%	0.8%	0.9%	0.9%
% of Self Employed in the Employed Force	N/A	3.5%	3.8%	3.6%	3.7%

Source: Social Security Board

Note: N/A - Not Available

Table 5.2
Newly Registered Self-Employed by District,
2013 - 2017

District	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total	387	403	404	521	439
Corozal	52	30	38	53	32
Orange Walk	42	44	42	59	53
Belize	106	138	146	171	172
Cayo	94	92	80	98	92
Stann Creek	51	75	68	84	70
Toledo	42	24	30	56	20

Source: Social Security Board

Table 5.3
Active Insured Self-Employed by Selected Characteristics,
2013 - 2017

Selected Characteristics	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total	1,032	1,094	1,195	1,390	1,464
District					
Corozal	128	131	127	147	154
Orange Walk	117	130	145	169	176
Belize	265	285	335	394	441
Cayo	242	256	274	304	313
Stann Creek	203	206	227	268	279
Toledo	77	86	87	108	101
Age Group					
18 - 19	6	2	3	4	2
20 - 24	38	39	37	34	27
25 - 29	78	61	75	106	86
30 - 34	122	122	125	155	155
35 - 39	126	130	157	163	162
40 - 44	138	159	173	213	222
45 - 49	154	165	191	208	208
50 - 54	164	202	207	241	288
55 - 59	180	187	198	231	262
60	26	27	29	35	52
Marital Status					
Married	504	523	589	679	700
Single	327	359	356	398	419
Common Law	163	178	201	15	14
Widow	18	16	25	150	167
Legally Separated	11	9	11	133	149
Divorced	9	9	13	15	15

Source: Social Security Board

Table 5.4
Male Active Insured Self-Employed by Selected Characteristics,
2013 - 2017

Selected Characteristics	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total	486	518	557	640	653
District					
Corozal	83	85	69	76	77
Orange Walk	63	76	89	101	88
Belize	111	116	141	160	180
Cayo	108	109	126	139	148
Stann Creek	83	90	98	113	119
Toledo	38	42	34	51	41
Age Group					
18 - 19	2	2	1	3	1
20 - 24	21	18	19	16	14
25 - 29	30	24	37	43	34
30 - 34	60	61	61	81	76
35 - 39	57	59	77	80	80
40 - 44	70	84	84	92	98
45 - 49	70	75	88	95	95
50 - 54	71	91	93	114	114
55 - 59	93	90	81	100	117
60	12	14	16	16	24
Marital Status					
Married	257	252	288	334	325
Single	132	159	147	167	173
Common Law	89	98	111	2	2
Legally Separated	4	4	5	128	145
Widow	2	4	4	3	3
Divorced	2	2	1	6	5

Source: Social Security Board

Table 5.5
Female Active Insured Self-Employed by Selected Characteristics,
2013 - 2017

District	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total	546	576	638	750	811
District					
Corozal	45	46	58	71	77
Orange Walk	54	54	56	68	88
Belize	154	169	194	234	261
Cayo	134	147	148	165	165
Stann Creek	120	116	129	155	160
Toledo	39	44	53	57	60
Age Group					
18 - 19	4	0	2	1	1
20 - 24	17	21	18	18	13
25 - 29	48	37	38	63	52
30 - 34	62	61	64	74	79
35 - 39	69	71	80	83	82
40 - 44	68	75	89	121	124
45 - 49	84	90	103	113	113
50 - 54	93	111	114	127	174
55 - 59	87	97	117	131	145
60	14	13	13	19	28
Marital Status					
Married	247	271	301	345	375
Single	195	200	209	231	246
Common Law	74	80	90	13	12
Widow	16	12	21	130	146
Legally Separated	7	5	6	22	22
Divorced	7	8	11	9	10

Source: Social Security Board

Table 5.6
Self-Employed Contributions Collected and their Percentage Distribution by Average Weekly Insurable Earnings,
2013 - 2017
(BZS)

District	Year									
	2013		2014		2015		2016r		2017p	
	Quantity	%	Quantity	%	Quantity	%	Quantity	%	Quantity	%
Total	\$434,431	100.0	\$495,641	100.0	\$573,775	100.0	\$667,280	100.0	\$742,676	100.0
Under \$70.00	\$18,075	4.2	\$17,636	3.6	\$19,376	3.4	\$20,013	3.0	\$20,041	2.7
\$70.00 - \$109.99	\$59,758	13.8	\$66,279	13.4	\$67,619	11.8	\$70,583	10.6	\$71,645	9.6
\$110.00 - \$139.99	\$9,189	2.1	\$9,288	1.9	\$9,205	1.6	\$10,880	1.6	\$14,475	1.9
\$140.00 - \$179.99	\$60,151	13.8	\$61,597	12.4	\$72,226	12.6	\$77,103	11.6	\$86,818	11.7
\$180.00 - \$219.99	\$86,694	20.0	\$109,444	22.1	\$132,036	23.0	\$169,557	25.4	\$192,898	26.0
\$220.00 - \$259.99	\$17,098	3.9	\$20,647	4.2	\$27,301	4.8	\$34,980	5.2	\$36,773	5.0
\$260.00 - \$299.99	\$9,944	2.3	\$10,745	2.2	\$16,340	2.8	\$18,094	2.7	\$21,566	2.9
\$300.00 and Over	\$173,521	39.9	\$200,004	40.4	\$229,673	40.0	\$266,070	39.9	\$298,460	40.2

Source: Social Security Board

Table 5.7
Number of Benefits Awarded to Self-Employed Insured Persons
During the Year by Branch/Benefit,
2013 - 2017

Branch/Benefit	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total	230	201	222	264	318
Short Term	199	158	178	210	244
Sickness	164	137	162	191	214
Maternity Allowance	20	9	9	7	13
Maternity Grant	15	12	7	12	17
Long Term	23	31	38	42	58
Retirement	20	31	33	39	48
Survivors	0	0	0	0	5
Invalidity	2	0	3	3	1
Funeral Grant (NC)	1	0	2	0	4
Non-Contributory Pensions	0	0	0	0	0
Employment Injury	8	12	6	12	16
Injury Benefit	8	12	4	11	15
Disablement Grant	0	0	1	0	1
Death	0	0	1	1	0
Funeral Grant (EI)	0	0	0	0	0

Source: Social Security Board

Notes: NC - Natural Causes.

EI - Employment Injury

Table 5.8
Benefits Expenditure Paid to Self-Employed Insured Persons by Branch/Benefit,
2013 - 2017
(BZ\$)

Branch/Benefit	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total	\$694,944	\$821,974	\$990,254	\$1,179,812	\$1,485,978
Short Term	\$124,134	\$93,030	\$100,643	\$80,164	\$104,683
Sickness	\$79,195	\$70,637	\$81,597	\$61,444	\$73,332
Maternity Allowance	\$40,439	\$18,794	\$16,946	\$15,120	\$26,251
Maternity Grant	\$4,500	\$3,600	\$2,100	\$3,600	\$5,100
Long Term	\$536,271	\$686,121	\$837,059	\$1,042,514	\$1,307,026
Retirement	\$459,630	\$597,663	\$726,672	\$902,634	\$1,128,117
Survivors	\$34,496	\$43,944	\$61,385	\$87,980	\$117,036
Invalidity	\$40,645	\$44,513	\$47,002	\$51,900	\$57,873
Funeral Grant (NC)	\$1,500	\$0	\$2,000	\$0	\$4,000
Non-Contributory Pensions	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Employment Injury	\$34,539	\$42,823	\$52,552	\$57,134	\$74,269
Injury Benefit	\$5,502	\$13,786	\$4,929	\$9,022	\$16,546
Disablement Grant	\$29,037	\$29,037	\$32,903	\$34,503	\$42,559
Death	\$0	\$0	\$14,720	\$13,608	\$15,163
Funeral Grant (EI)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Source: Social Security Board

Notes: NC - Natural Causes.

EI - Employment Injury

Table 5.9
Ratio of Sickness Benefit Cases Paid to Active Insured Persons by Selected Characteristics,
2013 - 2017

Contributors	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total Active Insured Persons (AIP)					
No. of Sickness Cases Paid	27,709	28,973	30,928	38,139	39,546
No. of AIP	93,172	98,608	102,165	104,011	104,683
No. of Sickness Cases Paid/No. of AIP	0.30	0.29	0.30	0.37	0.38
Self-Employed (SE)					
No. of Sickness Cases Paid	164	137	162	221	214
No. of SE Contributors	1,032	1,094	1,195	1,390	1,464
No. of Sickness Cases Paid/No. of SE Contributors	0.16	0.13	0.14	0.16	0.15
Other Contributors					
No. of Sickness Cases Paid	27,545	28,836	30,766	37,918	39,332
No. of Other Contributors	92,140	97,514	100,970	102,621	103,219
No. of Sickness Cases Paid/No. of Other Contributors	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.37	0.38

Source: Social Security Board

MIGRANT WORKERS

This section presents statistics on Migrant Workers in Belize. Indicators include the registration, contribution and benefit payments of migrant workers. The principal source of the data is the Social Security Board's (SSB) Registration, Benefit and Contribution databases.

In response to the high demand for migrant data from key stakeholders like International Organization of Migration (IOM) Belize, Department of Immigration and Nationality Services, Labour Department and Belize Trade and Investment Development Service (Beltraide), SSB has created a section of its 2017 Statistical Abstract with a compilation of Social Security data on the number of migrant workers by country of birth, age, sex among other things. The statistics that are presented in this section were compiled based on the following definition: a migrant worker is someone who is gainfully occupied in employment in Belize who was not born in the country of Belize. Moreover, migrant workers who have legal status to reside and work in Belize and are insured persons may contribute to the Fund and receive all Social Security benefits as born Belizeans once they meet the qualifying conditions.

Table 6.1
Migrant Workers by Selected Characteristics,
2013 - 2017

Selected Characteristics	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total Registered	57,525	60,151	63,271	65,642	67,479
Newly Registered	2,364	2,626	3,120	2,371	1,837
Number of Active Migrant Workers	16,017	16,722	17,527	17,507	17,500
Contributions Paid (BZ\$)	\$10,480,642	\$11,209,202	\$11,842,264	\$11,879,252	\$12,463,550

Source: Social Security Board

Table 6.2
Number of Migrant Workers by Nationality,
2013 - 2017

Nationality	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total	16,017	16,722	17,527	17,507	17,500
Central America	13,322	13,998	14,734	14,530	14,243
Guatemala	7,271	7,682	8,137	8,025	7,854
Honduras	2,964	3,106	3,232	3,155	3,073
El Salvador	2,726	2,848	2,972	2,965	2,941
Nicaragua	325	329	355	346	336
Costa Rica	20	17	21	24	24
Panama	16	16	17	15	15
North America	1,001	1,039	1,084	1,106	1,169
Mexico	494	488	515	516	576
United States Of America	421	456	476	493	507
Canada	86	95	93	97	86
Bermuda	0	0	0	0	0
Asia	756	733	733	874	1,086
India	257	247	234	251	274
China (Mainland)	155	152	154	258	397
Philippines	90	93	88	98	99
Taiwan	65	67	70	74	85
China (Republic of Taiwan)	55	53	58	57	60
Other	134	121	129	136	171
Caribbean	416	426	445	455	468
Jamaica	170	172	182	173	168
Cuba	57	66	75	78	84
Guyana	66	58	57	60	59
Haiti	40	43	40	45	53
Trinidad And Tobago	34	36	33	36	38
Other	49	51	58	63	66
Africa	240	228	213	205	197
Nigeria	175	164	144	129	122
Republic of South Africa	13	21	29	33	33
Ghana	24	18	15	14	12
Zimbabwe	6	3	4	4	8
Cameroon	5	4	3	4	4
Other	17	18	18	21	18
Europe	214	232	241	246	229
United Kingdom	125	134	129	122	119
Germany	21	21	18	19	17
Netherlands (Holland)	5	4	6	18	13
France	5	9	10	10	9
Denmark	7	8	9	7	8
Other	51	56	69	70	63
South America	67	65	76	90	101
Colombia	33	30	34	40	38
Venezuela	9	6	12	16	26
Bolivia	3	5	6	8	7
Brazil	7	7	6	6	7
Ecuador	7	5	5	6	6
Other	8	12	13	14	17
Oceania	0	0	0	1	6
Australia	0	0	0	0	5
Fiji	0	0	0	1	1
Do Not Know or Not Stated	1	1	1	0	1

Source: Social Security Board

Table 6.3
Number of CARICOM Migrant Workers by Sex and Nationality,
2013 - 2017

Sex	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total CARICOM Migrants	346	344	351	354	362
Jamaica	170	172	182	173	168
Co-operative Republic of Guyana	66	58	57	60	59
Republic of Haiti	40	43	40	45	53
Republic of Trinidad & Tobago	34	36	33	36	38
St. Vincent & the Grenadines	6	8	9	10	11
Dominica	11	11	11	9	9
St. Lucia	2	2	3	4	5
Antigua & Barbuda	2	2	2	3	4
Barbados	3	1	2	2	4
Bahamas	2	3	5	4	3
Grenada	7	5	4	4	3
Federation of St. Kitts & Nevis	2	2	2	2	3
Republic of Suriname	1	1	1	2	2
Male CARICOM Migrants	170	173	176	178	195
Jamaica	75	81	87	87	89
Republic of Haiti	33	36	34	33	42
Co-operative Republic of Guyana	33	28	29	27	27
Republic of Trinidad & Tobago	11	13	10	11	12
St. Vincent & the Grenadines	5	4	4	5	6
Dominica	5	5	5	5	5
Antigua & Barbuda	2	2	2	3	4
Barbados	1	0	1	2	3
St. Lucia	1	1	1	1	2
Grenada	4	2	2	2	2
Bahamas	0	1	1	1	1
Federation of St. Kitts & Nevis	0	0	0	0	1
Republic of Suriname	0	0	0	1	1
Female CARICOM Migrants	176	171	175	176	167
Jamaica	95	91	95	86	79
Co-operative Republic of Guyana	33	30	28	33	32
Republic of Trinidad & Tobago	23	23	23	25	26
Republic of Haiti	7	7	6	12	11
St. Vincent & the Grenadines	1	4	5	5	5
Dominica	6	6	6	4	4
St. Lucia	1	1	2	3	3
Bahamas	2	2	4	3	2
Federation of St. Kitts & Nevis	2	2	2	2	2
Barbados	2	1	1	0	1
Grenada	3	3	2	2	1
Republic of Suriname	1	1	1	1	1
Antigua & Barbuda	0	0	0	0	0

Source: Social Security Board

Table 6.4
Active Insured Migrant Workers by Selected Characteristics,
2013 - 2017

Selected Characteristics	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total	16,017	16,722	17,527	17,507	17,500
District					
Corozal	917	882	837	843	780
Orange Walk	998	956	991	1,072	1,194
Belize	5,337	5,483	5,396	5,956	5,836
Cayo	3,521	3,956	4,272	4,298	4,611
Stann Creek	5,082	5,254	5,816	4,538	4,264
Toledo	162	191	215	800	815
Age Group					
14 - 24	2,184	2,219	2,318	2,233	2,073
25 - 34	4,727	4,814	4,936	4,859	4,811
35 - 44	4,386	4,659	4,845	4,861	4,824
45 - 54	2,919	3,088	3,347	3,421	3,537
55+	1,801	1,942	2,081	2,133	2,255
Marital Status					
Single	6,503	7,056	7,584	7,426	7,429
Married	5,645	5,739	5,789	5,933	6,044
Common Law	3,554	3,611	3,838	3,824	3,725
Legally Separated	126	120	119	116	110
Widow	107	112	112	115	107
Divorced	82	84	85	93	85

Source: Social Security Board

Table 6.5
Male Active Insured Migrant Workers by Selected Characteristics,
2013 - 2017

Selected Characteristics	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total	10,935	11,471	12,124	11,991	11,897
District					
Corozal	651	639	592	590	543
Orange Walk	772	741	776	819	846
Belize	3,123	3,229	3,188	3,599	3,452
Cayo	2,297	2,593	2,882	2,885	3,184
Stann Creek	3,972	4,138	4,540	3,527	3,257
Toledo	120	131	146	571	615
Age Group					
14 - 24	1,543	1,602	1,702	1,648	1,523
25 - 34	3,120	3,187	3,315	3,246	3,208
35 - 44	2,857	3,044	3,161	3,114	3,058
45 - 54	2,003	2,127	2,321	2,329	2,383
55+	1,412	1,511	1,625	1,654	1,725
Marital Status					
Single	4,317	4,765	5,205	5,014	4,965
Married	3,969	4,039	4,108	4,184	4,252
Common Law	2,509	2,530	2,668	2,657	2,555
Legally Separated	64	60	62	62	62
Widow	46	45	47	42	37
Divorced	30	32	34	32	26

Source: Social Security Board

Table 6.6
Female Active Insured Migrant Workers by Selected Characteristics,
2013 - 2017

Selected Characteristics	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total	5,082	5,251	5,403	5,516	5,603
District					
Corozal	266	243	245	253	237
Orange Walk	226	215	215	253	348
Belize	2,214	2,254	2,208	2,357	2,384
Cayo	1,224	1,363	1,390	1,413	1,427
Stann Creek	1,110	1,116	1,276	1,011	1,007
Toledo	42	60	69	229	200
Age Group					
14 - 24	641	617	616	585	550
25 - 34	1,607	1,627	1,621	1,613	1,603
35 - 44	1,529	1,615	1,684	1,747	1,766
45 - 54	916	961	1,026	1,092	1,154
55+	389	431	456	479	530
Marital Status					
Single	2,186	2,291	2,379	2,412	2,464
Married	1,676	1,700	1,681	1,749	1,792
Common Law	1,045	1,081	1,170	1,167	1,170
Widow	61	67	65	54	70
Legally Separated	62	60	57	73	48
Divorced	52	52	51	61	59

Source: Social Security Board

Table 6.7
Active Insured Migrant Workers and their Percentage Distribution by Industry,
2013 - 2017

Industry	2013		2014		2015		2016r		2017p	
	Quantity	%	Quantity	%	Quantity	%	Quantity	%	Quantity	%
Total Active Insured Migrant Workers	16,017	100.0	16,722	100.0	17,527	100.0	17,507	100.0	17,500	100.0
Agriculture	4,852	30.3	4,972	29.7	5,297	30.2	4,726	27.0	4,484	25.6
Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair of Motor Vehicles and Motorcycles	1,835	11.5	1,844	11.0	1,937	11.1	2,190	12.5	2,341	13.4
Accommodation and Food Service Activities	1,846	11.5	1,943	11.6	2,008	11.5	2,099	12.0	2,221	12.7
Construction	1,462	9.1	1,608	9.6	1,658	9.5	1,749	10.0	1,552	8.9
Manufacturing	1,150	7.2	1,212	7.2	1,464	8.4	1,388	7.9	1,325	7.6
Public Administration and Defence; Compulsory Social Security	691	4.3	716	4.3	748	4.3	743	4.2	762	4.4
Professional, Scientific and Technical Activities	395	2.5	484	2.9	464	2.6	687	3.9	726	4.1
Activities of Households as Employers; Undifferentiated Goods & Service Producing Activities of Households for Own Use	595	3.7	615	3.7	597	3.4	626	3.6	632	3.6
Administrative and Support Service Activities	544	3.4	578	3.5	588	3.4	545	3.1	562	3.2
Education	502	3.1	517	3.1	504	2.9	527	3.0	539	3.1
Transportation and Storage	303	1.9	309	1.8	307	1.8	341	1.9	403	2.3
Human Health and Social Work Activities	327	2.0	351	2.1	358	2.0	368	2.1	391	2.2
Other Service Activities	280	1.7	277	1.7	294	1.7	286	1.6	273	1.6
Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	254	1.6	249	1.5	244	1.4	233	1.3	226	1.3
Fishing and Aquaculture	292	1.8	344	2.1	310	1.8	212	1.2	214	1.2
Financial and Insurance Activities	177	1.1	175	1.0	183	1.0	218	1.2	214	1.2
Information and Communication	129	0.8	124	0.7	134	0.8	175	1.0	189	1.1
Real Estate Activities	75	0.5	77	0.5	108	0.6	112	0.6	143	0.8
Mining and Quarrying	91	0.6	102	0.6	110	0.6	86	0.5	98	0.6
Water Supply; Sewerage, Waste Management and Remediation Activities	107	0.7	112	0.7	67	0.4	71	0.4	73	0.4
Activities of Extra-Territorial Organizations and Bodies	53	0.3	46	0.3	55	0.3	42	0.2	52	0.3
Electricity, Gas, Steam and Air Condition Supply	25	0.2	29	0.2	33	0.2	40	0.2	42	0.2
Forestry and Logging	24	0.1	29	0.2	50	0.3	39	0.2	32	0.2
Do not know or Not Stated	8	0.0	9	0.1	9	0.1	4	0.0	6	0.0

Source: Social Security Board

Notes: The total number of Active Insured Persons shown is not equal to the sum of the Insured Persons in each industry during the respective years due to persons working in different industries during the year.

The sum of the percentages of Insured Persons in each industry does not add up to 100% during the respective years due to persons working in different industries during the year.
Classification of Industry as per International Standard Industrial Classification of Economic Activities Revision 4.

Table 6.8
Active Insured Migrant Workers and their Percentage Distribution by Average Weekly Insurable Earnings,
2013 - 2017

Weekly Earnings Group	Year									
	2013		2014		2015		2016r		2017p	
	Quantity	%	Quantity	%	Quantity	%	Quantity	%	Quantity	%
Total Migrants	16,017	100.0	16,722	100.0	17,527	100.0	17,507	100.0	17,500	100.0
Under \$70.00	834	5.3	997	6.1	901	5.3	750	4.3	816	4.7
\$70.00 - \$109.99	1,309	8.4	1,383	8.5	1,170	6.8	1,202	6.9	1,038	5.9
\$110.00 - \$139.99	1,248	8.0	1,382	8.5	1,200	7.0	1,153	6.6	1,023	5.8
\$140.00 - \$179.99	2,655	17.0	2,757	16.9	2,922	17.1	2,708	15.5	2,488	14.2
\$180.00 - \$219.99	2,270	14.5	2,280	14.0	2,372	13.9	2,465	14.1	2,328	13.3
\$220.00 - \$259.99	1,653	10.6	1,682	10.3	1,848	10.8	1,841	10.5	1,884	10.8
\$260.00 - \$299.99	1,018	6.5	952	5.8	1,143	6.7	1,117	6.4	1,123	6.4
\$300.00 and Over	4,663	29.8	4,907	30.0	5,532	32.4	5,835	33.3	6,318	36.1
**	367	1.8	382	1.8	439	1.9	436	2.5	482	2.8

Source: Social Security Board

Note: ** Applies to persons age 60 - 64 years who have received a retirement benefit and all persons 65 years and older.

Table 6.9
Number of Benefits Awarded to Migrant Workers During the Year by Branch/Benefit,
2013 - 2017

Branch/Benefit	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total	4,938	5,107	5,336	4,863	5,398
Short Term	4,207	4,348	4,488	4,086	4,681
Sickness	3,544	3,663	3,812	3,429	4,103
Maternity Allowance	167	169	170	171	157
Maternity Grant	496	516	506	486	421
Long Term	249	253	336	308	312
Retirement	94	88	125	115	102
Survivors	16	19	24	17	30
Invalidity	9	2	5	9	3
Funeral Grant (NC)	124	132	162	161	177
Non-Contributory Pensions	6	12	20	6	0
Employment Injury	482	506	512	469	405
Injury Benefit	474	501	504	468	399
Disablement	8	4	5	0	5
Death	0	1	2	1	1
Funeral Grant (EI)	0	0	1	0	0

Source: Social Security Board

Notes: NC - Natural Causes

 EI - Employment Injury

Table 6.10
Benefits Expenditure Paid to Migrant Workers by Branch/Benefit,
2013 - 2017
(BZ\$)

Branch/Benefit	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
Total	\$2,897,471	\$3,562,345	\$4,451,306	\$4,999,506	\$5,583,806
Short Term	\$1,528,143	\$1,604,573	\$1,740,322	\$1,533,942	\$1,669,317
Sickness	\$983,604	\$1,054,674	\$1,177,360	\$994,195	\$1,158,122
Maternity Allowance	\$394,239	\$393,900	\$409,061	\$393,047	\$384,895
Maternity Grant	\$150,300	\$156,000	\$153,900	\$146,700	\$126,300
Long Term	\$1,042,179	\$1,612,057	\$2,314,476	\$3,054,279	\$3,516,685
Retirement	\$707,346	\$1,141,443	\$1,686,901	\$2,300,389	\$2,645,392
Survivors	\$127,403	\$218,227	\$312,529	\$410,317	\$501,854
Invalidity	\$34,629	\$60,387	\$76,447	\$106,972	\$116,659
Funeral Grant (NC)	\$161,500	\$182,000	\$225,000	\$225,000	\$241,181
Non-Contributory Pensions	\$11,300	\$10,000	\$13,600	\$11,600	\$11,600
Employment Injury	\$327,150	\$345,715	\$396,509	\$411,285	\$397,803
Injury Benefit	\$296,873	\$287,155	\$299,831	\$300,955	\$263,907
Disablement	\$10,183	\$34,989	\$48,944	\$53,670	\$68,724
Death	\$20,093	\$23,570	\$46,234	\$56,660	\$65,172
Funeral Grant (EI)	\$0	\$0	\$1,500	\$0	\$0

Source: Social Security Board

Notes: NC - Natural Causes

EI - Employment Injury

Table 6.11
Ratio of Sickness Benefit Cases Paid to Migrant Workers by Selected Characteristics,
2013 - 2017

Migrant Workers	Year				
	2013	2014	2015	2016r	2017p
No. of Sickness Cases Paid	3,544	3,663	3,812	3,429	4,103
No. of Active Migrant Workers	16,017	16,722	17,527	17,507	21,604
No. of Sickness Cases Paid/No. of Active Migrant Workers	0.22	0.22	0.22	0.20	0.19

Source: Social Security Board



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