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Introduction

This publication provides an overview of the operational performance of the ABSSB sharing details on Registration activity and the processing of both short- and long-term benefits during the 2nd quarter of 2014 and 2015.
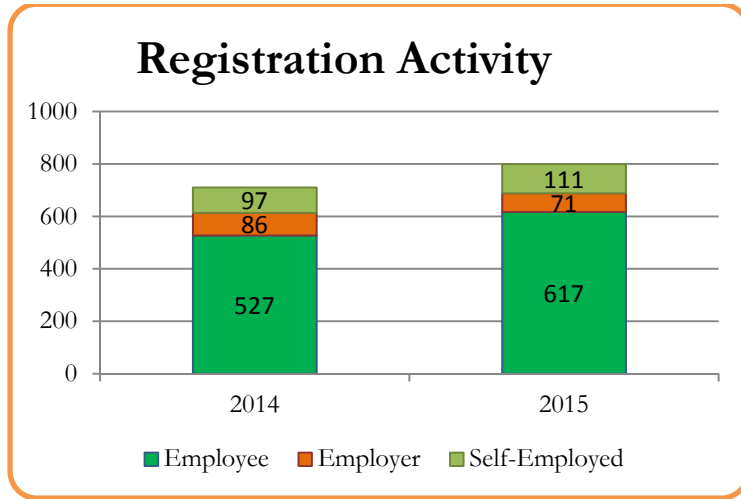
Registration Activity

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Figure 1

Figure 1 shows a breakdown of registration activity for the 2nd quarter of 2014 and 2015 respectively. Self Employed registrants totaled **111**, in the 2nd quarter of 2015, indicating an increase of **14.4%** relative to the corresponding period in 2014.

Table 1: Registrants by Nationality 2014

Nationality	April	May	June
Antigua & Barbuda	119	132	141
OECS	7	8	4
Non - OECS[1]	22	20	22
International	25	13	14
Total	**173**	**173**	**181**

[1] CARICOM Territories

Table 2: Registrants by Nationality 2015

Nationality	April	May	June
Antigua & Barbuda	103	99	170
OECS	26	18	40
Non - OECS²	29	34	23
International	31	19	25
Total	**189**	**170**	**258**

Tables 1 and 2, displays the number of new registrants with the ABSSB by nationality. An increase of **17.1%** in total registration in 2015 is noted, relative to 2nd quarter, 2014.
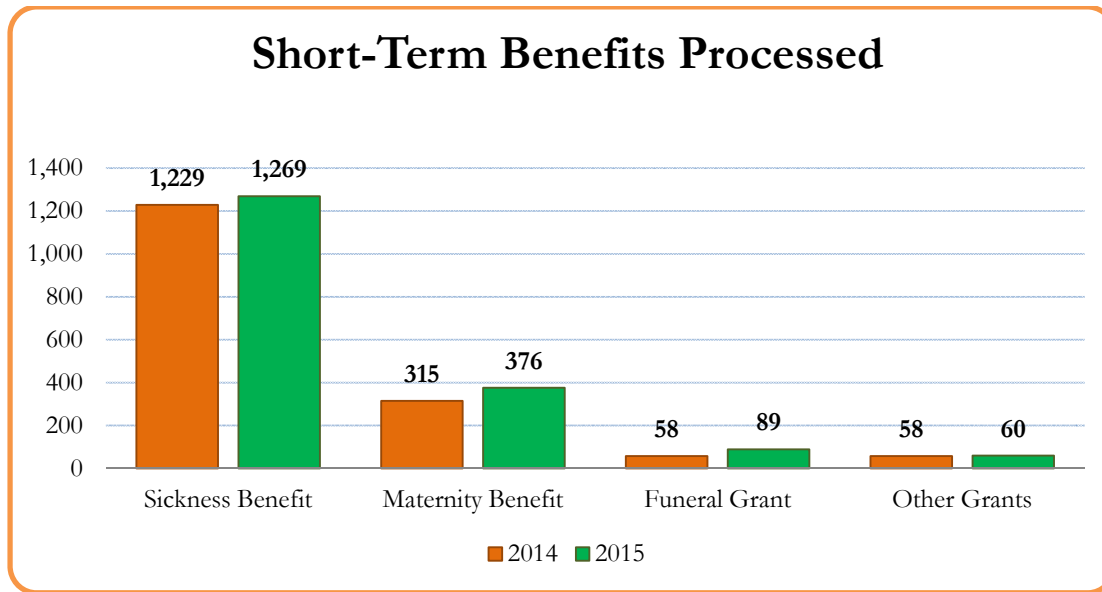
Benefits Activity

Short-Term Benefits Processed

Figure 2

Figure 2 indicates the type of short - term benefits processed by the ABSSB. **Sickness** benefit accounted for **74%** of the short – term claims that were allowed (paid) during the 2nd quarter, 2014 compared to **71%** in 2nd quarter, 2015.

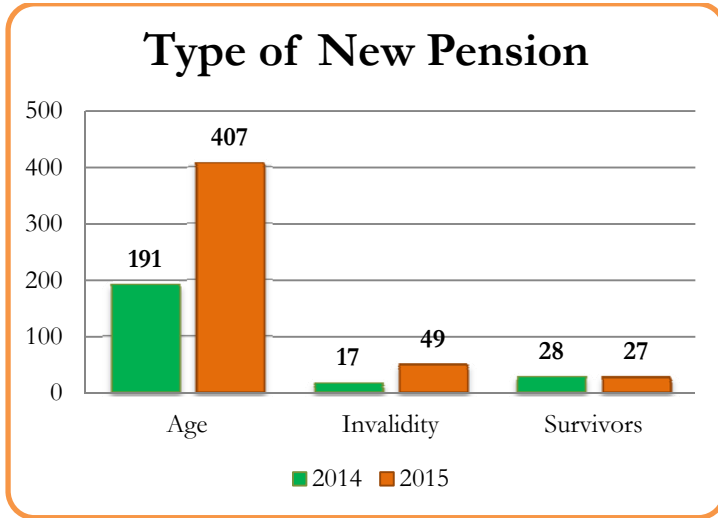## Pension Profile

Type of New Pension

Figure 3 shares the types of new pensions that were processed. A total of **191** former contributors qualified for an Age pension in 2014. In 2015, however, there was a significant increase of **113.1%** of Age pension applications.
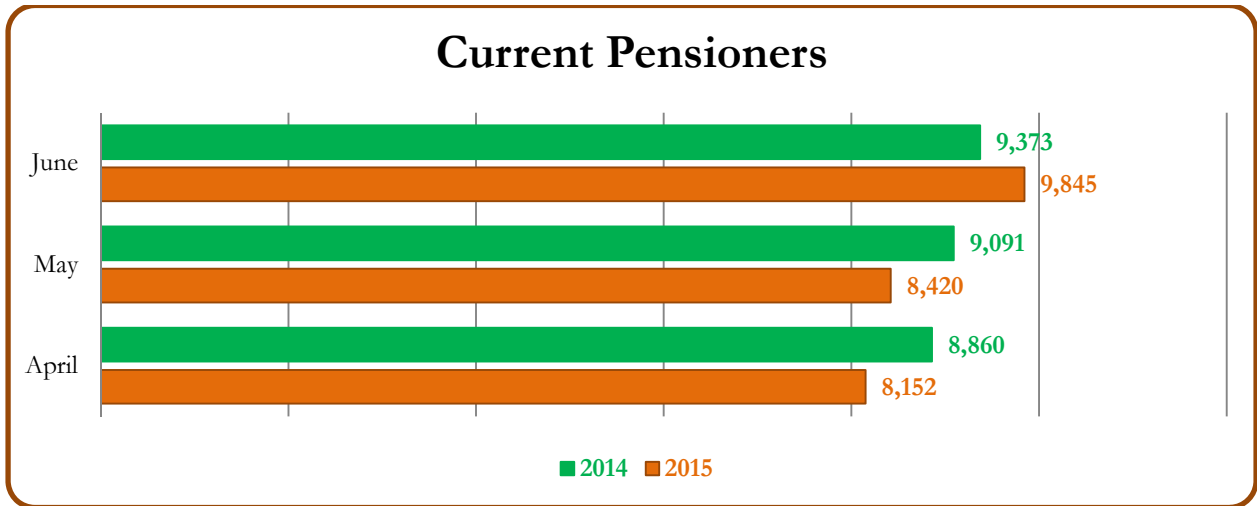
Figure 3

Current Pensioners

Figure 4

Figure 4 highlights the total number of persons receiving pension payments monthly during the 2nd quarter of 2014 and 2015 respectively.