

Quarterly Statistics

Operational Statistics July 2001 – September 2001

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Note: The statistics reported below are in some instances not directly comparable on an office by office basis with previous reports. This is due to the the closure of LINZ South Island branch offices following the implementation of Landonline, and the resulting transfer of business from those offices to the parent regional office in either Christchurch or Dunedin. This process will continue in the North Island until all LINZ branch offices are closed, with the five regional offices remaining.

**Table 1a – Land title document receipt volume comparisons
July - September periods 2000 and 2001**

	Transfers		Mortgages		Discharged Mortgages		Others		Total for Period		% Change
	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001	
North Auckland	15,181	16,868	12,793	14,358	13,216	14,565	15,835	14,803	57,025	60,594	6.3%
South Auckland	7,743	7,795	5,864	5,809	6,022	5,836	8,074	7,075	27,703	26,515	-4.3%
Gisborne	601	418	436	315	472	368	671	458	2,180	1,559	-28.5%
Taranaki	1,319	1,325	1,038	1,061	1,101	1,099	1,294	1,089	4,752	4,574	-3.7%
Hawke's Bay	2,009	1,865	1,487	1,464	1,555	1,577	2,099	2,160	7,150	7,066	-1.2%
Wellington Christchurch Region	8,743	8,194	6,848	7,246	6,877	6,532	7,461	5,131	29,929	27,103	-9.4%
Dunedin Region	8,631	8,498	6,690	7,173	6,693	7,088	10,590	6,949	32,604	29,708	-8.9%
TOTAL	4,064	4,515	3,044	3,177	2,900	3,158	3,295	4,344	13,303	15,194	14.2%
	48,291	49,478	38,200	40,603	38,836	40,223	49,319	42,009	174,646	172,313	-1.3%

The volume of land title documents received nationally during the July - September 2001 quarter was 1.3% lower than for same quarter in 2000. Two offices received more documents - Auckland up by 6.3%, and Dunedin by 14.2%. All other offices had fewer lodgments.

See Graph 1 for monthly national document receipts during 1999/00 and 2000/01.

**Table 1b – Land title plan lodgements and new title issues comparisons
July - September periods 2000 and 2001**

	Title Plans Lodged		% Change	New Titles Issued		% Change
	2000	2001		2000	2001	
North Auckland	1,231	1,090	-11.5%	5,652	4,981	-11.9%
South Auckland	610	547	-10.3%	2,622	2,070	-21.1%
Gisborne	29	28	-3.4%	138	151	9.4%
Taranaki	58	53	-8.6%	255	176	-31.0%
Hawke's Bay	120	121	0.8%	276	280	1.4%
Wellington	464	331	-28.7%	1,845	1,236	-33.0%
Christchurch Region	656	521	-20.6%	2,505	1,856	-25.9%
Dunedin Region	183	208	13.7%	698	1,167	67.2%
TOTAL	3,351	2,899	-13.5%	13,991	11,917	-14.8%

Land title plan lodgements nationally were 13.5% lower during the 2001 September quarter than for the same period in 2000. Of the larger volume offices, Wellington had 28.7% fewer lodgements, while Christchurch, North Auckland and South Auckland were down by 20.6%, 11.5% and 10.3% respectively. Otago/Southland went against the trend, with an increase of 13.7% in plan lodgements.

New title issues nationally were down by 14.8% in 2000/01. Wellington was down by 33%, Christchurch by 26%, and South Auckland by 21%. Of the larger volume offices, only Otago/Southland went against the trend, recording an increase of 67% more new titles issued during the period.

See Graph 2 for monthly national volumes of title plan lodgements and new title issues during 1999/00 and 2000/01.

**Table 2 – Land title search activity volume comparisons
July - September periods 2000 and 2001**

	Title Searches		% Change	Guaranteed Searches		% Change	Document Searches		% Change	Total Searches % Change
	2000	2001		2000	2001		2000	2001		
North Auckland	68,426	70,033	2.3%	15,847	18,258	15.2%	16,134	17,872	10.8%	5.7%
South Auckland	30,268	32,664	7.9%	6,253	6,949	11.1%	6,330	6,597	4.2%	7.8%
Gisborne	2,692	2,509	-6.8%	406	440	8.4%	442	319	-27.8%	-7.7%
Taranaki	5,963	6,832	14.6%	643	847	31.7%	649	1,124	73.2%	21.3%
Hawke's Bay	8,205	7,713	-6.0%	1,456	1,648	13.2%	1,522	1,332	-12.5%	-4.4%
Wellington	34,899	21,142	-39.4%	7,673	6,805	-11.3%	7,105	4,613	-35.1%	-34.5%
Christchurch Region	36,386	45,225	24.3%	7,849	7,982	1.7%	9,932	7,968	-19.8%	12.9%
Dunedin Region	15,711	25,618	63.1%	2,332	3,348	43.6%	2,628	3,997	52.1%	59.5%
TOTAL	202,550	211,736	4.5%	42,459	46,277	9.0%	44,742	43,822	-2.1%	4.2%

Total search volumes nationally during July – September 2001 were 2.4% higher than for the same quarter in 2000. Guaranteed searches and document searches were down by 3.3% and 2.1% respectively, but title searches were up by 4.5%.

The large increases in searches in the Dunedin Region (up by a total of 60% for the quarter) may be largely attributable to the ease, and increasing use of **Landonline** searching.

See Graph 1 for monthly national land title search volumes, and Graph 3 for monthly national guaranteed title and title document search volumes during 1999/00 and 2000/01.

**Table 3 – Land title issue/re-issue performance
July - September 2001**

	July			August			September		
	10	12	15	10	12	15	10	12	15
Standard (%)	50%	75%	95%	50%	75%	95%	50%	75%	95%
North Auckland	90%	92%	96%	97%	98%	99%	86%	88%	91%
South Auckland	55%	92%	98%	73%	89%	99%	78%	96%	99%
Gisborne	14%	16%	25%	45%	57%	85%	48%	55%	57%
Taranaki	94%	97%	98%	91%	94%	98%	91%	95%	96%
Hawke's Bay	63%	92%	94%	16%	52%	78%	68%	81%	86%
Wellington	74%	90%	94%	67%	76%	85%	60%	70%	86%
Christchurch Region	83%	85%	89%	47%	74%	87%	17%	20%	50%
Dunedin Region	88%	89%	91%	91%	93%	95%	92%	93%	95%

The performance for title issues/re-issues during the July – September 2001 quarter has continued to be affected by the conversion to **Landonline**. Other offices were in various stages of preparation for the changeover to the new system during the quarter and, with the exception of North Auckland, South Auckland and Taranaki, have also been unable to consistently meet the timeliness standards for this activity.

**Table 4 – Survey plan lodgements
July - September periods 2000 and 2001**

	July			August			September			Total Quarter		
	2000	2001	% Change	2000	2001	% Change	2000	2001	% Change	2000	2001	% Change
North Auckland	432	399	-7.6%	472	425	-10.0%	446	355	-20.4%	1350	1179	-12.7%
South Auckland	192	211	9.9%	265	238	-10.2%	207	187	-9.7%	664	636	-4.2%
Gisborne	4	11	175.0%	14	20	42.9%	11	20	81.8%	29	51	75.9%
Taranaki	21	25	19.0%	28	23	-17.9%	20	17	-15.0%	69	65	-5.8%
Hawke's Bay	41	34	-17.1%	48	64	33.3%	55	37	-32.7%	144	135	-6.3%
Wellington	147	134	-8.8%	176	153	-13.1%	177	128	-27.7%	500	415	-17.0%
Christchurch Region	225	232	3.1%	240	173	-27.9%	241	203	-15.8%	706	608	-13.9%
Dunedin Region	73	85	16.4%	84	75	-10.7%	64	91	42.2%	221	251	13.6%
TOTAL	1,135	1,131	-0.4%	1,327	1,171	-11.8%	1,221	1,038	-15.0%	3683	3340	-9.3%

Survey plan lodgements for the July – September 2001 quarter were down by 9.3% compared to the same quarter in 2000. Of the larger volume offices, changes ranged from a decrease of 17% in Wellington, to an increase of 13.6% in Otago/Southland.

See Graph 4 for monthly national survey plan lodgements and approvals during 1999/00 and 2000/01.

**Table 5 – Survey plan volumes lodged by accredited and non-accredited surveyors
July - September 2001**

	July				August				September				Total Quarter			
	Accd	% of Total	Non-Accd	% of Total	Accd	% of Total	Non-Accd	% of Total	Accd	% of Total	Non-Accd	% of Total	Accd	% of Total	Non-Accd	% of Total
North Auckland	241	60.4%	158	39.6%	288	67.8%	137	32.2%	236	66.5%	119	33.5%	765	64.9%	414	35.1%
South Auckland	199	94.3%	12	5.7%	195	81.9%	43	18.1%	170	90.9%	17	9.1%	564	88.7%	72	11.3%
Gisborne	10	90.9%	1	9.1%	19	95.0%	1	5.0%	19	95.0%	1	5.0%	48	94.1%	3	5.9%
Taranaki	21	84.0%	4	16.0%	16	69.6%	7	30.4%	13	76.5%	4	23.5%	50	76.9%	15	23.1%
Hawke's Bay	21	61.8%	13	38.2%	42	65.6%	22	34.4%	19	51.4%	18	48.6%	82	60.7%	53	39.3%
Wellington	108	80.6%	26	19.4%	123	80.4%	30	19.6%	112	87.5%	16	12.5%	343	82.7%	72	17.3%
Christchurch Region	218	94.0%	14	6.0%	158	91.3%	15	8.7%	191	94.1%	12	5.9%	567	93.3%	41	6.7%
Dunedin Region	65	76.5%	20	23.5%	57	76.0%	18	24.0%	63	69.2%	28	30.8%	185	73.7%	66	26.3%
TOTAL	883	78.1%	248	21.9%	898	76.7%	273	23.3%	823	79.3%	215	20.7%	2,604	78.0%	736	22.0%

For the July – September 2001 quarter, 78% of all survey plans received were lodged by Accredited Surveyors. The figure for the same quarter in 2000 was 75.7%.

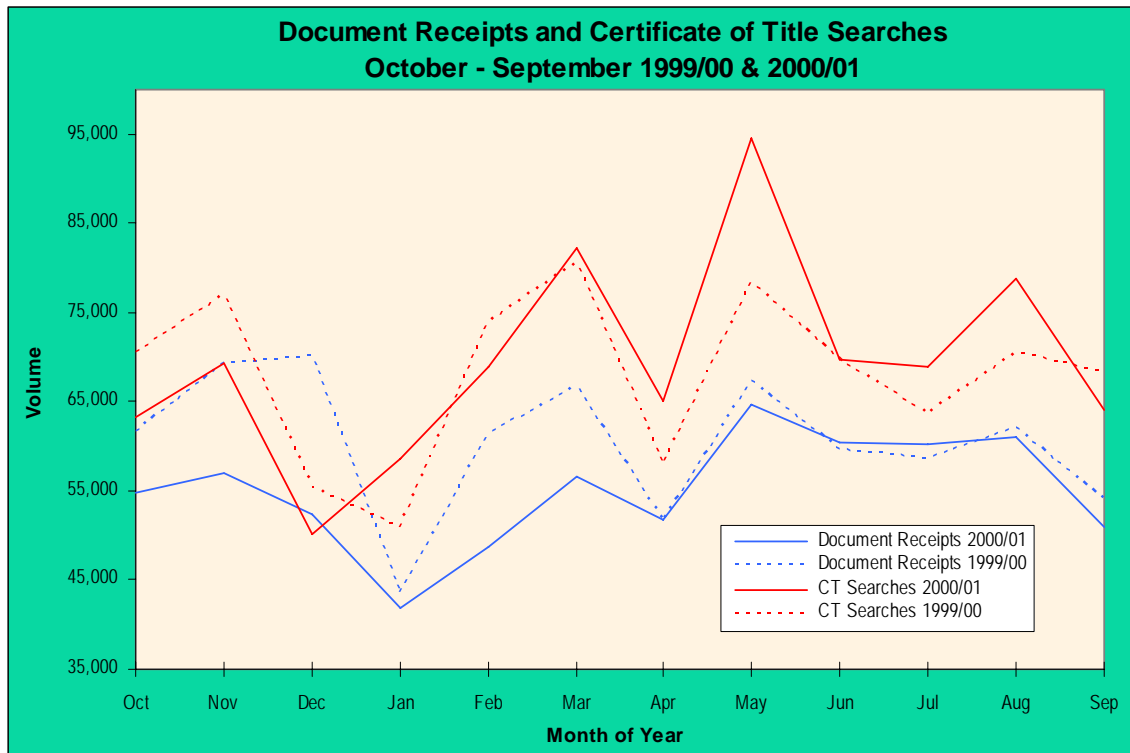
**Table 6 – Survey plan processing performance
July - September 2001**

Standard	Accredited Surveyors			Non-accredited Surveyors								
	90% processed in 10 working days						90% processed in 20 working days					
	July	August	September	July	August	September						
North Auckland	89%	74%	89%	94%	91%	91%						
South Auckland	97%	96%	98%	92%	100%	100%						
Gisborne	100%	100%	na	67%	100%	na						
Taranaki	96%	100%	83%	100%	100%	100%						
Hawke's Bay	75%	34%	11%	67%	67%	38%						
Wellington	53%	30%	31%	97%	63%	47%						
Christchurch Region	38%	15%	16%	33%	19%	41%						
Dunedin Region	26%	18%	6%	61%	71%	20%						
NATIONAL	67%	49%	54%	88%	77%	71%						

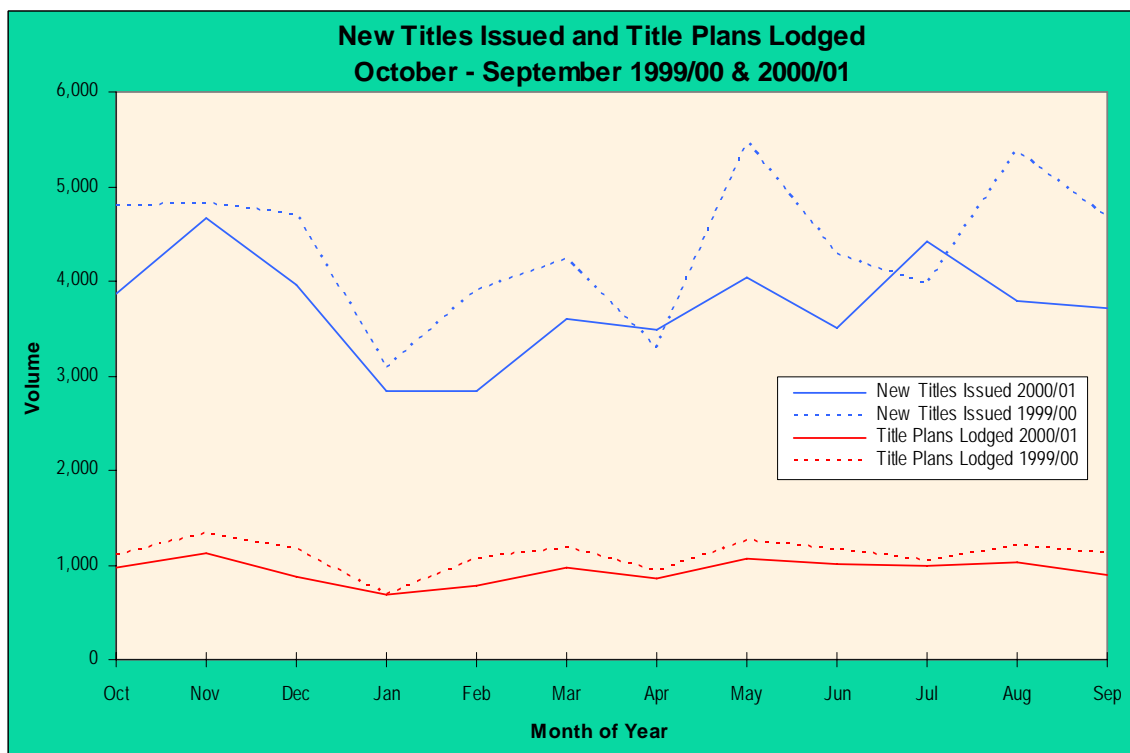
Note: The national performance is based on total plans processed - not on average individual office performance

Performance has been affected as further offices are converted to **Landonline**. Only South Auckland has been able to consistently meet the timeliness performance standards.

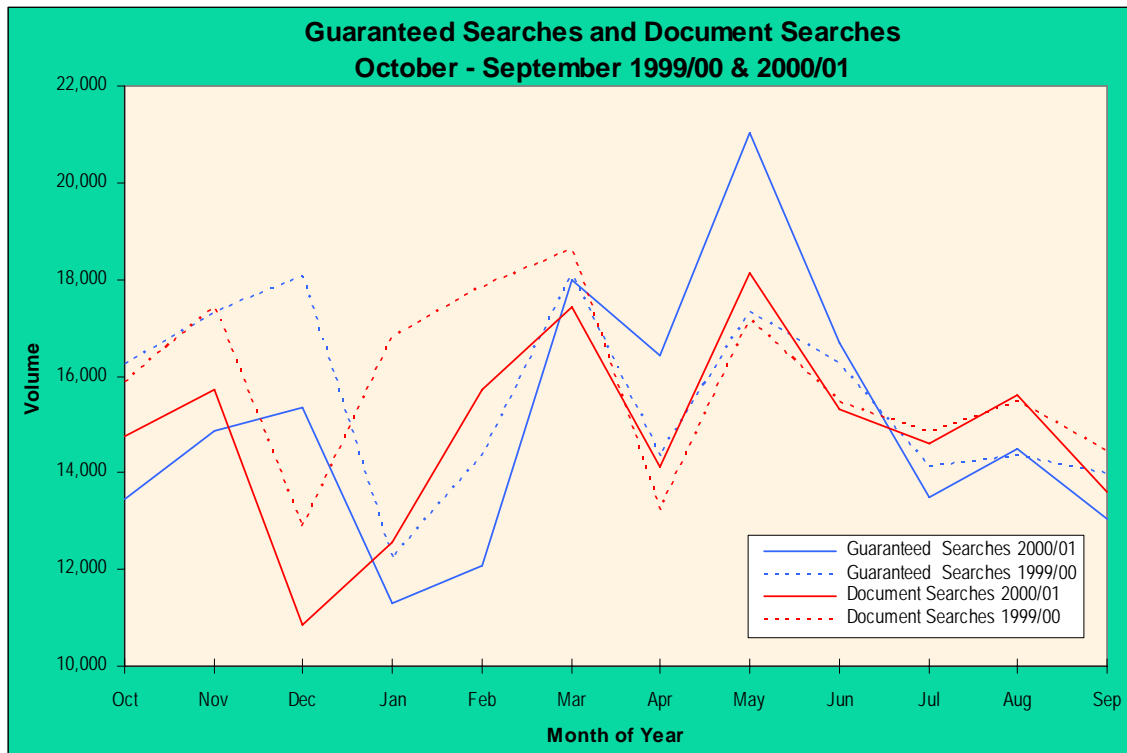
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Graph 4

