

Quarterly Statistics

Operational Statistics July 2001 – March 2002

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Note: The statistics in the following tables are reported on a regional basis. Following the implementation of **Landonline** all LINZ branch offices are now closed, and the figures that were reported for each branch office previously have been rolled up into the relevant regional office.

**Table 1a – Land title document receipts
July - March periods 2000/01 and 2001/02**

	Transfers		Mortgages		Discharged Mortgages		Others		Total for Period		% Change
	2000/01	2001/02	2000/01	2001/02	2000/01	2001/02	2000/01	2001/02	2000/01	2001/02	
Auckland Region	42,983	49,002	36,985	42,049	37,254	41,667	42,962	39,235	160,184	171,953	7.3%
Hamilton Region	25,043	26,303	19,010	20,057	19,602	20,181	25,816	21,523	89,471	88,064	-1.6%
Wellington Region	31,599	29,424	25,042	24,994	25,551	24,082	27,716	20,502	109,908	99,002	-9.9%
Christchurch Region	24,562	26,908	19,747	22,248	19,104	21,814	26,488	22,804	89,901	93,774	4.3%
Dunedin Region	11,510	13,955	8,383	9,464	7,923	9,438	8,742	11,384	36,558	44,241	21.0%
TOTAL	135,697	145,592	109,167	118,812	109,434	117,182	131,724	115,448	486,022	497,034	2.3%

The volume of land title documents received nationally during July 2001 - March 2002 was 2.3% higher than for same period in 2000/01. Against the general trend, Hamilton received 1.6% fewer documents, and Wellington was down by 9.9%.

See Graph 1 for monthly national document receipts during 2000/01 and 2001/02.

**Table 1b – Land title plans and new title issues
July - March periods 2000/01 and 2001/02**

	Title Plans Lodged		% Change	New Titles Issued		% Change
	2000/01	2001/02		2000/01	2001/02	
Auckland Region	3,264	3,066	-6.1%	14,676	12,417	-15.4%
Hamilton Region	1,740	1,236	-29.0%	6,889	5,408	-21.5%
Wellington Region	1,601	1,312	-18.1%	5,932	4,789	-19.3%
Christchurch Region	1,649	1,494	-9.4%	6,193	5,854	-5.5%
Dunedin Region	519	574	10.6%	2,089	2,865	37.1%
TOTAL	8,773	7,682	-12.4%	35,779	31,333	-12.4%

Land title plan lodgements nationally were 12.4% lower during July 2001- March 2002 than for the same period in 2000/01. Of the larger volume offices, Hamilton had 29% fewer lodgements, and Wellington was down by 18.1%. Dunedin Region went against the trend, with an increase in plan lodgements of 10.6%, on relatively low volume.

New title issues nationally were also down by 12.4% during July 2001- March 2002 compared to the same period in 2000/01. All of the large volume offices experienced significant reductions, and Dunedin was the only office to record an increase, with 37.1% more new titles being issued during the period.

See Graph 2 for monthly national volumes of title plan lodgements and new title issues during 2000/01 and 2001/02.

**Table 2 – Land title search volumes
July - March periods 2000/01 and 2001/02**

	Title Searches		% Change	Guaranteed Searches		% Change	Document Searches		% Change	Total Searches % Change
	2000/01	2001/02		2000/01	2001/02		2000/01	2001/02		
Auckland Region	197,424	219,977	11.4%	48,138	57,091	18.6%	48,666	54,466	11.9%	12.7%
Hamilton Region	106,414	114,067	7.2%	20,433	24,302	18.9%	20,743	19,337	-6.8%	6.9%
Wellington Region	122,925	120,555	-1.9%	28,737	27,053	-5.9%	26,826	20,993	-21.7%	-5.5%
Christchurch Region	106,884	141,315	32.2%	20,195	26,760	32.5%	27,703	31,784	14.7%	29.1%
Dunedin Region	61,634	74,142	20.3%	8,107	10,806	33.3%	7,902	11,391	44.2%	24.1%
TOTAL	595,281	670,056	12.6%	125,610	146,012	16.2%	131,840	137,971	4.7%	11.9%

Total search volumes nationally during July 2001 – March 2002 were 11.9% higher than for the same period in 2000/01. Guaranteed searches and title searches were up by 16.2% and 12.6% respectively. Document searches were up by 4.7%. Wellington was the only office to experience a decrease in searches.

There are indications that some of the increases in search volumes may be 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 2000/01 and 2001/02.

**Table 3 – Land title issue/re-issue performance
January - March 2002**

	January			February			March		
	10	12	15	10	12	15	10	12	15
Standard (%)	50%	75%	95%	50%	75%	95%	50%	75%	95%
Auckland Region	57%	88%	95%	70%	88%	98%	13%	21%	43%
Hamilton Region	30%	47%	56%	54%	66%	79%	55%	57%	64%
Wellington Region	4%	5%	6%	4%	5%	5%	4%	5%	8%
Christchurch Region	9%	10%	12%	30%	40%	60%	64%	70%	75%
Dunedin Region	70%	83%	85%	26%	30%	42%	54%	61%	64%

The performance for title issues/re-issues during the January – March 2002 quarter continued to be affected by the conversion to **Landonline**. Most offices were in various stages of implementation, or preparation for the changeover to the new system and, with the exception of Auckland, have been unable to consistently meet all of the timeliness standards for this activity.

**Table 4 – Survey plan lodgements
January - March periods 2001 and 2002**

	January			February			March			Total Quarter		
	2001	2002	% Change	2001	2002	% Change	2001	2002	% Change	2001	2002	% Change
Auckland Region	235	218	-7.2%	311	326	4.8%	381	433	13.6%	927	977	5.4%
Hamilton Region	158	100	-36.7%	167	129	-22.8%	265	133	-49.8%	590	362	-38.6%
Wellington Region	153	130	-15.0%	166	155	-6.6%	207	123	-40.6%	526	408	-22.4%
Christchurch Region	126	217	72.2%	162	156	-3.7%	203	198	-2.5%	491	571	16.3%
Dunedin Region	74	70	-5.4%	65	90	38.5%	71	65	-8.5%	210	225	7.1%
TOTAL	746	735	-1.5%	871	856	-1.7%	1,127	952	-15.5%	2,744	2543	-7.3%

Survey plan lodgements for the January – March 2002 quarter were down by 7.3% compared to the same quarter in 2001. Changes ranged from a decrease of 38.6% in Hamilton to an increase of 16.3% in Christchurch.

See Graph 4 for monthly national survey plan lodgements and approvals during 2000/01 and 2001/02.

**Table 5 – Surveyor accreditation
January - March 2002**

	January				February				March				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
Auckland Region	156	71.6%	62	28.4%	233	71.5%	93	28.5%	341	78.8%	92	21.2%	730	74.7%	247	25.3%
Hamilton Region	84	84.0%	16	16.0%	114	88.4%	15	11.6%	108	81.2%	25	18.8%	306	84.5%	56	15.5%
Wellington Region	102	78.5%	28	21.5%	117	75.5%	38	24.5%	110	89.4%	13	10.6%	329	80.6%	79	19.4%
Christchurch Region	196	90.3%	21	9.7%	141	90.4%	15	9.6%	184	92.9%	14	7.1%	521	91.2%	50	8.8%
Dunedin Region	51	72.9%	19	27.1%	64	71.1%	26	28.9%	45	69.2%	20	30.8%	160	71.1%	65	28.9%
TOTAL	882	77.7%	253	22.3%	871	77.0%	260	23.0%	646	80.3%	158	19.7%	2,399	78.1%	671	21.9%

For the January – March 2002 quarter, 78.1% of all survey plans received were lodged by Accredited Surveyors. The figure for the same quarter in 2001 was 73.0%.

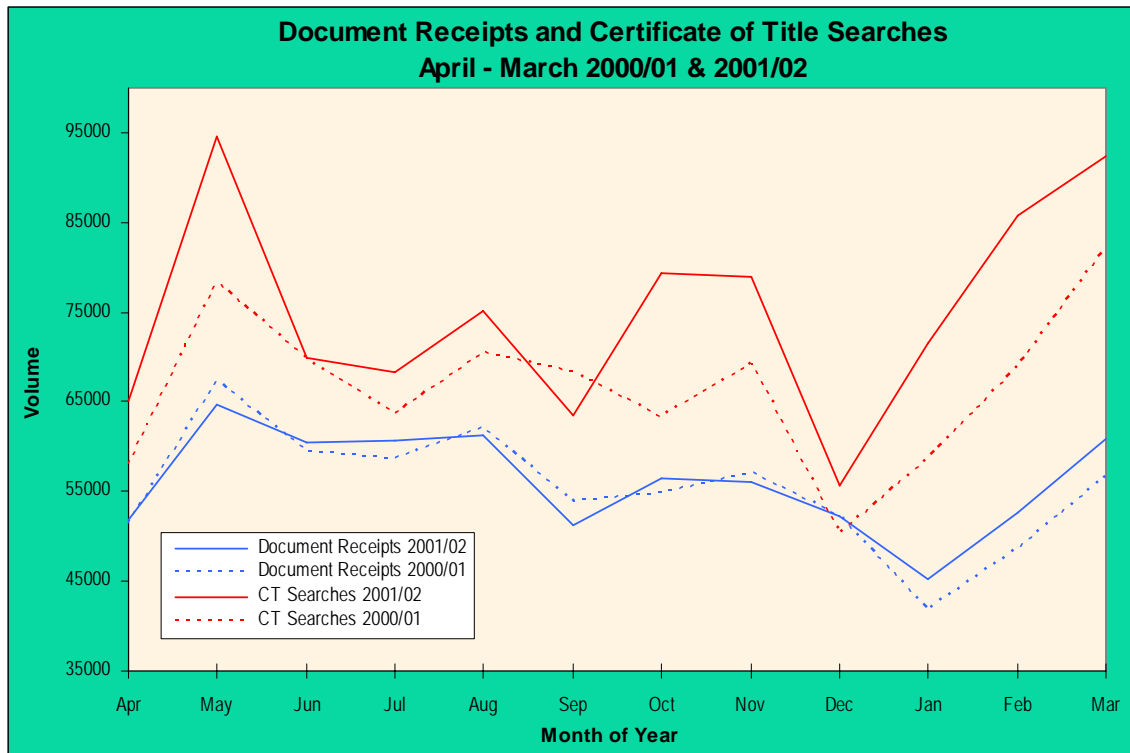
**Table 6 – Survey plan processing performance
January - March 2002**

Standard	Accredited Surveyors			Non-accredited Surveyors		
	90% processed in 10 working days			90% processed in 20 working days		
	January	February	March	January	February	March
Auckland Region	81%	93%	95%	69%	92%	79%
Hamilton Region	26%	9%	8%	67%	50%	66%
Wellington Region	16%	22%	21%	25%	30%	26%
Christchurch Region	28%	55%	71%	62%	70%	55%
Dunedin Region	9%	41%	5%	21%	67%	58%
NATIONAL	35%	46%	51%	54%	68%	65%

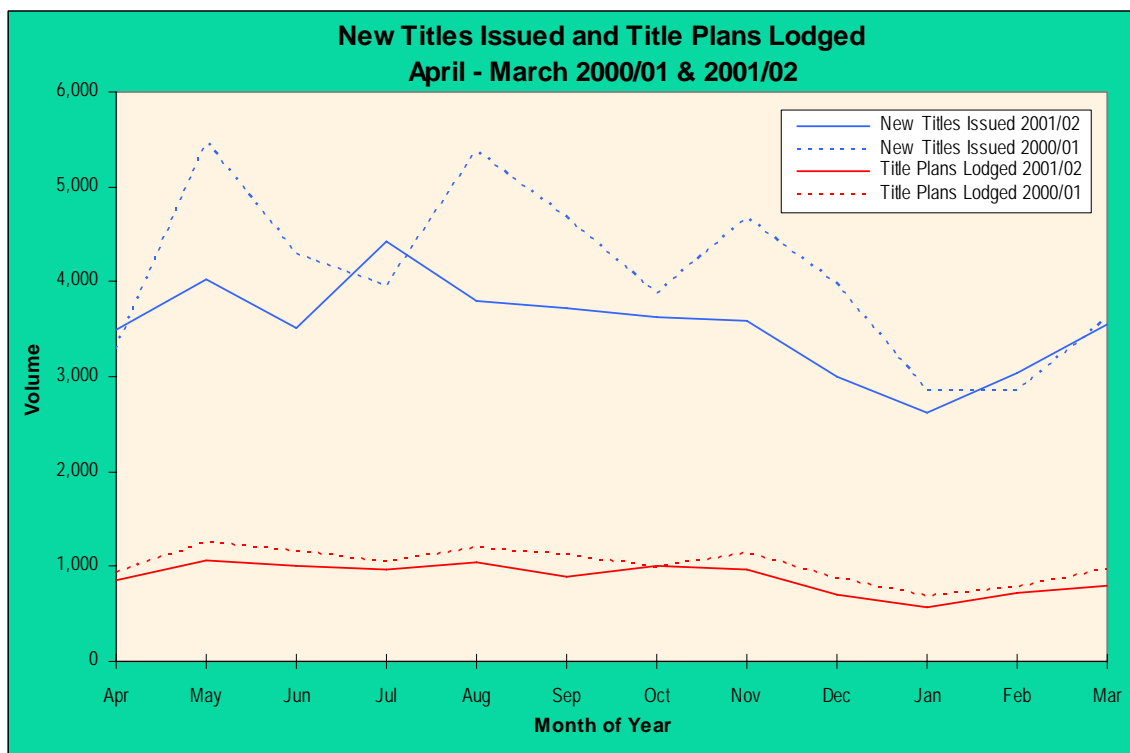
Note: The national performance is based on total plans processed - not on average individual office performance

Performance has been affected as further offices are converted to **Landonline**. None of the **Landonline** offices has yet been able to meet the timeliness performance standards.

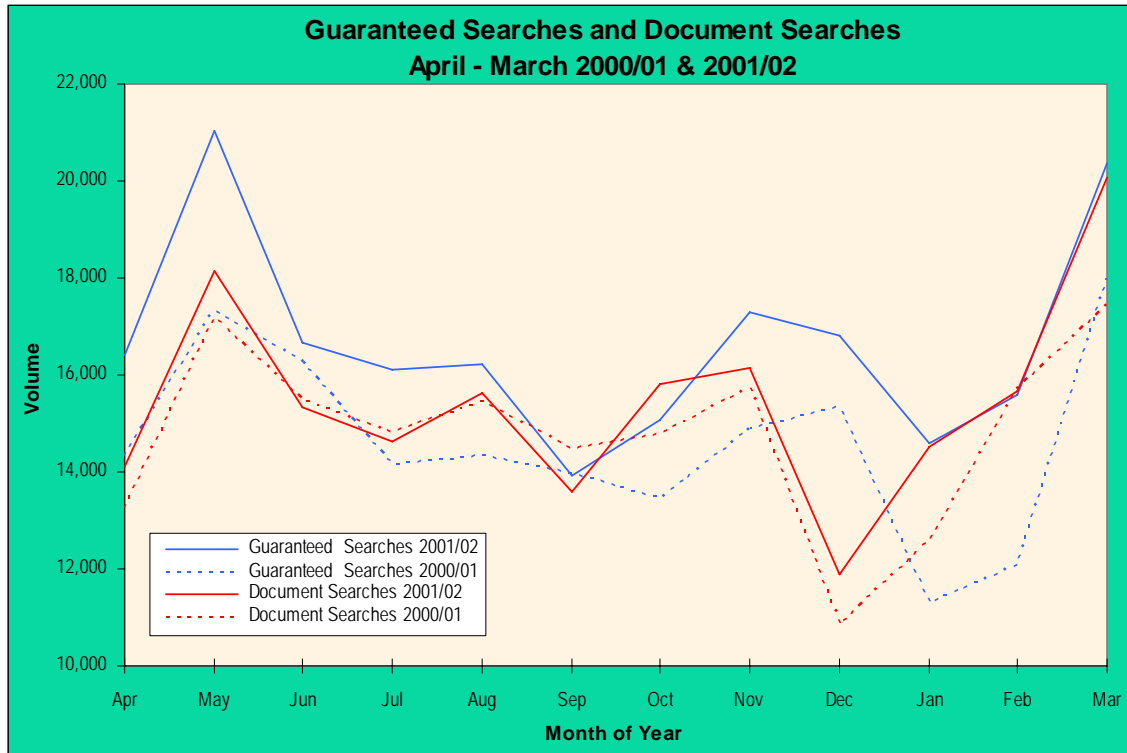
Graph 1



Graph 2



Graph 3



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