

Quarterly Statistics

Operational Statistics July 2003 – March 2004

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These are the operational statistics nationally and for each processing centre. Figures for Land Districts (LDs) are rolled into the figures for each processing centre as follows:

Auckland – North Auckland LD

Hamilton – South Auckland and Taranaki LDs

Wellington – Wellington, Gisborne and Hawke's Bay LDs

Christchurch – Canterbury, Nelson, Marlborough and Westland LDs

Dunedin – Otago and Southland LDs

**Table 1 - Land title document lodgements - volume comparisons
July - March periods 2002/03 and 2003/04**

Region	Transfers		Mortgages		Discharged Mortgages		Others		Total for Period		
	2002/03	2003/04	2002/03	2003/04	2002/03	2003/04	2002/03	2003/04	2002/03	2003/04	% Change
Auckland	59,939	74,380	51,481	66,009	49,921	65,630	42,425	45,811	203,766	251,830	23.6%
Hamilton	33,408	40,174	25,184	31,026	24,819	30,624	22,502	23,503	105,913	125,327	18.3%
Wellington	30,777	39,617	25,307	33,222	25,121	33,127	21,647	24,934	102,852	130,900	27.3%
Christchurch	34,075	39,106	27,087	31,694	26,819	31,425	26,723	26,591	114,704	128,816	12.3%
Dunedin	20,157	17,815	13,823	12,857	14,166	12,949	13,541	11,757	61,687	55,378	-10.2%
TOTAL	178,356	211,092	142,882	174,808	140,846	173,755	126,838	132,596	588,922	692,251	17.5%

The volume of land title documents lodged nationally during the July 2003 – March 2004 period were 17.5% higher than for the same period in 2002/03.

See Graph 1 for monthly national title document lodgements during 2002/03 and 2003/04

**Table 2 – Land title plan lodgements and new title issues comparisons
July – March periods 2002/03 and 2003/04**

Region	Title Plans Lodged			New Titles Issued		
	2002/03	2003/04	% Change	2002/03	2003/04	% Change
Auckland	2,802	2,809	0.2%	12,522	15,621	24.7%
Hamilton	1,647	1,758	6.7%	6,558	7,221	10.1%
Wellington	1,357	1,480	9.1%	5,058	5,466	8.1%
Christchurch	1,495	1,714	14.6%	7,398	7,361	-0.5%
Dunedin	612	696	13.7%	2,793	2,821	1.0%
TOTAL	7,913	8,457	6.9%	34,329	38,490	12.1%

Land title plan lodgements nationally were 6.9% higher during July 2003 – March 2004 period than for the same period in 2002/03.

New title issues nationally were also higher, up by 12.1% during July 2003 – March 2004 period compared to the same period in 2002/03. A small decrease of 0.5% was recorded in Christchurch with a significant increase of 24.7% for Auckland.

*(Note however that the figures in the table do not precisely reflect the volume of physical new parcels created within each geographical region. Under **Landonline**, titles can be issued from any office throughout the country, regardless of where the transaction is lodged or the affected land is located.)*

See Graph 2 for monthly national volumes of title plan lodgements and new title issues during 2002/03 and 2003/04

**Table 3 – Survey plan volumes lodged in paper and electronic form
January – March 2004**

Region	January				February				March				Total Quarter			
	Paper	% of Total	e-lodgmt	% of Total	Paper	% of Total	e-lodgmt	% of Total	Paper	% of Total	e-lodgmt	% of Total	Paper	% of Total	e-lodgmt	% of Total
Auckland	270	100.0%	0	0.0%	309	100.0%	0	0.0%	390	100.0%	0	0.0%	969	100.0%	0	0.0%
Hamilton	178	100.0%	0	0.0%	200	100.0%	0	0.0%	271	99.3%	2	0.7%	649	99.7%	2	0.3%
Wellington	154	100.0%	0	0.0%	208	100.0%	0	0.0%	191	99.0%	2	1.0%	553	99.6%	2	0.4%
Christchurch	169	87.1%	25	12.9%	201	89.7%	23	10.3%	220	81.2%	51	18.8%	590	85.6%	99	14.4%
Dunedin	56	100.0%	0	0.0%	70	97.2%	2	2.8%	103	92.0%	9	8.0%	229	95.4%	11	4.6%
TOTAL	827	97.1%	25	2.9%	988	97.5%	25	2.5%	1,175	94.8%	64	5.2%	2,990	96.3%	114	3.7%

Electronic lodgements using **Landonline** are less than expected but are gaining momentum as an increasing number of Customers are adopting the new technology. As shown by the March figures, LINZ is now processing electronic lodgements in other offices as well as Christchurch.

**Table 4 – Land title document volumes lodged in paper and electronic form
January – March 2004**

Region	January				February				March				Total Quarter			
	Paper	% of Total	e-lodgmt	% of Total	Paper	% of Total	e-lodgmt	% of Total	Paper	% of Total	e-lodgmt	% of Total	Paper	% of Total	e-lodgmt	% of Total
Auckland	20,191	98.6%	279	1.4%	25,735	98.8%	307	1.2%	29,543	99.2%	248	0.8%	75,469	98.9%	834	1.1%
Hamilton	11,381	99.3%	77	0.7%	12,910	99.3%	96	0.7%	15,010	99.4%	94	0.6%	39,301	99.3%	267	0.7%
Wellington	12,211	98.1%	240	1.9%	12,953	98.3%	228	1.7%	15,464	97.5%	397	2.5%	40,628	97.9%	865	2.1%
Christchurch	11,471	98.6%	160	1.4%	12,387	98.8%	149	1.2%	15,345	98.4%	255	1.6%	39,203	98.6%	564	1.4%
Dunedin	5,002	98.8%	61	1.2%	5,397	99.2%	42	0.8%	6,431	99.3%	47	0.7%	16,830	99.1%	150	0.9%
TOTAL	60,256	98.7%	817	1.3%	69,382	98.8%	822	1.2%	81,793	98.7%	1,041	1.3%	211,431	98.7%	2,680	1.3%

Electronic lodgements using **Landonline** are less than expected as Customers are slow to pick up the new technology.

**Table 5 – Land title records supplied – volume comparisons
July - March periods 2002/03 and 2003/04**

Region	Cert. of Title Records Supplied			Guaranteed Title Records Supplied			Title Document Records Supplied			Total Records
	2002/03	2003/04	% Change	2002/03	2003/04	% Change	2002/03	2003/04	% Change	% Change
Auckland	349,041	461,307	32.2%	52,784	66,306	25.6%	69,836	91,349	30.8%	31.2%
Hamilton	146,476	200,049	36.6%	21,449	27,153	26.6%	31,332	39,517	26.1%	33.9%
Wellington	216,712	249,589	15.2%	35,119	34,594	-1.5%	41,326	42,729	3.4%	11.5%
Christchurch	168,760	224,874	33.3%	27,055	29,564	9.3%	42,852	47,313	10.4%	26.4%
Dunedin	82,449	100,503	21.9%	10,704	10,796	0.9%	12,098	13,316	10.1%	18.4%
TOTAL	963,438	1,236,322	28.3%	147,111	168,413	14.5%	197,444	234,224	18.6%	25.3%

Total search volumes nationally during the July 2003 – March 2004 year were 25.3% higher than for the same period in 2002/03. There was an increase in all categories with certificate of title searches up by 28.3%, guaranteed searches up by 14.5% and document searches up by 18.6%.

There are strong indications that some of the increases in search volumes are attributable to the ease and increasing use of **Landonline** searching compared to paper records searching and the high volume of property sales.

See Graph 3 for monthly national certificate of title search volumes,
Graph 4 for monthly national guaranteed title, and
Graph 5 for document search volumes during 2002/03 and 2003/04

**Table 6 – Land title document processing performance
January – March 2004**

Region	January	February	March	Quarter
	% within 15 working days (standard is 90%)			
Auckland	91%	92%	95%	93%
Hamilton	94%	93%	92%	93%
Wellington	94%	93%	95%	94%
Christchurch	94%	95%	96%	95%
Dunedin	94%	97%	97%	96%
National	93%	93%	95%	94%

The performance for title document processing during the January – March 2004 quarter continued to exceed the standard of 90% completed within 15 working days and was met nationally and on a regional basis in every month of the quarter.

**Table 7 – Survey plan lodgements
January - March periods 2003 and 2004**

Region	January			February			March			Total Quarter		
	2003	2004	% Change	2003	2004	% Change	2003	2004	% Change	2003	2004	% Change
Auckland	245	270	10.2%	324	309	-4.6%	354	390	10.2%	923	969	5.0%
Hamilton	169	178	5.3%	206	200	-2.9%	216	273	26.4%	591	651	10.2%
Wellington	113	154	36.3%	166	208	25.3%	165	193	17.0%	444	555	25.0%
Christchurch	153	194	26.8%	177	224	26.6%	201	271	34.8%	531	689	29.8%
Dunedin	47	56	19.1%	64	72	12.5%	62	112	80.6%	173	240	38.7%
TOTAL	727	852	17.2%	937	1,013	8.1%	998	1,239	24.1%	2662	3104	16.6%

Survey plan lodgements for the January – March 2004 quarter were up by 16.6% nationally, compared to the same quarter in 2003. All regions showed increases with Dunedin at 38.7% being the highest.

See Graph 6 for monthly national survey plan lodgements during 2002/03 and 2003/04

**Table 8 – Survey plan processing performance
January – March 2004**

Region	PAPER LODGEMENT			
	January	February	March	Quarter
	% within 25 working days (standard is 90%)			
Auckland	99%	91%	96%	95%
Hamilton	99%	96%	95%	96%
Wellington	91%	97%	96%	95%
Christchurch	98%	98%	98%	98%
Dunedin	97%	96%	95%	96%
National	97%	95%	96%	96%

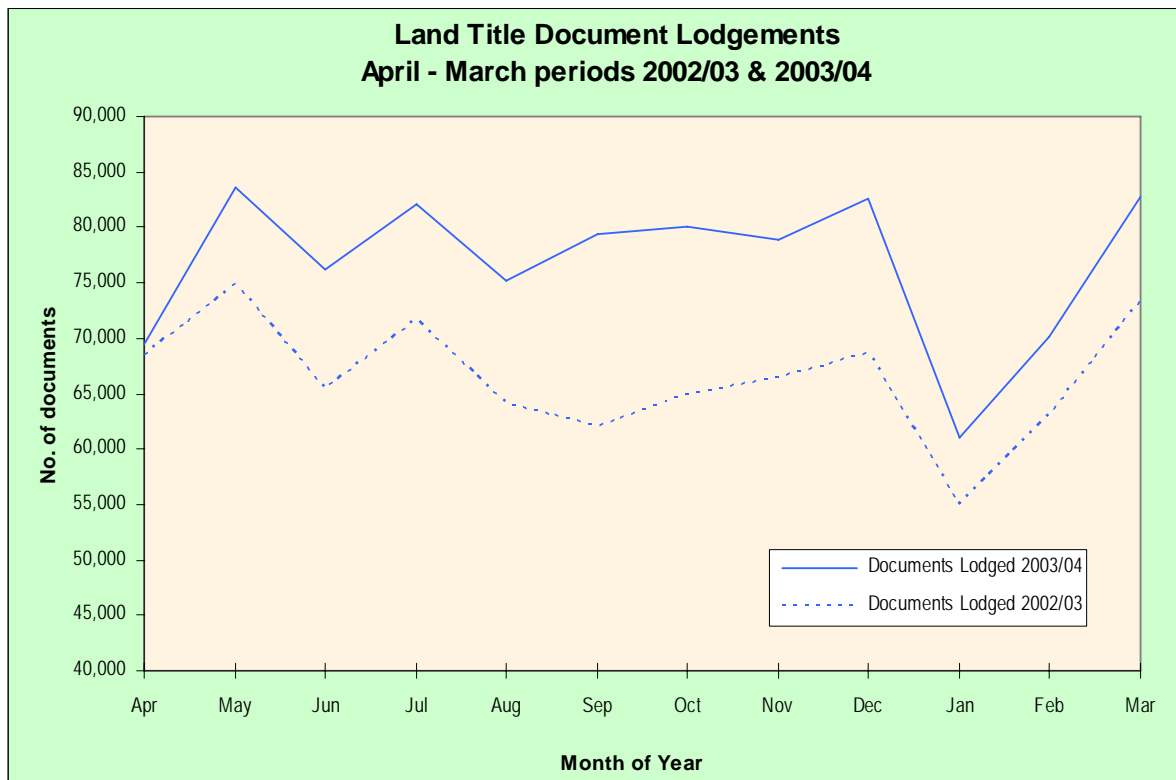
Region	ELECTRONIC LODGEMENT			
	January	February	March	Quarter
	% within 10 working days (standard is 90%)			
Auckland	-	-	-	-
Hamilton	-	-	100%	100%
Wellington	-	-	100%	100%
Christchurch	100%	100%	100%	100%
Dunedin	-	-	100%	100%
National	100%	100%	100%	100%

Landonline Stage II pilot commenced on 18 November 2002

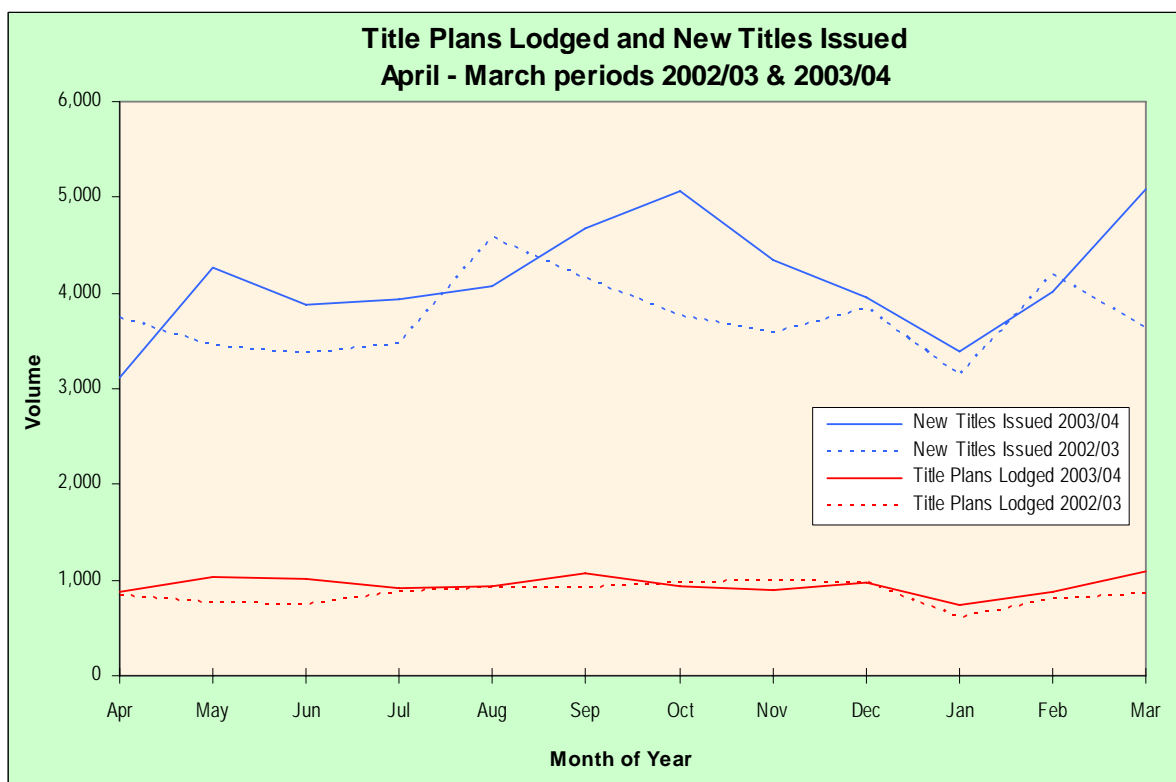
The performance for survey plan processing for the January – March 2004 quarter continued to improve, with the standard of 90% of paper lodged plans completed within 25 working days being met nationally and on a regional basis in every month in the quarter.

For elodged plans processed, the standard is 90% of plans lodged in electronic form are to be processed within 10 working days. This standard was again met nationally and on a regional basis in every month in the quarter. As shown by the March figures, LINZ is now processing electronic lodgements in other offices as well as Christchurch.

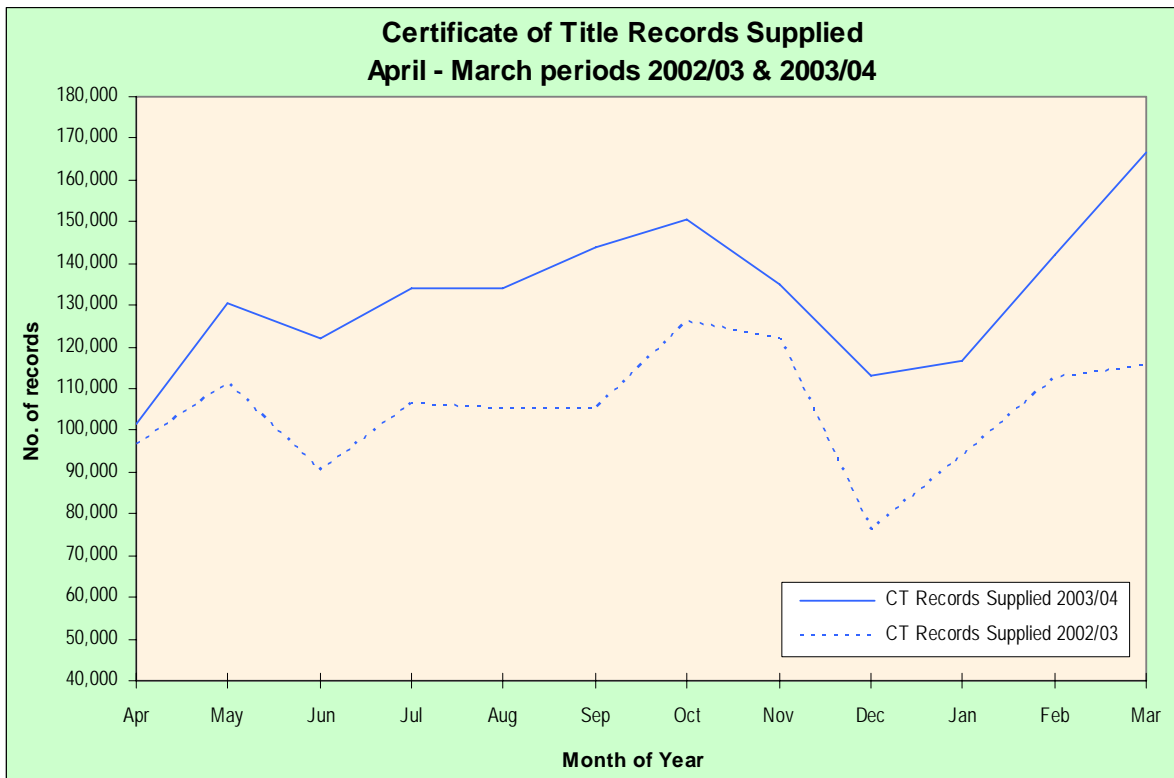
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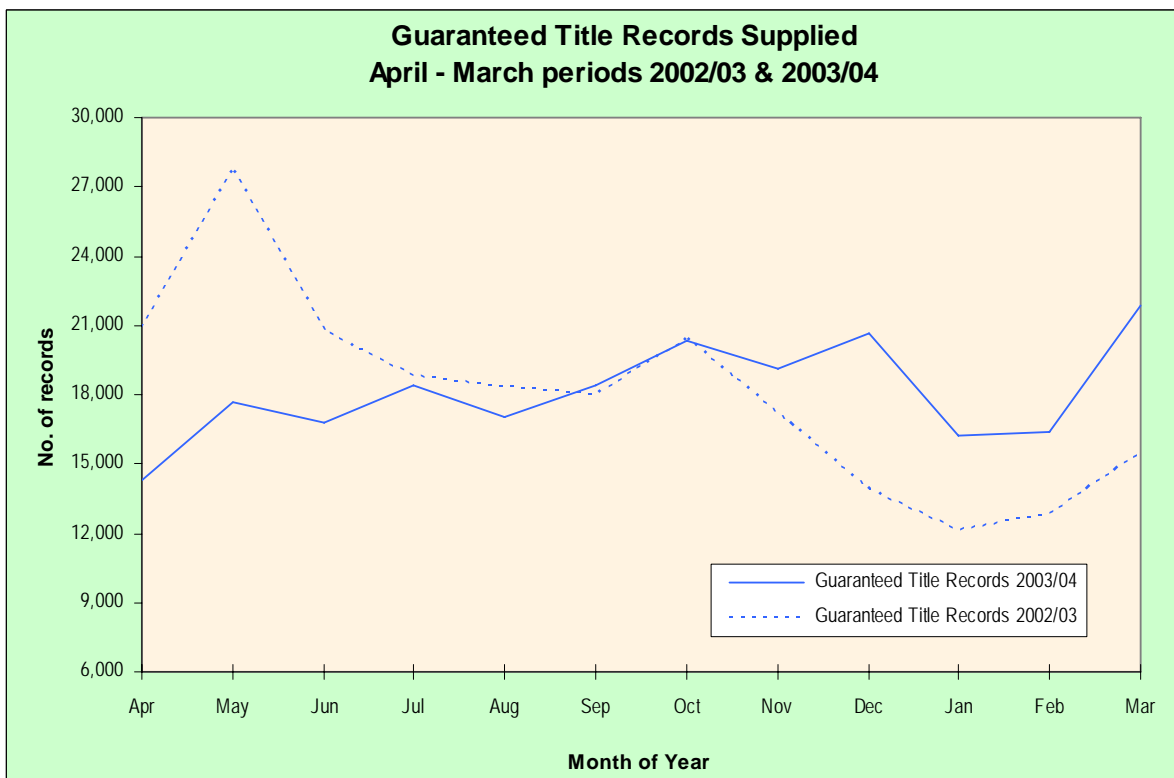
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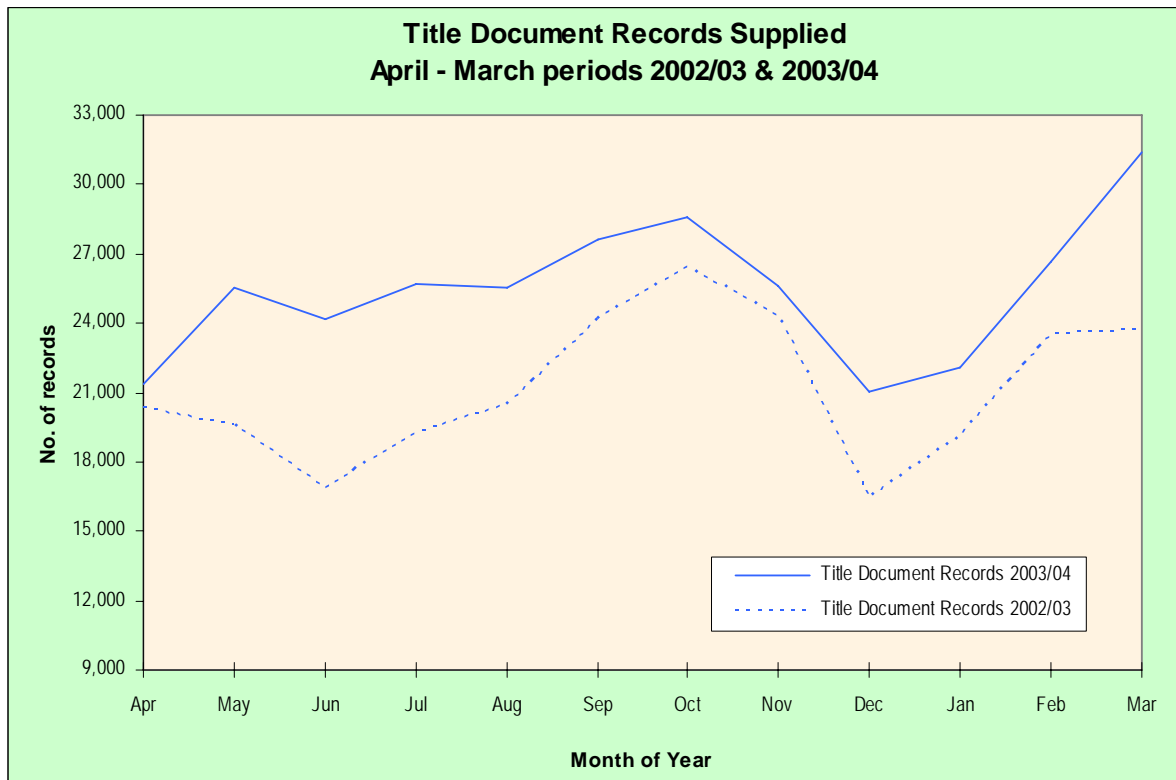
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Graph 6

