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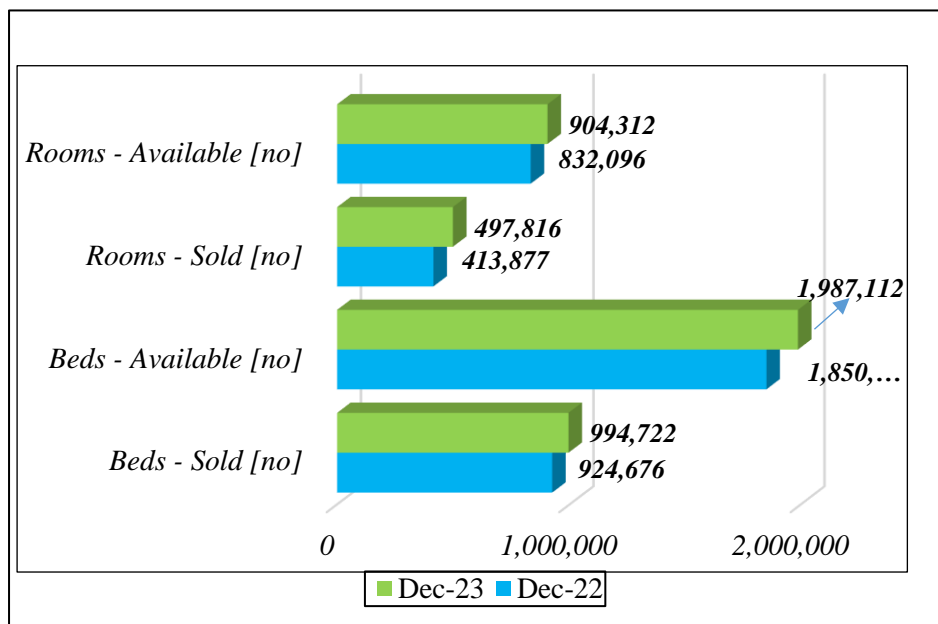
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PROVISIONAL HOTELS AND TOURIST ACCOMMODATION STATISTICS, DECEMBER QUARTER AND ANNUAL 2023

Findings from the December Quarter, 2023 survey of Licensed Hotels, Resorts and Lodging Houses are presented in this release.

Summary of Licensed Accommodation for December Quarter 2022 – 2023

Figure 1: Rooms and Beds Available & Sold 2022-2023



Key Points:

- The number of Rooms Available increased by **8.7%** (72,216).
- The number of Rooms Sold increased by **20.3%** (83,939). This vast increase is due to re-opening of hotels & other tourist accommodation.
- The Room Occupancy Rate increased by **5.3** percentage points to **55.0%**.
- The number of Beds Available increased by **7.4%** (136,870).
- The number of Beds Sold increased by **7.6%** (70,046).
- The Bed Occupancy Rate increased by **0.1** percentage points to **50.1%**.

Figure 2: Rooms and Beds Available & Sold for Annual 2022 & 2023

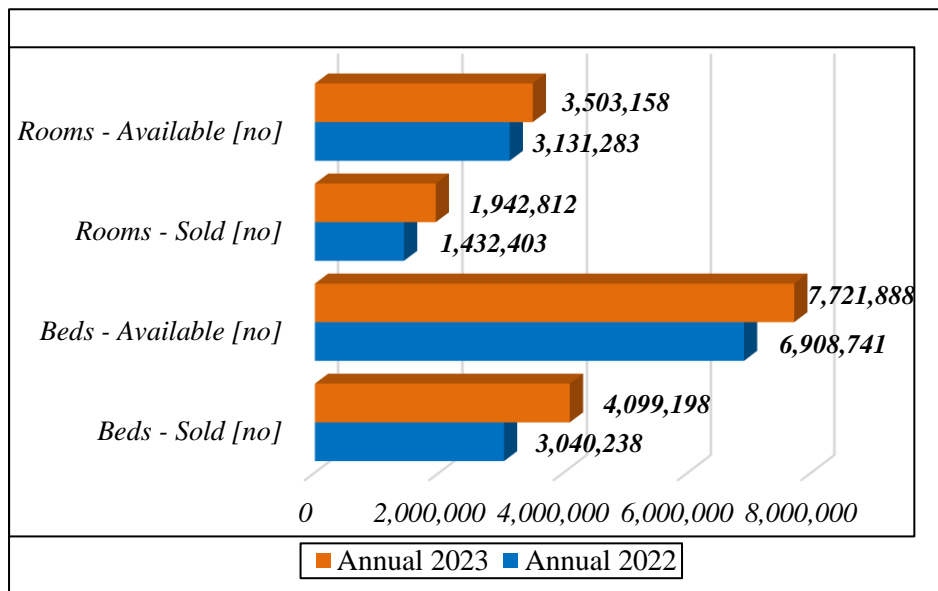


Figure 2 shows:

- Total Rooms Available and Rooms Sold increased by **11.9%** and **35.6%** respectively.
- Total Beds Available and Beds Sold increased by **11.8%** and **34.8%** respectively.

Table 1

<i>Licensed Accommodation</i>	<i>December Qrt. 2023</i>	<i>December Qrt. 2022</i>	<i>% Change</i>	<i>Annual 2023</i>	<i>Annual 2022</i>	<i>% Change</i>
Overall Takings [FJD million]	354.0	257.7	37.4	1,367.2	862.4	58.5
No. of Employees	12,282	9,956	23.4	11,745	8,437	39.2
			<i>% Points Change</i>			<i>% Points Change</i>
<i>Room-Occupancy Rate [%]</i>	55.0	49.7	5.3	55.5	45.7	9.8
<i>Beds-Occupancy Rate [%]</i>	50.1	50.0	0.1	53.1	44.0	9.1

Source: Data provisions from the survey of Licensed Hotels, Resorts and Lodging Houses.

Table 1 Key Points:

- Takings from Accommodation, Sales of Food, Liquor, Telephone and Other Miscellaneous Charges totaled **\$354.0** million, an increase of **37.4%**.
- Total turnover recorded in 2023 was **\$1,367.2**, an increase of **58.5%**
- Paid Employment in the Hotel Sector in December Quarter, 2023 increased by **23.4%** compared to December Quarter, 2022.

Figure 2: December Quarter Room Occupancy [%] and Visitors by Years

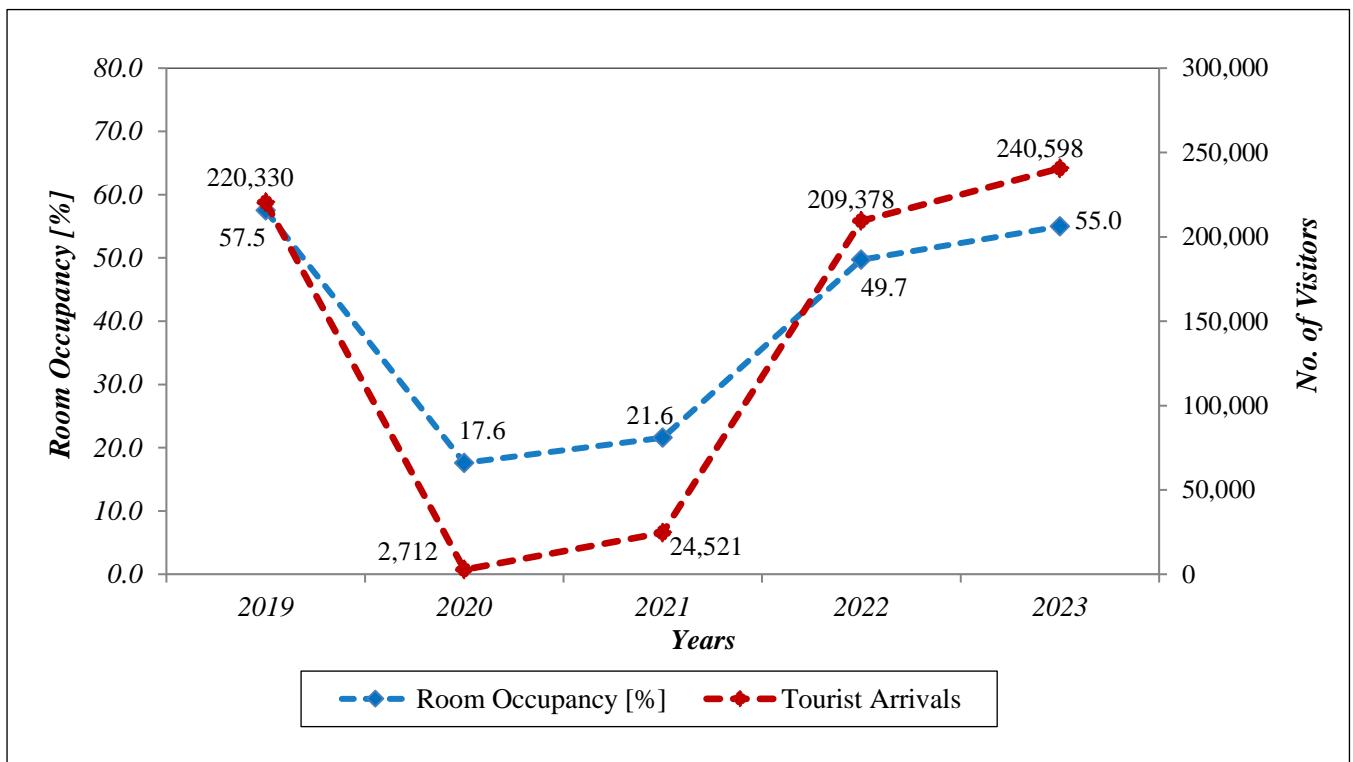
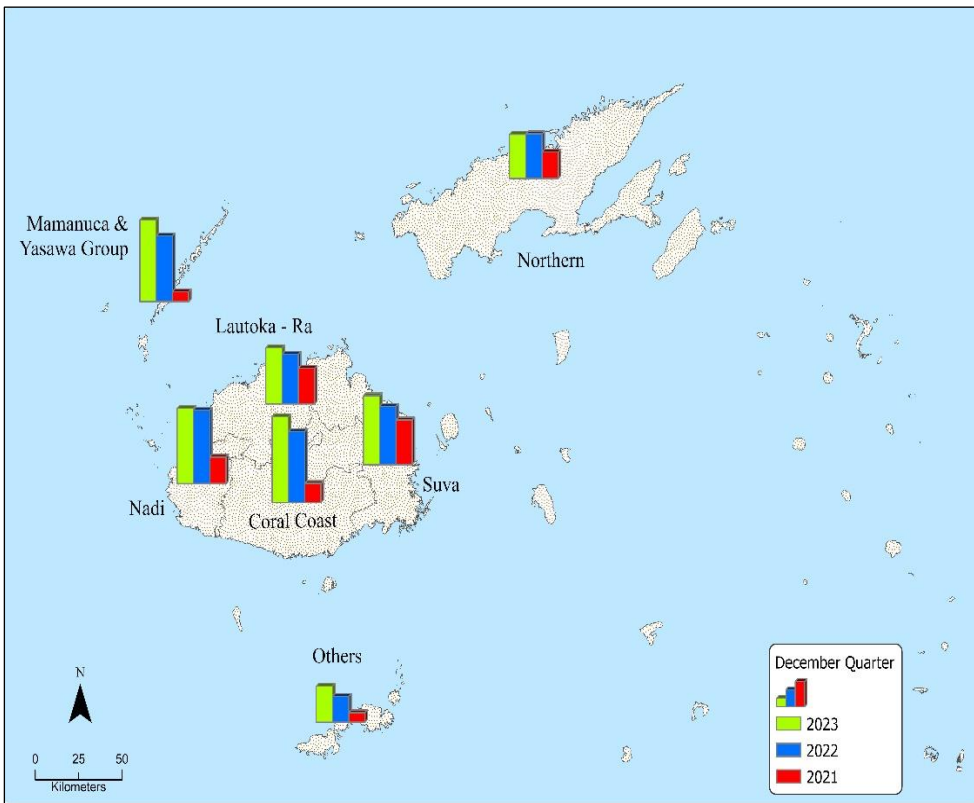


Figure 2 Key Point:

The Room Occupancy Rate increased by **5.3%** from **49.7 %** to **55.0%** for the same period last year.

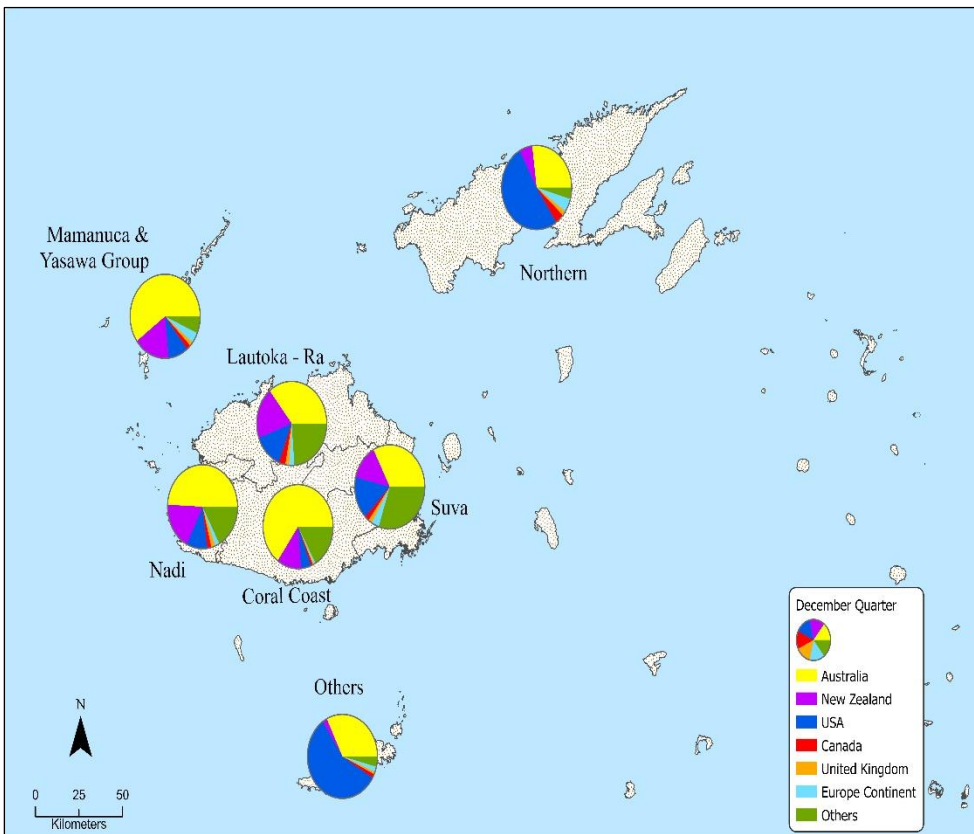
Map 1: December Quarters Room Occupancy (%) from 2021-2023



Key Points;

- The December Quarter 2023 room occupancy has increased in all areas, except for Northern area when compared to December Quarter 2022.
- Fourth Quarter data shows that Suva, Nadi, Coral Coast and Mamanuca & Yasawa Group areas recorded a vast increase in room occupancy.

Map 2: December Quarter 2023 Visitors by Country and by Area



Key Points;

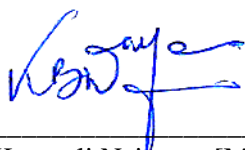
- Nadi and Coral Coast area recorded a huge number of visitors from Australia.
- Northern area recorded the highest number of visitors from United States of America.
- Suva area also recorded a large number of visitors from Other countries, of whom majority were from Japan and other Pacific Islands.

More detailed information is provided in the accompanying tables.

- **Table 1:** Rooms Available by Area (no.);
- **Table 2:** Rooms Sold by Area (no.);
- **Table 3:** Room Occupancy by Area (%);
- **Table 4:** Beds Available by Area (no.);
- **Table 5:** Beds Sold by Area (no.);
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- **Table 10:** Hotel Receipts by Area (FJ\$000); and
- **Table 11:** Paid Employment (no.).

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Provisional Hotels and Other Tourist Accommodation Statistics for March Quarter of 2024 will be released at the end of June, 2024.



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Explanatory Notes

Introduction

This release contains data from the monthly survey of Hotels and other Tourist Accommodation

- A response rate of 85% was recorded for Type A Hotels.
- “There are 84 Hotels in this category. The estimate for non-response is derived from figures supplied in the previous corresponding quarter”.

Scope

The survey includes the following categories of establishments, which provide predominantly short-term non-residential accommodation to Tourist and the general public.

- **Type A** Hotels with more than 50 rooms
 - less than 49 rooms with centralized Dinning and Bar facilities including other services like spas, massage, wedding, laundry, surfing etc.
- **Type B** - Bures, Cottages and Apartment with centralized dinning and bar Facilities and other services like stated in type A and also self-catering facilities.
- **Type C** - Guest Houses and similar establishments providing dormitory type accommodation, bed only or bed and breakfast.

Coverage

Hotels, Resorts and Lodging Houses with license to operate.

Unlicensed lodging houses are not included.

Table 1

Rooms Available by Area (no)

Area	Mar Ort.		Jun Ort.		Sept Ort.		Dec Ort.		Total	
	2023 [r]	2022	2023 [r]	2022	2023 [r]	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
Suva	149,101	148,799	149,802	147,056	153,579	148,862	146,018	138,123	598,500	582,840
Nadi	291,913	261,394	359,113	345,752	377,950	350,933	373,879	353,799	1,402,855	1,311,878
Lautoka	48,237	38,155	58,283	56,139	55,434	54,759	56,423	56,423	218,377	205,476
Coral Coast	155,354	137,026	170,135	134,492	167,357	153,448	155,974	150,675	648,820	575,641
Yasawa & Mamanuca Group	85,333	24,792	82,172	61,613	86,253	65,918	94,047	64,193	347,805	216,516
Northern Division	50,813	42,213	56,075	50,433	54,099	47,220	61,002	56,309	221,989	196,175
Others	13,199	6,256	20,057	12,206	14,587	11,721	16,969	12,574	64,812	42,757
Total	793,950	658,635	895,637	807,691	909,259	832,861	904,312	832,096	3,503,158	3,131,283

Table 2

Rooms Nights Sold by Area (no)

Area	Mar Ort.		Jun Ort.		Sept Ort.		Dec Ort.		Total	
	2023[r]	2022	2023[r]	2022	2023[r]	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
Suva	54,939	39,981	71,572	66,120	78,873	65,592	76,112	60,913	281,496	232,606
Nadi	165,665	72,878	229,969	176,716	254,443	204,236	213,136	197,215	863,213	651,045
Lautoka	21,335	14,259	23,465	18,785	25,223	22,330	24,011	21,235	94,034	76,609
Coral Coast	83,751	39,232	108,714	79,471	117,402	91,510	101,372	81,016	411,239	291,229
Yasawa & Mamanuca Group	35,127	8,016	44,648	31,836	54,408	31,973	58,190	31,944	192,373	103,769
Northern Division	17,318	10,693	22,741	19,649	20,138	17,369	20,363	19,102	80,560	66,813
Others	4,535	922	5,063	3,683	5,667	3,275	4,632	2,452	19,897	10,332
Total	382,670	185,981	506,172	396,260	556,154	436,285	497,816	413,877	1,942,812	1,432,403

Table 3

Room Occupancy by Area (%)

Area	Mar Ort.		Jun Ort.		Sept Ort.		Dec Ort.		Total	
	2023[r]	2022	2023[r]	2022	2023[r]	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
Suva	36.8	26.9	47.8	45.0	51.4	44.1	52.1	44.1	47.0	39.9
Nadi	56.8	27.9	64.0	51.1	67.3	58.2	57.0	55.7	61.5	49.6
Lautoka	44.2	37.4	40.3	33.5	45.5	40.8	42.6	37.6	43.1	37.3
Coral Coast	53.9	28.6	63.9	59.1	70.2	59.6	65.0	53.8	63.4	50.6
Yasawa & Mamanuca Group	41.2	32.3	54.3	51.7	63.1	48.5	61.9	49.8	55.3	47.9
Northern Division	34.1	25.3	40.6	39.0	37.2	36.8	33.4	33.9	36.3	34.1
Others	34.4	14.7	25.2	30.2	38.8	27.9	27.3	19.5	30.7	24.2
Total	48.2	28.2	56.5	49.1	61.2	52.4	55.0	49.7	55.5	45.7

Figure 1

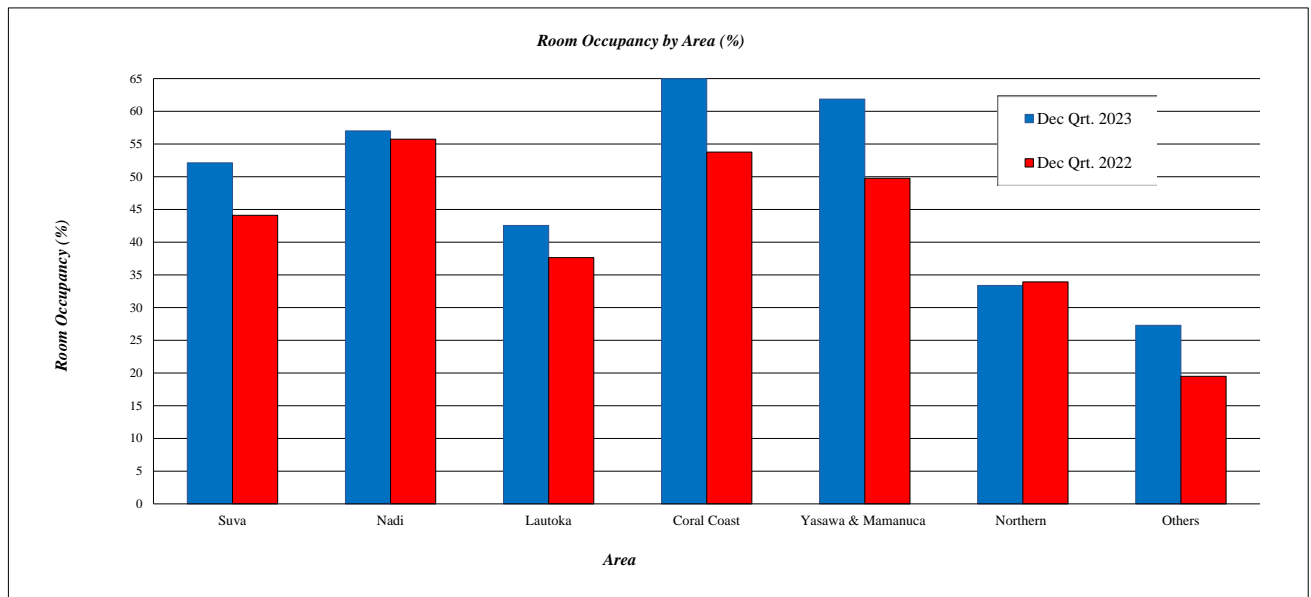


Table 4

Beds Available by Area (no)

Area	Mar Qrt.		Jun Qrt.		Sept Qrt.		Dec Qrt.		Total	
	2023[r]	2022	2023[r]	2022	2023[r]	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
Suva	297,828	294,938	305,635	301,151	304,643	297,980	282,771	268,488	1,190,877	1,162,557
Nadi	624,037	528,153	768,051	735,761	851,507	807,426	813,097	801,247	3,056,692	2,872,587
Lautoka	97,622	77,824	118,624	115,810	111,152	109,447	115,017	114,645	442,415	417,726
Coral Coast	353,498	311,593	395,076	316,448	409,076	390,145	369,752	363,276	1,527,402	1,381,462
Yasawa & Mamanuca Group	197,227	59,115	213,052	164,207	208,155	172,703	234,134	153,272	852,568	549,297
Northern Division	100,849	85,702	119,100	107,910	115,680	98,333	125,071	116,406	460,700	408,351
Others	39,773	14,960	59,246	36,986	44,945	31,907	47,270	32,908	191,234	116,761
Total	1,710,834	1,372,285	1,978,784	1,778,273	2,045,158	1,907,941	1,987,112	1,850,242	7,721,888	6,908,741

Table 5

Beds Sold by Area (no)

Area	Mar Qrt.		Jun Qrt.		Sept Qrt.		Dec Qrt.		Total	
	2023[r]	2022	2023[r]	2022	2023[r]	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
Suva	94,984	73,283	124,503	110,524	135,636	113,629	133,874	112,906	488,997	410,342
Nadi	370,200	140,420	435,349	341,362	547,609	434,947	408,681	455,116	1,761,839	1,371,845
Lautoka	39,339	29,052	44,705	35,064	46,465	42,090	37,656	41,386	168,165	147,592
Coral Coast	196,180	94,612	271,862	205,832	289,767	226,722	240,995	201,817	998,804	728,983
Yasawa & Mamanuca Group	98,579	19,890	127,228	84,348	148,686	74,974	131,301	75,439	505,794	254,651
Northern Division	26,606	14,099	36,799	30,217	35,931	26,540	33,007	31,801	132,343	102,657
Others	9,656	1,316	11,852	8,126	12,540	8,515	9,208	6,211	43,256	24,168
Total	835,544	372,672	1,052,298	815,473	1,216,634	927,417	994,722	924,676	4,099,198	3,040,238

Table 6

Bed Occupancy by Area (%)

Area	Mar Qrt.		Jun Qrt.		Sept Qrt.		Dec Qrt.		Total	
	2023[r]	2022	2023[r]	2022	2023[r]	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
Suva	31.9	24.8	40.7	36.7	44.5	38.1	47.3	42.1	41.1	35.3
Nadi	59.3	26.6	56.7	46.4	64.3	53.9	50.3	56.8	57.6	47.8
Lautoka	40.3	37.3	37.7	30.3	41.8	38.5	32.7	36.1	38.0	35.3
Coral Coast	55.5	30.4	68.8	65.0	70.8	58.1	65.2	55.6	65.4	52.8
Yasawa & Mamanuca Group	50.0	33.6	59.7	51.4	71.4	43.4	56.1	49.2	59.3	46.4
Northern Division	26.4	16.5	30.9	28.0	31.1	27.0	26.4	27.3	28.7	25.1
Others	24.3	8.8	20.0	22.0	27.9	26.7	19.5	18.9	22.6	20.7
Total	48.8	27.2	53.2	45.9	59.5	48.6	50.1	50.0	53.1	44.0

Figure 2

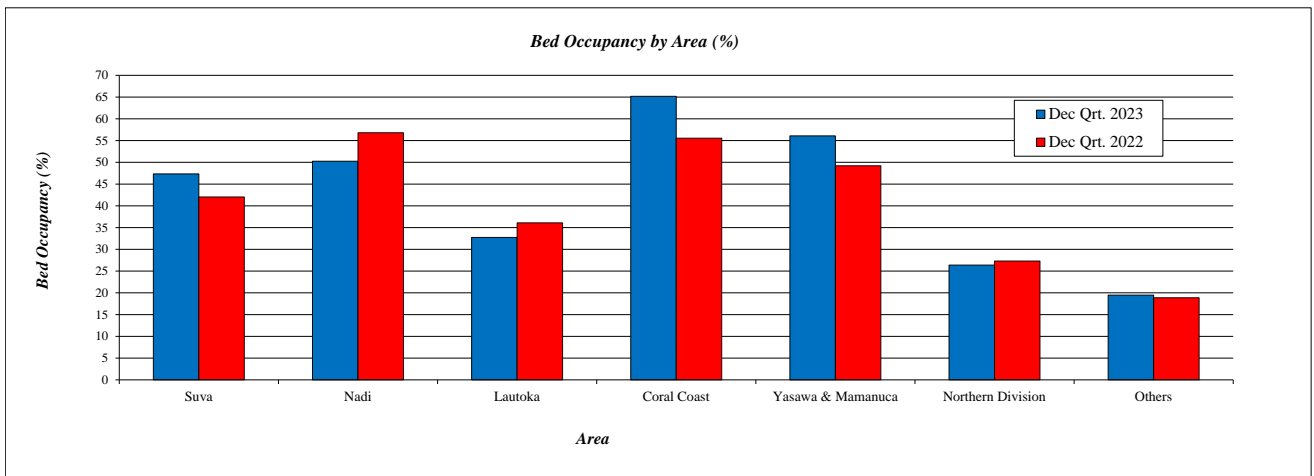


Table 7

Guest Nights by Country of Residence (no)*

Country	Mar Qrt.		Jun Qrt.		Sept Qrt.		Dec Qrt.		Total	
	2023[r]	2022	2023[r]	2022	2023[r]	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
Australia	387,334	153,898	460,054	378,430	503,262	385,066	412,795	392,187	1,763,445	1,309,581
USA	66,139	20,810	89,654	70,830	107,132	68,480	76,757	67,200	339,682	227,320
New Zealand	73,502	5,146	147,472	76,388	218,894	141,567	118,862	104,410	558,730	327,511
Canada	13,892	4,197	11,908	3,537	12,222	5,238	13,017	7,648	51,039	20,620
United Kingdom	8,736	1,428	10,727	4,226	11,760	5,768	10,719	7,244	41,942	18,666
Cont.Europe	7,837	1,556	16,268	6,345	19,155	7,673	17,299	13,672	60,559	29,246
Japan	1,224	812	4,404	921	6,228	1,279	4,955	1,167	16,811	4,179
Pacific Islands	23,298	9,248	21,351	18,548	33,425	36,357	22,352	26,562	100,426	90,715
Others	69,828	17,103	87,054	67,197	116,130	92,756	97,639	69,956	370,651	247,012
Total	651,790	214,198	848,892	626,422	1,028,208	744,184	774,395	690,046	3,303,285	2,274,850
Local Guests	183,754	158,474	203,406	189,051	188,426	183,233	220,327	234,630	795,913	765,388
Grand Total	835,544	372,672	1,052,298	815,473	1,216,634	927,417	994,722	924,676	4,099,198	3,040,238

*guest nights = beds sold

Figure 3

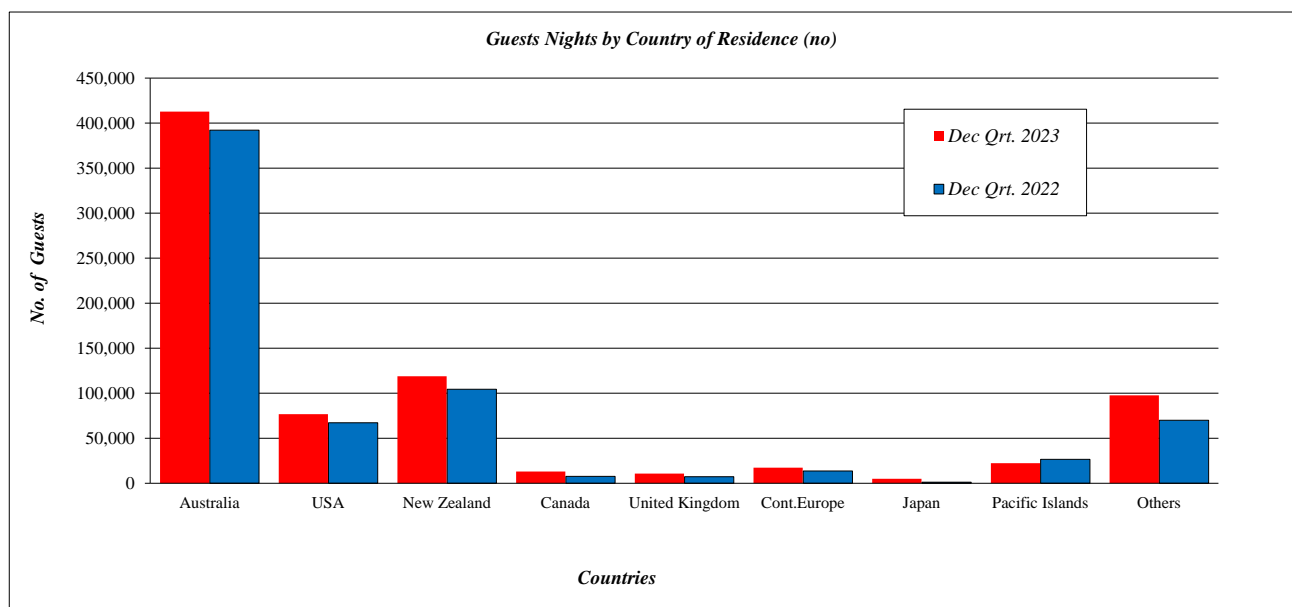


Table 8

Visitors by Country and by Area December Qtr. 2022

Country/Area	Suva	Nadi	Lautoka	Coral Coast	Yasawa & Mamanuca	Northern Division	Others	TOTAL
Australia	20,697	161,211	6,414	141,874	77,017	3,646	1,936	412,795
USA	10,324	31,473	2,413	10,314	11,865	6,949	3,419	76,757
New Zealand	8,597	60,077	3,527	24,451	21,277	811	122	118,862
Canada	1,255	6,170	538	1,954	2,469	541	90	13,017
United Kingdom	1,112	5,942	310	1,086	1,960	251	58	10,719
Cont.Europe	2,207	6,667	437	1,760	5,402	705	121	17,299
Others	19,049	55,931	4,259	36,477	8,398	595	237	124,946
Total	63,241	327,471	17,898	217,916	128,388	13,498	5,983	774,395

*Others in the Country category includes Japan, Pacific Islands and Other Countries

Table 9

Receipts (FJ\$000)

Components of Turnover	Mar Qrt.		Jun Qrt.		Sept Qrt.		Dec Qrt.		Total	
	2023[r]	2022	2023[r]	2022	2023[r]	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
Accommodation	141,765	47,077	233,055	138,811	270,747	184,392	223,385	157,869	868,952	528,149
Food	58,840	20,858	77,436	55,647	82,165	67,209	77,980	64,222	296,421	207,936
Bar & Liquor										
*Alcoholic Drinks	14,149	6,483	22,131	15,639	22,630	18,003	20,840	15,050	79,750	55,175
*Non-Alchc Drinks	1,078	263	2,369	426	1,898	454	2,311	624	7,656	1,767
*Tobacco	34	33	27	16	46	15	41	26	148	90
Telephone	123	131	252	103	208	141	225	130	808	505
Miscellaneous	19,764	8,529	31,965	19,480	32,556	21,009	29,229	19,800	113,514	68,818
TOTAL	235,753	83,374	367,235	230,122	410,250	291,223	354,011	257,721	1,367,249	862,440

* Bar and Liquor has been broken down into Alcoholic drinks, Non Alcoholic and Tobacco

Table 10

Hotel Receipts by Area (FJ\$000)

Area	Mar Qrt.		Jun Qrt.		Sept Qrt.		Dec Qrt.		Total	
	2023[r]	2022[r]	2023[r]	2022[r]	2023[r]	2022[r]	2023	2022	2023	2022
Suva	19,438	9,383	24,587	15,068	30,386	19,550	23,676	16,294	98,087	60,295
Nadi	97,030	35,081	147,662	82,684	169,802	136,276	139,600	120,659	554,094	374,700
Lautoka	6,828	2,337	16,555	12,830	11,277	9,608	9,500	8,026	44,160	32,801
Coral Coast	53,642	23,023	83,302	49,337	97,622	56,908	81,199	48,048	315,765	177,316
Yasawa & Mamanuca Group	43,084	10,939	64,753	46,105	68,227	43,485	73,048	43,850	249,112	144,379
Northern Division	6,703	2,540	13,440	11,183	14,480	11,549	11,780	9,453	46,403	34,725
Others	9,028	71	16,936	12,915	18,456	13,847	15,208	11,391	59,628	38,224
Total	235,753	83,374	367,235	230,122	410,250	291,223	354,011	257,721	1,367,249	862,440

Table 11

Paid Employment*

Employment Status	Mar Qrt.		Jun Qrt.		Sept Qrt.		Dec Qrt.		Total	
	2023[r]	2022	2023[r]	2022	2023[r]	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
Full Time	7,583	4,151	8,421	5,987	8,320	6,701	8,881	6,825	8,301	5,916
Part- Time	2,867	1,297	3,916	2,924	3,592	2,733	3,401	3,131	3,444	2,521
TOTAL	10,450	5,448	12,337	8,911	11,912	9,434	12,282	9,956	11,745	8,437

*Figures derived for employment are from ending month of Quarter.

*The estimate of Total Annual Employment is average of all quarterly paid employment.