2015 Economic and Financial Review

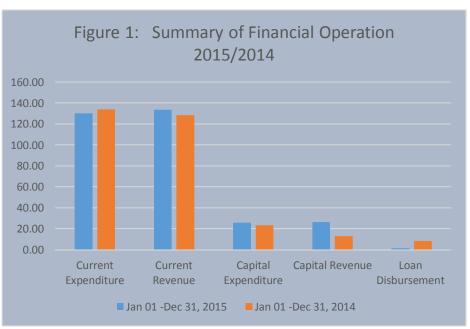
MINISTRY OF FINANCE NEVIS ISLAND ADMINISTRATION

OVERVIEW

This report provides an update on the fiscal performance of the NIA and the economic performance of the major sectors in Nevis for the period January to December 2015. The year has proven to be an exceptional one, with an overall improvement in the performances of the various sectors. Similarly, the fiscal performance of the government was one with increased revenue collection and a slight reduction in the expenditure outlay.

FISCAL AND DEBT

The fiscal outcome for the period in review surpassed all expectations. A deficit of \$19.99 million was budgeted for the year; however, the actual balance recorded for the year was a surplus of \$4.08 million. (See table 1). The overall balance was a result of



a capital surplus of \$0.71 million and a surplus of \$3.37 million on the current account. The previous year (2014) recorded an overall deficit of \$15.91 million. Similarly, there was a deficit on both capital and current accounts of \$10.39 million and \$5.53 million respectively.

Current revenue collection for the year increased by 4.19 percent or \$5.39 million relative to 2014. The actual collection was \$133.86 million. The major contributors to the revenue for the period were social services levy, stamp duties, value added tax, import duties and financial services fees. Additionally, grant funds from the Federal Government was \$25 million. This resulted in a total revenue amount of \$158.86 million.

Current expenditure saw a decline when compared to 2014; moving from \$134.00 million to \$130.49 million. The budgeted current expenditure was \$133.91 million. Total expenditure

(current and capital expenditure) declined from one year to the next; moving from \$157.54 million to \$156.42 million in 2015. The various categories under current expenditure had minimal variances from one period to the next. (See table 3)

In 2015, the major debt activities that took place were the finalization of the restructuring with the Kuwait Fund and National Bank. Additionally, disbursements for the Nevis Water Enhancement Project continued and a final payment was made to the European Investment Bank loan.

At the end of December 2015, the NIA's debt increased to \$343 million from \$329 million in December 2014. The domestic portion of the debt increased by 6 percent; moving from \$275 million in 2014 to \$291 million in 2015. The increase in domestic debt was due to the increase in the 91 day Treasury bills and capitalised interest at National Bank, resulting from non-payment of the loans. External debt decreased by 0.03 percent over the similar period, moving from \$53 million to \$51 million.

CAPITAL PROJECTS

During the fiscal year 2015, the upgrades of police services was a major undertaking within the Premier's Ministry. The project commanded \$0.16 million or 73.22 percent of the monies expended by the ministry. Similarly, vehicle payments and maintenance claimed the majority of funds under the Ministry of Finance. These payments were computed at \$0.45 million 32.21 percent of the Ministry's expended sum. Conversely, statistical surveys claimed the least, securing \$0.02 million or 1.65 million. In total, \$1.40 million was expended by the ministry for the year in review.

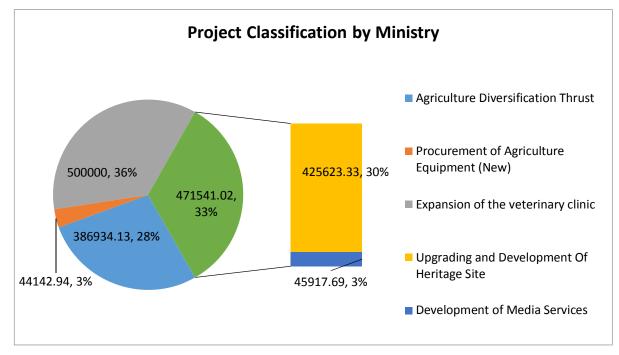
The Ministry of Communications, a critical ministry for development, has managed to not only secure the majority of all the ministries for the year in review, but also for the fiscal year that preceded. The ministry has managed to secure \$9.55 million in 2014; 64.27 percent of the period's total expenditure. This amount grew to \$16.36 million or 68.51 percent in 2015. The venture that commanded the bulk of the funds was the Major Road Projects, the project secured \$4.00 million or 24.46 percent of the annual actuals.

The Ministry of Agriculture and Tourism, two of the more critical sectors on the island, expended \$1.40 million for the year in review. Tourism, the main economic driver and leading sector,

expended a marginal \$0.47 million. The project that secured the majority of the funds was the development and upgrades made to the Heritage Site.

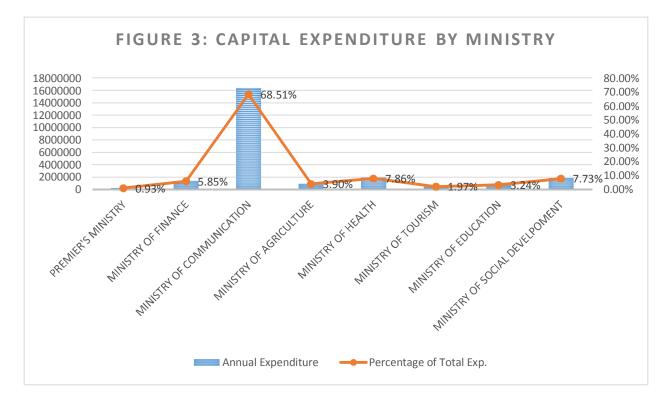
Agriculture, the sector that has the ability to reduce the import bill, was apportioned \$0.93 million for the year in review. Within the sector, the expansion of the veterinary clinic received funding in the amount of \$0.50 million. Other ventures funded include the procurement of Agricultural equipment and the funding of the Agricultural Diversification Trust.

Figure 2 displays an outlay of projects for both the Ministry of Agriculture and the Ministry of Tourism. The circular chart represents the Ministry of Agriculture and its rectangular counterpart represents the Ministry of Tourism.



Invested in the areas of Education and Health, critical sectors for social development, was \$2.65 million. The Ministry of Education secured \$0.77 million and the Ministry of Health received \$1.88 million. In the area of education, the majority of the funds were geared toward the Expansion of the Joycelyn Liburd Primary School. This project received \$0.55 million and funds were apportioned to the construction of a school cafeteria. Likewise, the Nevis Environment Work program procured the majority of the monies expended under the Ministry of Health. The project received a sum of \$0.70 million or 37.25 percent of the annual expenditure.

On review of the Ministry of Social Development, what stood out was the priority set for the improvements and maintenance of sporting facilities. The project has been a priority since 2014 and secured a total of \$1.07 million or 57.81 percent of the expended total under this ministry. Combined, all projects within this ministry have secured a total of \$1.85 million.



EMPLOYMENT

The employment data for the review period showed that the number of employed persons on Nevis ranged from 4,930 (December) to 5,467 (August), with an average of 5,334 employed persons. The average number of employed persons for the same period in 2014 was 5,154. This indicates that there was a 3.5 percent (180) growth in the average number of employed persons in 2015 relative to 2014.

The average number of Jobs grew by 5 percent from 5,467 jobs per month in 2014 to 5,650 per month in 2015. One can say that 183 additional jobs were provided in 2015 compared to the same period last year. Average Monthly Wages grew by 7 percent (\$1.12 Million) from \$15.94 Million per month in 2014 to \$17.06 Million per month in 2015. The positive growth in this area coincides with a similar growth in social services levy, the tax that is driven by employment on the island.

TOURISM

The annual tourism preliminary statistics display a pattern of growth, subsequent to 2014 when analysing the data collected from the Vance Amory International Airport (VAIA) as well as visitors arriving via the Robert Llewellyn Bradshaw (RLB) International Airport destined to Nevis.

During the period, a total of 36,221 visitors (excluding residents) visited the shores of Nevis via air, a 10.49 percent increase relative to the fiscal year 2014. Conversely, the quantity of cruise and yacht arrivals fell in 2015, declining from 11,022 to 9984 or 9.42 percent. Combined, the visitor arrivals via air and sea grew by 1.07 percent for the period under review.

The total passengers (resident and non-residents) arriving via air at the VAIA, fluctuated during the year, recording 916 in January and 1208 in December of 2015. The month of June recorded the lowest arrival for the year; 519 passengers. (*See figure 4*)

The total aircrafts landing on the Island for the year was 3647.

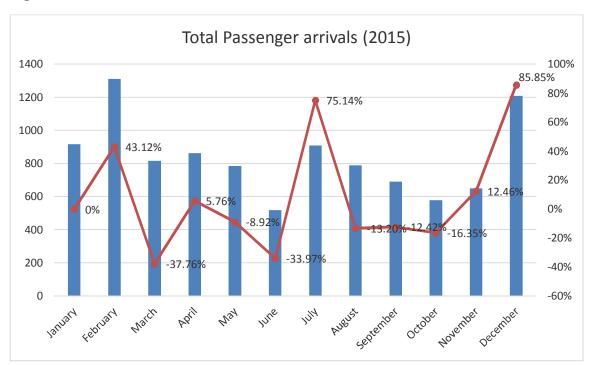




Chart showing the preliminary passenger arrival trend in the fiscal year 2015. The line represents the percentage change from one month to the next.

There was an influx of Cruise and Yacht passengers in 2015; totalling 9,984; a 9.42 percent decline relative to the period that preceded. Of the 9,984, 6,696 was the result of Cruise arrivals and the remaining 3,288 was owed to the arrival of Yachts.

The total yacht calls for the period was 743, a 2.77 percent increase over the previous period. The arrival of yacht passengers however, fell by 45.16 percent despite the growth in calls. Similarly, there was a total of 64 cruise calls for the period; a growth of 68.42 percent. However, the actual cruise passenger arrivals fell by 33.23 percent when compared to the previous year (2014). (*See table 1*)

| | Yacht | Yacht | | Cruise | Cruise | |
|--------|-------------|--------------|----------------|-------------|--------------|---------------|
| | Passenger | Passenger | Maniation | Passenger | Passenger | |
| PERIOD | (2014) | (2015) | Variation | (2014) | (2015) | variation2 |
| QTR1 | 3589 | 1,712 | -52.30% | 2565 | 4,713 | 83.74% |
| QTR2 | 1266 | 801 | -36.73% | 102 | 354 | 247.06% |
| QTR3 | 381 | 342 | -10.24% | 0 | 0 | - |
| QTR4 | 760 | 433 | -43.03% | 2359 | 1629 | -30.95% |
| Total | <u>5996</u> | <u>3,288</u> | <u>-45.16%</u> | <u>5026</u> | <u>6,696</u> | <u>33.23%</u> |

Table 1: Cruise and Yacht Passenger Arrival (2015/2014)

In tourism, one of the more critical elements that determine economic growth, the Stay-over arrivals, have made some significant strides. These arrivals recorded a substantial 35,907 in 2015. 6,534 were stay-overs arriving from the Vance Amory International airport and 29,373 arrived via the RLB International Airport. When compared to 2014 the arrivals grew by 9.81 percent, increasing from 32,701 to 35,907. The total stay over arrivals represents 99.13 percent of the total visitor arrivals for the period under review.¹

¹From the month of May (FY 2015) the stay-over arrival figures have been estimated using the time series analysis method, dating back three years. When the actual data becomes available the figures will then be amended.

Total excursionists arriving via the Vance Amory International Airport was 314. (*See table 2 and Figure 2 below*)

Table 2

| Year | 2014P | 2015P | Variation |
|---------------|--------|--------|-----------|
| Stay-Over | | | |
| Arrivals | 32,701 | 35,907 | 9.81% |
| Excursionists | 81 | 314 | 287.65% |

Table 2 provides the preliminary(P) Excursionist and stay-over arrival figures for 2014 and 2015



Figure displays both the Stay-over and excursionist arrivals in the fiscal year, 2015. The Stay Over arrival figures are plotted on the primary axis, whilst the excursionists are plotted on the secondary.

The year 2015 was a good year for the Nevis Tourism Authority (NTA). It was a year marked by progress in the area of promotional activities and initiatives. As a result, the NTA is well positioned to capitalize on the bounty of opportunities in 2016.

In North America a new sales representative was engaged to foster closer relationships with key travel professionals in the Northeast. The sales representative works the Northeast region of the USA as this is the most significant source market for travellers to Nevis. Efforts were also geared toward increasing the presence of Caribbean residents on the island through increased promotions in Puerto Rico and most of the hotels on Nevis has testified that in 2015 they experienced increased sales from the UK market. Additionally, the NTA has been able to attract some good media exposure, through its public relations personnel; this includes the push for association with Alexander Hamilton the Broadway play. The NTA's social media presence is now stronger than

ever before. Facebook, Instagram and Twitter are utilized with good results and steady growth in followers.

Nevis is blessed with a host of events which are perfect to attract travellers and the NTA supports them regularly. These include the Blues Festival, the Nevis to St. Kitts Cross Chanel Swim, the Nevis Mango and Food Festival, Culturama, the Nevis Marathon and Running Festival, and the Nevis Triathlon. We launched the Nevis Romance Symposium in October of 2015 as an annual event to solidify Nevis' relationship with travel professionals who focus on selling romance.

There is a significant improvement in the relationship between the Authority and the various airlines. Seaborne continues to fly its scheduled route from Puerto Rico. Cape Air experienced some unexpected operational issues and had to suspend its service but through the services of Caribbean Helicopters we re-established our link with Antigua and will soon extend that connection to other islands through LIAT. Winair now has daily service between Nevis and St. Martin. There is also now relationships with international airlines, including British Airways and Delta Airlines; both of which the NTA had the opportunity to meet with in the fall.

The combination of these new relationships, initiatives, and heightened productivity from the team locally and internationally has placed our tourism product in a more lucrative position in comparison to 2014.

FINANCIAL SERVICES

During 2015, total new incorporations amounted to 2,143. A breakdown by product type for the years 2015 and 2014 is given in figure 4.

There was a 20 percent reduction in incorporations for this period. For the year 2015, incorporations fell in every product type reported except Foundations which increased by 7 percent. The largest percentage decrease was seen in Trust incorporations which fell by 46 percent. LLCs fell by 33 percent, and IBCs fell by 21 percent.

| Product Type | 2015 | 2014 |
|---------------|------|----------|
| IBCs | 1365 | 1669 |
| LLCs | 661 | 868 |
| Trusts | 90 | 131 |
| Foundations | 27 | 25 |
| Total | 2143 | 2693 |
| Figure 3: | 2015 | and 2014 |
| Incorporation | ns | |

Conversely, total revenue generated by the Department for the year increased by 8 percent. During 2014, the Department generated \$12.8 million, while \$13.9 million was generated in 2015. This was mainly due to increases in renewal fees and late payment penalties; 9 and 12 percent respectively.

There was an 11 percent increase in entities dissolved over that of 2014. There has also been a 27 percent increase in entities that were struck. Conversely, there was a 20 percent decline in entities reinstated. All of these factors affect the total number of active entities registered. As of January 6^{th} 2016, there were seventeen thousand six hundred and seventy-five (17,675) active entities on the register.

AGRICULTURE

Throughout the year in review, the Ministry of Agriculture continued to keep a keen "eye on agriculture" and embarked on a number of activities which promoted agriculture on a wider scale. Below is a list of activities crafted by the Department of Agriculture to ensure that production and productivity increased; thus, resulting in enhanced quality and quantity in agricultural products on the island:

- January 2015 The Ministry held an event to assure farmers that the NIA will share the burden of the increased cost of animal feed by suppliers.
- March 2015 Annual Agriculture Open Day: This was geared towards strengthening the drive towards food security on the island. Deservingly, a number of persons involved in the Agriculture Industry were honored for their contribution to the development of the sector.
- May 2015- Third Annual Agriculture Awareness Month: The month of May was marked as the busiest month for the Ministry. There were different areas of activities ranging from crop and livestock production to greenhouse technology and fishing. This ensured the continued diversification of the agricultural landscape of Nevis. To culminate the month, the Ministry of Agriculture launched its website, www.nevisagriculture.com. The launch

of this website underscored the thrust of the Ministry and Department of Agriculture towards ensuring that food safety and security continue to be the major pillars in the success of this important industry.

December 2015 – "The Way Forward for Breadfruit and Breadnut" Workshop: the breadfruit and breadnut crops were selected by the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) and the Ministry Agriculture to help improve food security on the island. The project is a long term project which is deemed viable once implemented effectively and is expected to provide food for the next 50 years.

Boosting production has continued to be the primary focus for the Ministry of Agriculture. The necessary resources, equipment and new technology are made available for all farmers and stakeholders involved.

Despite the challenges that agriculture faced during the period in review, the level of optimism is high due to the rekindled interest in farming and the involvement of the younger generation to the development of the industry. The future for agriculture looks bright and the Ministry of Agriculture is positive that agriculture could be restored to being the "breadbasket" of the Federation as in former days.

CONCLUSION

A brief assessment of the various ministries reveal fiscal prudence in the execution of capital projects for the fiscal year, 2015. The financial assistance given by the Federal Government was beneficial in ensuring the continuity and commencement of these projects. Additionally, the Ministry of Finance continue to encourage all ministries and departments to prioritize and curtail spending. This is crucial in ensuring that the road ahead is one of sustainability and growth.

<u>Appendix</u>

Table 1:

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

| | Annual | Annual | Annual | Annual |
|---------------------------|----------------|--------------|-------------|-----------|
| ITEMS | 2015 | 2014 | 2015/2014 | 2015/2014 |
| | Prelim. Actual | Actual | Variance | Variance |
| | \$ | \$ | \$ | % |
| | | | | |
| <u>Revenue</u> | | | | |
| | | | | |
| Capital Revenue | 26,640,030 | 13,163,251 | 13,476,779 | 102.38 |
| Sale of Assets | - | 100,000 | (100,000) | - |
| Loans | 1,640,030 | 8,633,139 | (6,993,109) | (81.00) |
| Development Aide | 25,000,000 | 4,430,112 | 20,569,888 | 464.32 |
| | | | | |
| Current Revenue | 133,857,250 | 128,468,450 | 5,388,800 | 4.19 |
| | | | | |
| Total Revenue | 160,497,281 | 141,631,701 | 18,865,580 | 13.32 |
| | | | | |
| <u>Expenditure</u> | | | | |
| | | | | |
| Capital Expenditure | 25,927,065 | 23,548,636 | 2,378,429 | 10.10 |
| Revenue | 23,787,035 | 14,556,670 | 9,230,364 | 63.41 |
| Loans | 1,640,030 | 8,633,139 | (6,993,109) | (81.00) |
| Development Aide | 500,000 | 358,827 | 141,173 | 39.34 |
| | | | | |
| Current Expenditure | 130,488,336 | 133,995,785 | (3,507,449) | (2.62) |
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| Total Expenditure | 156,415,401 | 157,544,421 | (1,129,020) | (0.72) |
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| | | | | |
| Capital Surplus (Deficit) | 712,965 | (10,385,385) | 11,098,351 | (106.87) |
| Current Surplus (Deficit) | 3,368,914 | (5,527,335) | 8,896,249 | (160.95) |
| Total Surplus (Deficit) | 4,081,880 | (15,912,720) | 19,994,600 | (125.65) |
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| [| 2015 | 2015 | 2014 | 2015/2014 | 2015/2014 |
|---------------------------------------|--------|---------------|--------|-----------|-----------|
| Categories | Annual | Annual | Annual | Annual | Annual |
| | Budget | Prelim Actual | Actual | Variance | Variance |
| | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | % |
| | | · | | | |
| Total Revenue and Grant | 133.53 | 158.86 | 132.90 | 25.96 | 19.53 |
| Current Revenue | 130.06 | 133.86 | 128.47 | 5.39 | 4.19 |
| Tax Revenue | 96.06 | 100.66 | 98.29 | 2.37 | 2.41 |
| Taxes on Income & Profits | 14.25 | 16.90 | 13.01 | 3.90 | 29.96 |
| Corporate Income Tax | 5.50 | 4.11 | 4.20 | -0.09 | -2.21 |
| Withholding Tax | 0.25 | 0.09 | 0.33 | -0.23 | -71.35 |
| Social Services Levy | 8.50 | 12.70 | 8.48 | 4.22 | 49.82 |
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| Taxes on Property | 3.00 | 2.72 | 2.56 | 0.16 | 6.33 |
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| Taxes on Domestic Goods & Services | 36.31 | 40.29 | 41.86 | -1.57 | -3.75 |
| Wheel Tax | 2.20 | 2.19 | 1.96 | 0.23 | 11.89 |
| Consumption Tax (Inland Rev.) | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 682.10 |
| Traders Tax | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | -31.44 |
| Stamp Duties | 12.50 | 16.25 | 15.79 | 0.46 | 2.91 |
| Coastal Environmental Levy | 0.20 | 0.30 | 0.50 | -0.20 | -40.32 |
| Insurance Levy/Fees | 0.41 | 0.46 | 0.39 | 0.07 | 17.99 |
| Gasoline & Diesel Levy | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Un Incorporated Business Tax | 1.25 | 1.34 | 1.14 | 0.20 | 17.92 |
| VAT | 18.25 | 17.70 | 20.05 | -2.34 | -11.69 |
| Licenses | 1.50 | 2.03 | 2.03 | 0.00 | 0.16 |
| of which: Banks Licence | 0.12 | 0.11 | 0.11 | -0.01 | -5.26 |
| Business & Occupation Licence | 0.47 | 0.58 | 0.47 | 0.11 | 23.58 |
| Drivers Licence | 0.69 | 0.68 | 0.65 | 0.03 | 5.28 |
| | | | | | |
| Taxes on International Trade | 42.49 | 40.74 | 40.86 | -0.12 | -0.29 |
| Import Duties | 10.66 | 11.58 | 10.62 | 0.96 | 9.05 |
| Excise and Export Duty | 5.19 | 3.95 | 3.79 | 0.16 | 4.11 |
| Environmental Levy | 0.67 | 1.86 | 0.76 | 1.11 | 146.80 |
| Consumption Tax | 0.20 | 0.21 | 0.04 | 0.17 | 435.98 |
| Travel Tax | 0.32 | 0.26 | 0.27 | -0.01 | -3.01 |
| Customs Service Charge | 7.44 | 7.38 | 6.25 | 1.13 | 18.05 |
| VAT | 18.00 | 15.50 | 19.13 | -3.63 | -18.99 |
| | | | | | |
| Non-Tax Revenue | 34.00 | 33.19 | 30.18 | 3.02 | 9.99 |
| Interest, Dividend & Currency Profits | | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | -92.77 |
| Rent of Government Property | 0.42 | 0.03 | 0.27 | -0.24 | -90.36 |
| Fees, Fines & Sales | 0.26 | 0.18 | 0.20 | -0.02 | -10.57 |
| Post Office | 0.41 | 0.39 | 0.42 | -0.03 | -7.35 |
| Passport, Permits, etc. | 0.00 | 1.37 | 1.25 | 0.12 | 9.65 |
| Hospital | 1.00 | 0.66 | 0.68 | -0.02 | -3.00 |
| Financial Services | 13.50 | 13.84 | 12.76 | 1.08 | 8.45 |
| Supply Office | 8.00 | 8.39 | 7.34 | 1.05 | 14.25 |
| Water Service | 6.51 | 5.65 | 5.20 | 0.45 | 8.70 |
| Other Non-Tax Revenue | 3.91 | 2.69 | 2.06 | 0.63 | 30.83 |

Table 2: NIA REVENUE JAN-DEC 2015/2014 (Economic Classification)

| EC\$ | 2015 | 2015 | 2014 | 2015/2014 | 2015/2014 |
|----------------------------------|--------|---------------|--------|-----------|-----------|
| Categories | Annual | Annual | Annual | Annual | Annual |
| ~ | Budget | Prelim Actual | Actual | Variance | Variance |
| | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | % |
| | | | • | | |
| Current Expenditure | 122.11 | 123.51 | 124.79 | -1.29 | -1.03 |
| | | | | | |
| Personal Emoluments | 66.78 | 65.29 | 64.89 | 0.39 | 0.60 |
| Salaries | 46.60 | 42.14 | 42.74 | -0.60 | -1.40 |
| Wages | 19.30 | 22.19 | 21.23 | 0.96 | 4.52 |
| Allowances | 0.88 | 0.95 | 0.92 | 0.03 | 3.41 |
| | | | | | |
| Goods and Services | 29.07 | 30.27 | 31.03 | -0.75 | -2.43 |
| | | | | | |
| Interest Payments | 14.81 | 15.46 | 16.69 | -1.22 | -7.34 |
| Domestic | 12.63 | 14.48 | 14.71 | -0.23 | -1.60 |
| Foreign | 2.18 | 0.99 | 1.98 | -0.99 | -50.08 |
| | | | | | |
| Principal Repayment | 11.80 | 6.98 | 9.20 | -2.22 | -24.14 |
| Domestic | 8.46 | 2.96 | 6.00 | -3.04 | -50.64 |
| Foreign | 3.34 | 4.02 | 3.20 | 0.82 | 25.48 |
| Transfers & Subsidies | 11.44 | 12.49 | 12.18 | 0.30 | 2.47 |
| Pensions | 7.00 | 6.10 | 6.33 | -0.23 | -3.68 |
| Gratuities | 0.00 | 1.84 | 1.60 | 0.23 | 15.22 |
| Regional and Int'l Contributions | 3.13 | 3.26 | 3.29 | -0.04 | -1.10 |
| Public Assistance | 1.32 | 1.28 | 0.96 | 0.33 | 34.04 |
| | 1.52 | 1.20 | 0.70 | 0.55 | 51.01 |
| Current Account Balance | 7.95 | 10.35 | -0.27 | 6.67 | -2,489.03 |
| | | | | | , |
| Capital Revenue | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Land Sales | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Other | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| | | | | | |
| Grants | 3.47 | 25.00 | 4.43 | 20.57 | 464.32 |
| Budgetary Grants | 0.00 | 25.00 | 4.43 | 20.57 | 0.00 |
| Capital Grants | 3.47 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| | | | | | |
| Capital Expenditure | 31.31 | 25.93 | 23.55 | 2.38 | 10.10 |
| Fixed Investment | 31.31 | 25.93 | 23.55 | 2.38 | 10.10 |
| Net Lending | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Net Lenuing | | | | | |
| Overall Balance | -19.89 | 9.42 | -6.43 | 24.86 | -386.50 |

Table 3: NIA EXPENDITURE JAN - DEC 2015/2014 (Economic Classification)

| Title/Description | Dec-14 | Dec-15 (Prelim) | |
|---|--------|-----------------|--|
| Foreign Debt | | | |
| Port Development – 8/OCR | 0.84 | 0.56 | |
| Port Development – 8/SFR | 2.23 | 2.01 | |
| Port Development - Nevis OCR 08/SFR | 0.06 | 0.04 | |
| Port Development – 35/SFR | 2.09 | 1.80 | |
| Port Development Nevis – (Add) 35/SFRVDR | 0.71 | 0.62 | |
| Port Development Nevis – 35 SFR SDK (Add) | 0.30 | 0.28 | |
| Port Development Nevis – Add | 0.30 | 0.22 | |
| Port Development Nevis - Add - 8\\OR USD | 0.56 | 0.45 | |
| Nevis Island Ports Project. KWD#471 | 1.66 | 1.61 | |
| Nevis Airport Project. (Eur. Inv. Bank) | 0.50 | 0.00 | |
| Road Imp. & Mtce Project 12/SDF | 7.56 | 7.09 | |
| Road Imp. & Mtce Project | 3.50 | 2.94 | |
| Newcastle Airport Project KWD #576 | 6.26 | 6.07 | |
| Supplementary Port Project – KWD #590 | 0.92 | 0.89 | |
| RIMP (ADD) Nevis 12SFR | 6.08 | 5.65 | |
| RIMP (ADD) Nevis 12OR | 0.51 | 0.48 | |
| Mega International Commercial Bank | 4.78 | 4.47 | |
| Nevis Water Enhancement Project 20/SFROR | 14.71 | 16.72 | |
| Total Outstanding Foreign Debt | 53.58 | 51.90 | |
| | | | |
| Domestic Debt | | | |
| Loan – SKNA National Bank | 3.72 | 3.55 | |
| Loan – SKNA National Bank | 1.98 | 1.79 | |
| Loan – SKNA National Bank | 28.99 | 30.83 | |
| Loan - Bank Of Nevis_Tranche 2 | 3.34 | 2.80 | |
| Loan - Bank Of Nevis_Tranche 1 | 2.86 | 2.16 | |
| Overdraft - Bank Of Nevis | 3.46 | 4.01 | |
| Treasury Bills Issue (OTC) 91 days | 70.65 | 83.52 | |
| Treasury Bills Issue (OTC) 365 days | 12.86 | 10.67 | |
| Overdraft a/c – SKNA National Bank | 67.27 | 74.64 | |
| Overdraft a/c – Bank of Nevis | | 0.00 | |
| Overdraft a/c – FCIB | 1.99 | 1.94 | |
| Director of Social Security_Cap. Project | 11.99 | 11.99 | |
| Director of Social Security_Asp. Project | 0.54 | 0.54 | |
| Surrey Paving Co | | | |
| | 0.42 | 0.42 | |
| FINCO | 0.60 | 0.45 | |
| TDC/FINCO | 0.82 | 0.59 | |
| Restructured Loan - Bank of Nevis | 48.25 | 47.41 | |
| Nevis Civil Servants Mortgage Loan | 15.83 | 14.69 | |
| | | | |
| Total Outstanding – Domestic Debt | 275.58 | 291.98 | |
| NIA Disbursed Outstanding Debt | 329.16 | 343.88 | |

| Table 4:NI | DISBURSED OUTSTANDING DEBT (end of period) |
|------------|---|
|------------|---|

| 109 | | |
|--------------|---|---|
| | 451 | 285,355 |
| 2 | 7 | 2,132 |
| 16 | 61 | 39,407 |
| 73 | 300 | 168,575 |
| 88 | 378 | 295,288 |
| 664 | 2,686 | 1,979,157 |
| 585 | 2,440 | 1,389,659 |
| 1,210 | 5,078 | 3,898,780 |
| 396 | 1,674 | 1,067,050 |
| 197 | 850 | 987,209 |
| 233 | 990 | 640,272 |
| 1,684 | 7,236 | 5,179,674 |
| 102 | 442 | 617,745 |
| 26 | 108 | 44,042 |
| 116 | 486 | 261,323 |
| 150 | 632 | 207,651 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 |
| <u>5,651</u> | <u>23,819</u> | <u>17,063,319</u> |
| | 16 73 88 664 585 1,210 396 197 233 1,684 102 26 116 150 0 | 166173300883786642,6865852,4401,2105,0783961,6741978502339901,6847,2361024422610811648615063200 |

Table 5: NEVIS AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT (JAN – DEC 2015)

Source: St. Kitts-Nevis Social Security Board

| Table 6: | | | | | | | 015 (000 kgs) |
|-------------------------|----------|---------|---------|---------------------|------------------|----------|--------------------------------------|
| CROP | Criteria | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | Production as a % of imports 2015 |
| | | | | | | | 01 11110103 2013 |
| Cabbaga | Imports | 54.621 | 107,079 | 115.063 | 125.006 | 42 200 | |
| Cabbage | | 54,021 | | 112,003 | 135 <i>.</i> 886 | 43.200 | |
| | Produce | 5.936 | 4,819 | 1.361 | 1.750 | 499 | 1.16 |
| | Imports | 01300 | 110,370 | 1/201 | | | |
| Carrots | Imports | 67,571 | 110,570 | 105,259 | 133,833 | 63,662 | |
| | | 5,374 | 2,857 | | | | 2.88 |
| | Produce | , | , | 20,729 | 10,400 | 1,833 | |
| | | 21,247 | 37,113 | | | | |
| Cantaloupe/ Honeydew | Imports | | | 20.519 | 114,580 | 84,240 | |
| noneydew | Dreduce | 34,922 | 18,913 | 2 6 1 0 | 60.050 | FC 912 | 67.44 |
| | Produce | | | 3,610 | 60,050 | 56,812 | |
| Corn | Imports | 8,211 | 19,730 | 21,364 | 31,364 | 14,764 | |
| com | | 4,775 | 14,946 | 21,501 | 01/001 | - 1// 01 | 40.67 |
| | Produce | 4,775 | 14,940 | 3,823 | 2,920 | 7,185 | 48.67 |
| | 34,706 | 48,166 | | | | | |
| Sweet Peppers | Imports | 0.17.00 | | 31,058 | 41,067 | 54,203 | |
| | | 22,588 | 16,945 | | | | 18.10 |
| | Produce | | | 8.537 | 27.020 | 9.810 | |
| | | 4,427 | 3,266 | a 1 a | | | |
| Pumpkin | Imports | | | 2.459 | 0 | 0 | |
| | Produce | 14,752 | 39,225 | 27.033 | 99,680 | 24,186 | 100 |
| | FIUGUCE | 0 | 0 | 27,035 | 99,000 | 24,100 | |
| Sweet Potato | Imports | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2,345 | |
| | | 17,159 | 7750 | | | | 514.12 |
| | Produce | 17,135 | //30 | 4,818 | 25,885 | 12,056 | 514.12 |
| | | 22,534 | 45,890 | | | | |
| Tomato | Imports | 22,551 | 13,050 | 35076 | 50,565 | 26,019 | |
| | Produce | | 43,455 | | | | 283.81 |
| | | 71.055 | , | 46,406 | 142,830 | 73,845 | |
| | Imports | | 0 | | | | |
| Watermelon | | 1653 | | 0 | 2,760 | 12,699 | |
| | Produce | 102 224 | 69,348 | 70 220 | 224 020 | 112 074 | 896.72 |
| | | 103,334 | | 70,239 | 234,830 | 113,874 | |
| Onion | Imports | 78,937 | 145,004 | 127.076 | 204,009 | 76,940 | |
| | | /0.55/ | 10.277 | 127,070 | 207,003 | /0,340 | •• |
| | Produce | 2072 | 19,277 | 12,133 | 52,258 | 30,608 | 39.78 |

Table 6: IMPORTS & PRODUCTION OF TARGET CROPS 2011-2015 (000 kgs)

Source: Department of Agriculture

| Items | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 |
|---------------------|-------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Ice Lollies (bags) | 1,894 | 261 | 286 | 566 | 67 |
| Drinks (bottles) | 1,667 | 557 | 704 | 4,813 | 2,911 |
| Drink Powder | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 19 |
| Jams/Jellies (jars) | 1,182 | 118 | 124 | 1,062 | 398 |
| Pulp (lbs) | 0 | 2,113.34 | 2,885.35 | 3,515.98 | 1,230.28 |
| Cassava Meal (lb) | 0 | 35 | 35 | 309 | 14.44 |
| Cassava Flour (lb) | 0 | 22.5 | 27 | 50 | 21.5 |
| Cassava Starch | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 0 |
| Cassava Cake | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Chunks | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 398.72 |
| Concentrate | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 154 |
| Mixed peel(lbs) | 35 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Mixed fruits(lbs) | 0 | 37 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Shelled Tamarind | 0 | 0 | 00 | 5.65 | 0 |
| Frozen Gooseberry | 0 | 0 | 0 | 266.64 | 0 |
| Chips(bags) | 95 | 1,186 | 1,189 | 1,888 | 85 |
| Guava cheese (pks) | 133 | 49 | 50 | 49 | 0 |
| Tea leaves(bags) | 66 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Water (Gallons) | 2,879 | 3,355 | 3,193 | 1,522 | 2,345 |
| Green Seasoning | 0 | 21 | 23 | 0 | 0 |
| Sugar Cake | 0 | 3 | 8 | 0 | 0 |
| Soaked Fruits | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6.7 |
| Sorrel (frozen) | 0 | 25 | 25 | 0 | 0 |
| Sweet Potato Mash | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 46.26 |
| Guava preserves | 0 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Sweet potato Flour | 0 | 2 | 1.5 | 0 | 0 |
| Jujube | 0 | 10 | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| Noni Juice | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 2 |
| Mauby | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Syrup | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 |

Table 7: OUTPUT FROM AGRO-PROCESSING UNIT (2011 – 2015)

Source: Department of Agriculture

| CROPS | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 |
|--------------|-------|-------|--------|--------|----------|
| Arugula | 0 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Apricot | 0 | 0 | 175 | 0 | 0 |
| Avocado | 20 | 140 | 255 | 60 | 835 |
| Basil | 15 | 50 | 155 | 145 | 8 |
| Bora Beans | 5 | 25 | 140 | 485 | 217 |
| Breadfruit | 60 | 450 | 495 | 525 | 564 |
| Broccoli | 5 | 0 | 0 | 65 | 0 |
| Butternut | 1,510 | 1,945 | 5,495 | 9,140 | 4,117.5 |
| Cabbage | 4,700 | 5,280 | 2,275 | 400 | 1,303.5 |
| Cantaloupe | 2,110 | 2,670 | 8,680 | 4,350 | 1,440 |
| Cauliflower | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Carrots | 1,065 | 260 | 425 | 725 | 0 |
| Cassava | 155 | 510 | 705 | 785 | 402 |
| Cassava Meal | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| Celery | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 26 |
| Christophene | 30 | 0 | 355 | 525 | 628.5 |
| Сосоа | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Coconut | 0 | 380 | 735 | 550 | 340 |
| Cotton | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Cucumber | 6,525 | 9,080 | 12,700 | 17,040 | 14,201.5 |
| Dasheen | 0 | 0 | 55 | 185 | 287 |
| Dragon Fruit | 0 | 185 | 50 | 310 | 0 |
| Eddoes | 0 | 0 | 5 | 80 | 258 |
| Eggplant | 1,170 | 670 | 2,145 | 1,930 | 2,163 |
| Fat Pork | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| Garlic | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| Ginger | 85 | 115 | 125 | 215 | 150 |
| Ginip | 0 | 0 | 300 | 0 | 14 |
| Grapefruit | 0 | 80 | 1,890 | 505 | 140 |
| Green Banana | 1,505 | 1,740 | 2,545 | 3,510 | 3,898 |
| Green Mango | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12 |
| Green Papaya | 780 | 735 | 470 | 600 | 758 |
| Guava | 190 | 30 | 75 | 0 | 466 |
| Guava Pulp | 0 | 15 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Golden Apple | 10 | 0 | 55 | 0 | 172 |
| Herbs and | 810 | 780 | 475 | 225 | 52 |
| Hot Peppers | 20 | 15 | 195 | 25 | 5 |
| Honey Dew | 1,750 | 3,430 | 5,555 | 5,390 | 3,251 |
| Jelly | 0 | 30 | 350 | 130 | 269 |
| Jujubi | 0 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| Lemon Grass | 0 | 40 | 45 | 10 | 0 |

Table 8: TOTAL OUTPUT (2011-2015)

| CROPS | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 |
|---------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------------------|
| | | | | | |
| Lettuce | 10 | 0 | 770 | 515 | 641 |
| Limes | 620 | 240 | 520 | 285 | 80.5 |
| Manciport | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 754 |
| Mango | 630 | 1,135 | 1,410 | 3,410 | 1425 |
| Mango | 0 | 0 | 0 | 70 | 0 |
| Mint | 0 | 5 | 5 | 0 | 8.5 |
| Musk Melon | 0 | 0 | 0 | 425 | 0 |
| Okra | 815 | 1,485 | 4,385 | 1,155 | 1,176.5 |
| Onion | 830 | 1,310 | 4,955 | 2,845 | 14,479 |
| Oranges | 0 | 35 | 40 | 50 | 44 |
| Orange | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 28 |
| Papaya Ripe | 335 | 1,150 | 405 | 100 | 1,258.5 |
| Passion Fruit | 75 | 0 | 95 | 200 | 723 |
| Plantain | 1,480 | 2,675 | 2,585 | 2,200 | 2,064 |
| Peanut | 0 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Pomerac | 0 | 0 | 15 | 0 | 0 |
| Pigeon Peas | 0 | 0 | 190 | 0 | 0 |
| Pineapple | 1,740 | 2,085 | 4,020 | 2,415 | 2,756 |
| Pumpkin | 7,055 | 14,285 | 10,580 | 6,730 | 10,773 |
| Purple | 0 | 0 | 0 | 30 | 0 |
| Purple Potato | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 38 |
| Red Peppers | 0 | 10 | 0 | 160 | 975 |
| Rosemary | 0 | 5 | 25 | 0 | 0 |
| Ripe Banana | 2,575 | 8965 | 8060 | 15,610 | 17,794 |
| Ripe Plantain | 710 | 1,710 | 3,270 | 4,445 | <mark>6,671</mark> |
| Seasoning | 325 | 145 | 1,315 | 525 | 877 |
| Sea Grapes | 0 | 0 | 55 | 0 | 0 |
| Silk Banana | 115 | 720 | 485 | 265 | 852 |
| Sorrel | 1,530 | 235 | 0 | 360 | 231 |
| Sour Sop | 5 | 30 | 80 | 50 | <mark>1,120</mark> |
| Sugar Apple | 30 | 0 | 45 | 130 | 0 |
| String Beans | 680 | 740 | 1,900 | 1,555 | 25 |
| Star Apple | 120 | 75 | 0 | 195 | <mark>457</mark> |
| Sugar Cane | 0 | 45 | 15 | 15 | <mark>55</mark> |
| Sweet Corn | 125 | 1,755 | 1,605 | 235 | 42 |
| Sweet Pepper | 5,890 | 3,280 | 5,160 | 2,265 | <mark>1,356</mark> |
| Sweet Potato | 11,290 | 11,950 | 16,640 | 10,590 | 11,952.5 |
| Spinach | 15 | 5 | 125 | 115 | 210 |
| Tania | 260 | 180 | 690 | 1,660 | 2247 |
| Tamarind | 0 | 0 | 0 | 40 | 0 |
| Thyme | 0 | 200 | 255 | 100 | 16 |
| Tomatoes | 14,955 | 19,465 | 21,715 | 22,115 | 29,574.5 |

| CROPS | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 |
|--------------|--------|---------|---------|---------|----------|
| | | | | | |
| Tomato | 0 | 165 | 105 | 465 | 943 |
| Tomato Plum | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 95 |
| Tomato Roma | 0 | 0 | 0 | 860 | 250 |
| Watermelon | 10,430 | 22,305 | 35,310 | 26,955 | 32,657.5 |
| Wax Apple | 70 | 10 | 10 | 35 | 115 |
| White Potato | 660 | 80 | 0 | 330 | 0 |
| Yams | 50 | 60 | 350 | 910 | 1,357.5 |
| Yellow | 0 | 0 | 0 | 60 | 1,021 |
| Zucchini | 110 | 140 | 655 | 70 | 60 |
| Total | 86,065 | 125,375 | 174,775 | 158,455 | 183,193 |

Source: Marketing Records

Source: Department of Agriculture