

**Section Twelve**

**COMMUNICATION AND TRANSPORTATION**

This section presents statistics on communication services, registration of motor vehicles, drivers' licenses and permits in force, vessel and cargo movement, air-traffic and aircraft operation.

The number of telephones installed in 2005 amounted to 10,663; an increase of about 300 more phone instruments from the previous year. However, the 2005 count remained below the fourteen thousand phones operated in 2002. The decline in telephones is primarily due to the rise in the use of cellular phone instruments. The number of overseas called remained closer to almost 4 million completed calls, however, the number of revenue minutes dropped by over 20 percent. Telegram service is no longer in use while the number of internet-service subscribers reached almost 2,000.

The total number of registered motor vehicle continued to increase in 2005. Close to 80 vehicles were added since the 2004 registration. Despite an increase in number of buses registered, commercially operated vehicles dropped because of a sharp decline in the number of taxis registered. Therefore, the real increase in vehicle registration is attributed to the increase number of privately owned vehicles (almost 300 additional registration.)

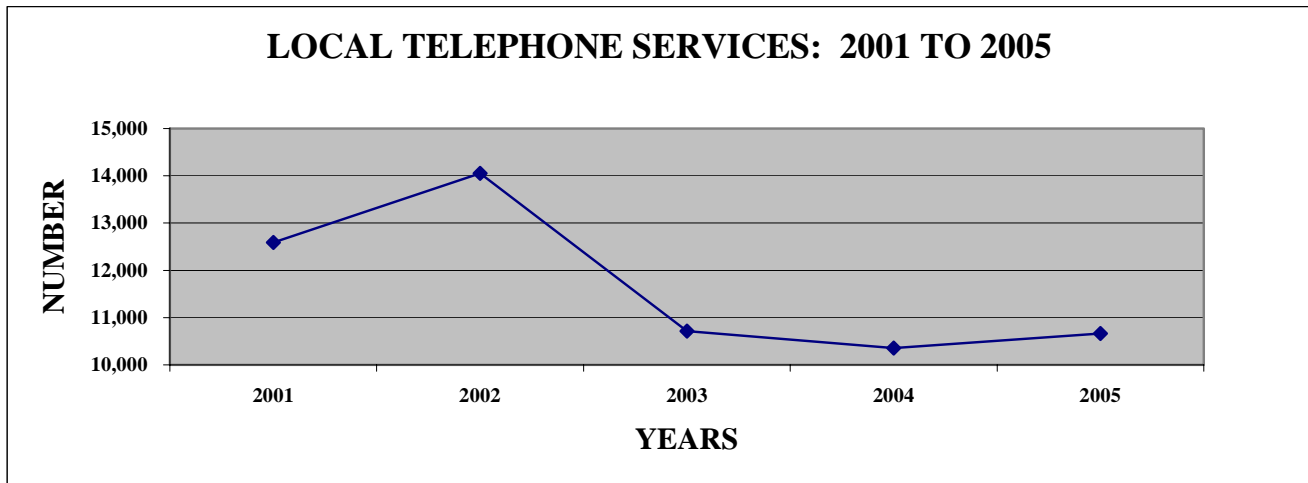
A total of 890 vessels entered the territory in 2005 versus 908 leaving. Tonnage of cargo brought into the territory amounted to over 400,000 in 2005 and over 500,000 tons in 2004. Of the 890 vessels entering in 2005, 6 cruise ships, 158 freighters, 4 military ship, and 513 were fishing boats.

A total of 4,044 flights were recorded at the Pago Pago International Airport carrying 72,688 passengers in 2005. Likewise, 4,044 flights were leaving; taking 78,009 passengers (a net loss of about 7,300.) Net travel between Hawaii and American Samoa in 2005 amounted to a negative 920. Similarly in 2004, net travel on the same route was 1,406. The big difference in the two numbers was due mainly to flights availability. In 2004, an average of 27 flights per month was recorded compared to an average of 10 flights per month in 2005. A total of 120 flights were arriving from and leaving for Honolulu in 2005 compared to 324 in and out flights in 2004 (including Aloha Airline flights). The number of passengers arriving and leaving remained at or below 30,000 in the two years.

TABLE 12.1. LOCAL AND OVERSEAS TELEPHONE, TELEX, FACSIMILE AND TELEGRAM SERVICES: 2001 TO 2005

Services	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001
<b>Local Telephone Service</b>					
Number of telephones	10,663	10,354	10,713	14,053	12,587
Miles of telephone cable	28	24	22	20	18
Cellular instruments	8,065	2,250	2,100	2,036	2,156
<b>Overseas Telephone Services</b>					
Number of completed calls	3,804,625	3,925,456	3,724,866	3,648,153	3,556,496
Number of minutes	16,555,332	20,445,274	19,385,221	17,305,279	16,985,407
<b>Facsimile Services</b>					
Number of subscribers	695	600	582	750	694
<b>Overseas Telegram Services</b>					
Number of messages handled	-	160	712	1,327	1,612
Internet Service @samoatelco.com	1,928	1,700	1,500	1,400	1,273

SOURCE: American Samoa Telecommunications Authority



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Table 12.2. REGISTRATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES BY TYPE: FY1975 TO FY2005

Year	Total	Commercial			Others			ASG Vehicles
		Bus	Taxi	Cargo	Private Vehicles	Motor Bike	Trailers	
2005	8,199	226	123	431	7,226	66	127	377
2004	8,122	197	276	498	6,954	64	133	646
2003	7,568	180	123	488	6,597	71	109	598
2002	7,543	176	108	449	6,644	33	133	554
2001	7,366	181	97	444	6,482	36	126	557
2000	7,314	188	218	359	6,394	26	129	565
1995	6,089	199	140	317	5,347	21	65	570
1990	4,911	185	104	259	4,243	28	92	431
1985	4,044	180	81	188	3,580	15	..	346
1980	3,161	139	79	114	2,751	78	..	402
1975	3,125	193	97	72	2,763	..	..	467

SOURCE: Office of Highway Safety; Office of Procurement; Office of Property Management

Table 12.3. DRIVER'S LICENSES AND PERMITS IN FORCE: FY1985 TO FY2005

Year	Licenses			Permits		
	Total	Private	Provisional	Total	Commerical	Learner
2005	6,493	5,736	757	1,131	985	146
2004	5,446	4,672	774	1,405	1,264	141
2003	5,248	4,704	544	1,453	1,262	191
2002	4,305	3,709	596	1,309	1,186	123
2001	4,633	4,072	561	1,143	1,035	108
2000	4,671	4,030	641	1,274	1,168	106
1999	4,486	3,992	494	1,047	971	76
1998	4,540	3,950	590	1,316	1,234	82
1997	4,212	3,619	593	1,150	1,072	78
1996	4,612	4,003	609	1,171	1,042	129
1995	4,444	3,754	690	1,238	1,063	175
1994	3,666	2,995	671	1,133	1,094	39
1993	3,639	2,925	714	1,201	1,150	51
1992	4,129	3,473	656	1,301	1,186	115
1991	3,404	2,780	624	1,413	1,003	410
1990	3,645	2,922	723	1,206	1,102	104
1989	3,659	2,808	851	970	938	32
1988	3,450	2,694	756	1,061	855	206
1987	2,792	2,191	601	816	620	196
1986	3,122	2,517	605	928	725	203
1985	3,054	2,291	763	701	528	173

SOURCE: Department of Public Safety, Office of Highway Safety

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Table 12.4. VESSEL AND CARGO MOVEMENT AT PAGO PAGO  
HARBOR: FY2001 TO FY2005

Subject	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001
Incoming vessels	890	953	1,000	1,000	892
Incoming cargo, (tons)	423,714	528,473	905,331	492,330	466,813
Waterfront	422,735	527,303	904,913	491,312	465,685
Oil petroleum	157,463	202,356	190,850	148,407	182,692
Oil vegetables	2,685	6,097	-	3,417	3,535
Commercial	260,039	315,120	710,091	331,071	275,659
Government	1,708	2,377	2,897	6,526	2,841
Private	840	1,353	1,075	1,891	958
Airport	979	1,170	418	1,018	1,128
Commercial	522	610	234	678	773
Government	243	321	60	125	207
Private	214	239	124	215	148
Outgoing vessels	908	971	979	874	855
Outgoing cargo, (tons)	210,253	259,958	211,105	300,844	401
Waterfront	209,861	259,667	210,942	300,299	-
Commercial	209,444	258,142	210,578	299,961	-
Government	146	1,504	146	149	-
Private	271	21	218	189	-
Oil Petroleum	-	-	-	-	-
Airport	392	291	163	545	401
Commercial	133	177	70	300	148
Government	141	33	17	34	58
Private	118	81	76	211	195

SOURCE: Department of Treasury, Customs and Excise Tax Division

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Table 12.5. VESSEL TRAFFIC AT PAGO PAGO HARBOR: FY2001 TO FY2005

Type	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001
Incoming vessels	890	953	1,000	1,000	892
Cruise ships	6	5	9	1	7
Government boats	4	5	2	2	10
Freighters	158	168	163	149	134
Tankers	31	28	32	28	24
Fishing boats	513	573	590	679	520
Yachts	76	68	84	54	89
Local boats	6	8	24	9	13
Military/naval ships	4	2	1	3	3
Barges/tugs	-	1	2	1	1
Reefers	19	23	19	17	21
Others	73	72	74	57	70
Outgoing vessels	908	971	997	962	855
Cruise ships	6	5	9	1	7
Government boats	5	5	4	2	8
Freighters	158	168	163	149	134
Tankers	31	28	32	28	24
Fishing boats	532	593	575	652	495
Yachts	78	67	82	46	89
Local boats	6	8	22	10	13
Military/naval ships	4	2	1	3	3
Barges/tugs	-	1	2	1	1
Reefers	16	22	28	15	20
Others	72	72	79	55	61

SOURCE: Department of Treasury, Customs and Excise Tax Division

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Table 12.6. COMMERCIAL CARRIER AIR TRAFFIC BETWEEN PAGO PAGO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AND ALL DESTINATIONS: FY2001 TO FY2005

Subject	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001
<b>Incoming movements</b>					
Flights	4,044	4,848	5,135	8,121	7,953
Passengers	61,262	74,088	77,243	94,883	94,117
Deplaned	59,288	69,003	75,764	93,651	93,008
Transit	1,974	5,085	1,479	1,232	1,109
Cargo, (lbs.)	2,027,461	1,962,371	1,710,311	1,885,835	1,721,957
Mail, (lbs.)	1,145,901	1,059,215	789,221	1,966,424	1,522,130
<b>Outgoing movements</b>					
Flights	4,044	4,848	5,135	8,121	7,953
Passengers	64,596	79,546	80,709	94,562	92,824
Cargo, (lbs.)	834,544	776,667	1,089,233	1,121,364	900,241
Mail, (lbs.)	279,856	191,450	205,348	1,952,778	1,810,010

SOURCE: Department of Port Administration, Airport Management Division

Table 12.7. COMMERCIAL CARRIER AIR TRAFFIC BETWEEN PAGO PAGO AND HONOLULU: 2004 AND 2005

Month	2005				2004			
	Flights		Passengers		Flights		Passengers	
	In	Out	Arri-vals	Depar-tures	In	Out	Arri-vals	Depar-tures
Monthly average	10	10	2,025	2,101	27	27	2,403	2,520
Annual	120	120	24,297	25,217	324	324	28,835	30,241
January	9	9	1,935	2,260	23	23	1,647	1,680
February	10	10	1,604	1,712	23	23	1,618	1,631
March	10	10	1,740	1,747	27	27	2,251	2,389
April	11	11	2,029	2,034	25	25	2,080	2,495
May	9	9	2,052	2,223	26	26	2,325	2,845
June	10	10	2,153	2,520	27	27	2,731	3,384
July	11	11	2,536	2,712	36	36	3,777	4,020
August	10	10	2,261	2,218	35	35	3,539	3,117
September	9	9	1,960	2,028	28	28	2,136	2,177
October	10	10	2,008	2,018	27	27	2,296	1,872
November	10	10	1,717	1,800	25	25	1,754	1,993
December	11	11	2,302	1,945	22	22	2,681	2,638

SOURCE: Department of Port Administration, Airport Management Division

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 Table 12.8. COMMERCIAL CARRIER AIR TRAFFIC BETWEEN PAGO PAGO  
 AND SAMOA: 2004 AND 2005

Month	2005				2004			
	Flights		Passengers		Flights		Passengers	
	In	Out	Arri- vals	Depar- tures	In	Out	Arri- vals	Depar- tures
Monthly average	221	221	2,916	3,282	264	264	3,473	3,693
Annual	2,657	2,657	34,991	39,379	3,173	3,173	41,676	44,314
January	244	244	3,930	3,707	278	278	3,104	3,275
February	233	233	2,505	3,253	269	269	3,151	3,312
March	264	264	2,791	3,271	296	296	4,393	3,518
April	201	201	2,710	3,196	212	212	3,755	3,783
May	169	169	2,286	2,685	292	292	3,451	3,822
June	171	171	2,556	2,889	215	215	3,455	3,852
July	221	221	3,182	3,553	325	325	4,109	4,533
August	203	203	2,548	2,576	260	260	3,729	3,287
September	195	195	2,292	2,466	284	284	3,154	3,617
October	265	265	3,101	3,441	295	295	2,945	2,737
November	205	205	2,715	2,988	198	198	3,058	3,780
December	286	286	4,375	5,354	249	249	3,372	4,798

SOURCE: Department of Port Administration, Airport Management Division

Table 12.9. AIRCRAFT OPERATIONS BY TYPE OF AIRCRAFT AT PAGO PAGO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT: FY2001 TO FY2005

Type	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001
All movements	3,930	8,278	10,579	11,427	12,448
Air carriers	120	445	269	219	207
Air taxi	3,594	7,341	9,833	10,697	11,602
General aviation	148	268	199	154	203
Military	68	224	278	357	436

SOURCE: U.S. Department of Transportations Federal Aviation Administration, FAA Airport Tower; Department of Port Administration, Airport Management Division

