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# OFFICIAL FOREIGN RESERVES June 2014

Official foreign reserves held by the National Reserve Bank of Tonga (NRBT) rose by \$7.6 million over June 2014, to \$274.4 million, equivalent to 8.9 months of goods imports. Official foreign reserves have risen by \$11.1 million over the past year.

## OFFICIAL FOREIGN RESERVES (millions of pa'anga)

	<u>Level</u>	Changes		Ratio of official foreign reserves to imports
		Month	12 Months	(months)
<u>2012</u>				
Oct	246.2	-1.7	32.3	8.5
Nov	253.7	7.5	40.8	8.8
Dec	257.3	3.6	31.3	9.0
<u>2013</u>				
Jan	260.3	3.0	30.8	9.1
Feb	258.0	-2.3	27.4	8.9
Mar	244.8	-13.3	5.6	8.5
Apr	258.4	13.6	18.1	9.0
May	259.2	0.8	14.2	9.1
Jun	263.3	4.1	17.2	9.1
Jul	252.7	-10.6	1.6	8.8
Aug	256.2	3.5	3.5	9.0
Sep	254.2	-2.0	6.3	8.9 <sup>r</sup>
Oct	260.6	6.4	14.4	8.9 <sup>r</sup>
Nov	265.4	4.8	11.6	9.0°
Dec	271.8	6.4	14.5	9.3 <sup>r</sup>
<u>2014</u>				
Jan	276.7	4.9	16.4	9.4 <sup>r</sup>
Feb	281.1	4.4	23.1	9.4 <sup>r</sup>
Mar	274.8	-6.3	30.0	9.0 <sup>r</sup>
Apr	267.9	-6.9	9.5	8.6 <sup>r</sup>
May	266.8	-1.1	7.6	8.7 <sup>r</sup>
June	274.4	7.6	11.1	8.9

Source: National Reserve Bank of Tonga

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r- Revised figures based on latest trade data from Tonga Department of Statistics to December 2013.