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TABLE 1 - BANKING ACTIVITY

| Banking Activity (US \$ Millions) | Year | | | | | Quarter | | | |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2009.1 | 2009.2 | 2009.3 | 2009.4 |
| Total Deposits | 523.70 | 517.90 | 531.20 | 450.60 | 445.42 | 450.23 | 467.74 | 461.12 | 445.42 |
| Total Demand (Checking) | 178.60 | 143.10 | 156.85 | 135.56 | 144.41 | 134.98 | 131.79 | 130.64 | 144.41 |
| Total Savings | 175.40 | 159.70 | 143.25 | 117.86 | 151.85 | 129.10 | 139.40 | 148.23 | 151.85 |
| Total TCDs* | 169.70 | 215.10 | 231.10 | 197.18 | 149.16 | 186.15 | 196.55 | 182.25 | 149.16 |
| Total Loans | 193.80 | 180.80 | 161.61 | 141.25 | 127.71 | 136.42 | 134.26 | 129.06 | 127.71 |
| Consumer | 81.50 | 74.10 | 65.30 | 56.06 | 50.04 | 53.77 | 52.16 | 50.29 | 50.04 |
| Real Estate | 47.30 | 45.90 | 42.33 | 39.55 | 36.48 | 38.58 | 37.99 | 36.69 | 36.48 |
| Commercial | 65.00 | 60.80 | 53.97 | 45.64 | 41.19 | 44.06 | 44.12 | 42.08 | 41.19 |
| Loan to Deposit Ratio | 37.0% | 34.9% | 30.4% | 31.3% | 28.7% | 30.3% | 28.7% | 28.0% | 28.7% |

Source: Banking Section, Department of Commerce
 *Includes Cashiers Checks

FIGURE 1.1 - BANKING ACTIVITY - DEPOSITS

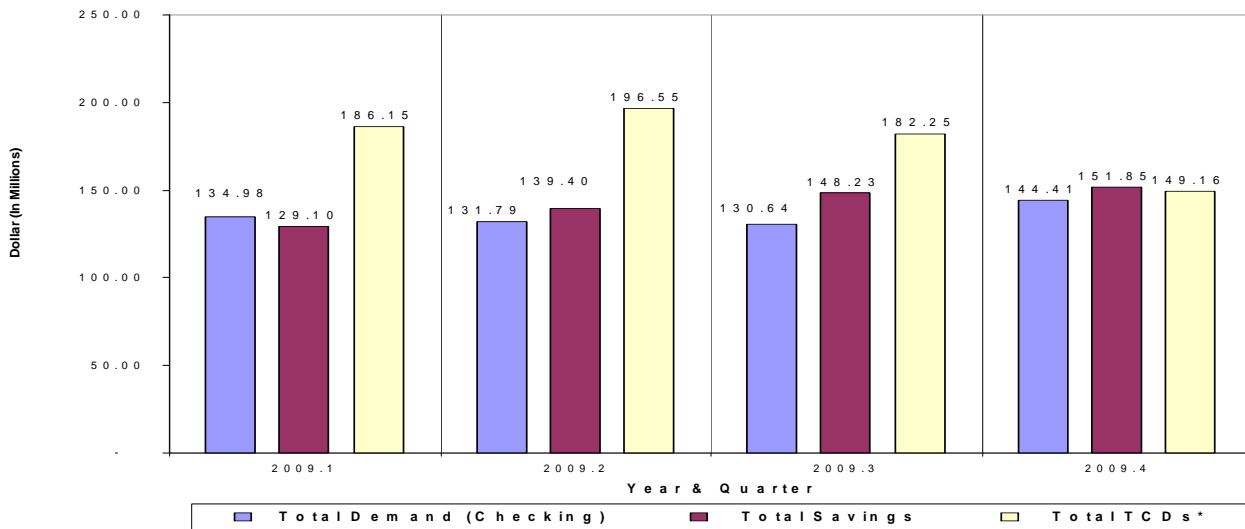


FIGURE 1.2 - BANKING ACTIVITY - LOANS

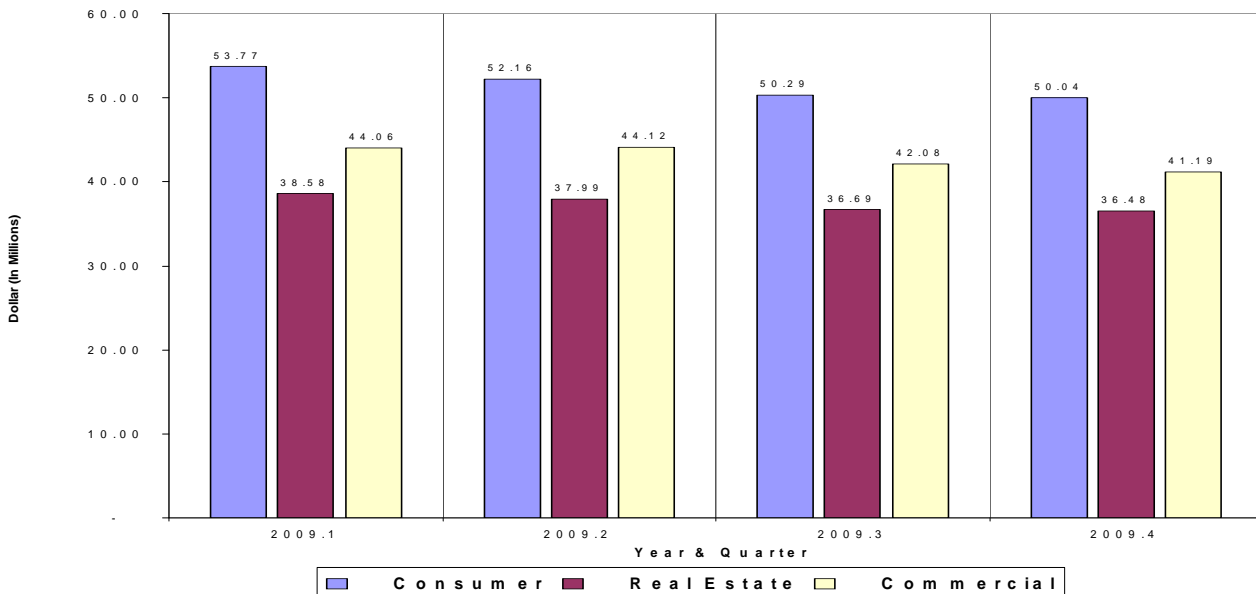


TABLE 2 - REMITTANCE

| Remittances | Year | | | | | Quarter | | | |
|-----------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|---------|--------|--------|--------|
| | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2009.1 | 2009.2 | 2009.3 | 2009.4 |
| Remittances (US \$ Millions) | 112.6 | 102.2 | 93.6 | 76.8 | 64.7 | 16.0 | 16.2 | 15.9 | 16.6 |
| % Change to Previous Year/Quarter | 19.0% | -9.2% | -8.4% | -18.0% | -15.7% | -23.0% | -17.8% | -16.6% | -3.3% |
| % Change to Previous Quarter | | | | | | -6.5% | 0.9% | -1.9% | 4.4% |

Source: Banking Section, Department of Commerce

FIGURE 2 - REMITTANCE

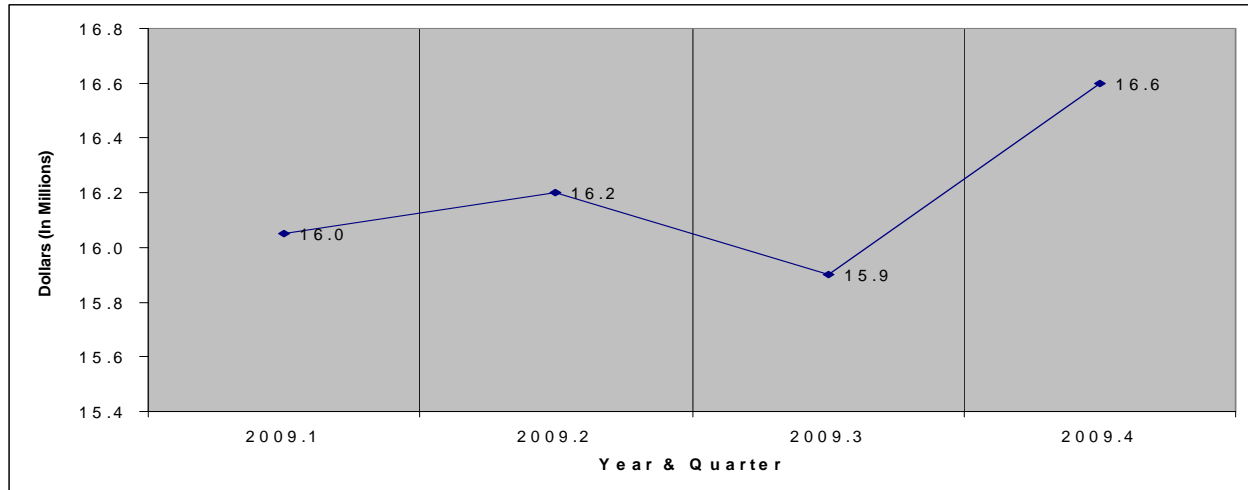


TABLE 3 - AUTO SALES

| Auto Sales | Year | | | | | Quarter | | | |
|-----------------------------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|--------|--------|--------|
| | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2009.1 | 2009.2 | 2009.3 | 2009.4 |
| Total Cars Sold | 1,885 | 1,352 | 1,101 | 966 | 610 | 203 | 203 | 128 | 76 |
| % Change to Previous Year/Quarter | -5.4% | -28.2% | -18.6% | -12.3% | -36.9% | -32.3% | -10.2% | -49.2% | -59.6% |
| % Change to Previous Quarter | | | | | | 8.0% | 0.0% | -36.9% | -40.6% |
| New Cars | 1,555 | 1,000 | 632 | 597 | 306 | 95 | 101 | 68 | 42 |
| Used Cars | 330 | 352 | 469 | 369 | 304 | 108 | 102 | 60 | 34 |

Source: Commonwealth Auto Dealer's Association (CADA)

FIGURE 3 - AUTO SALES

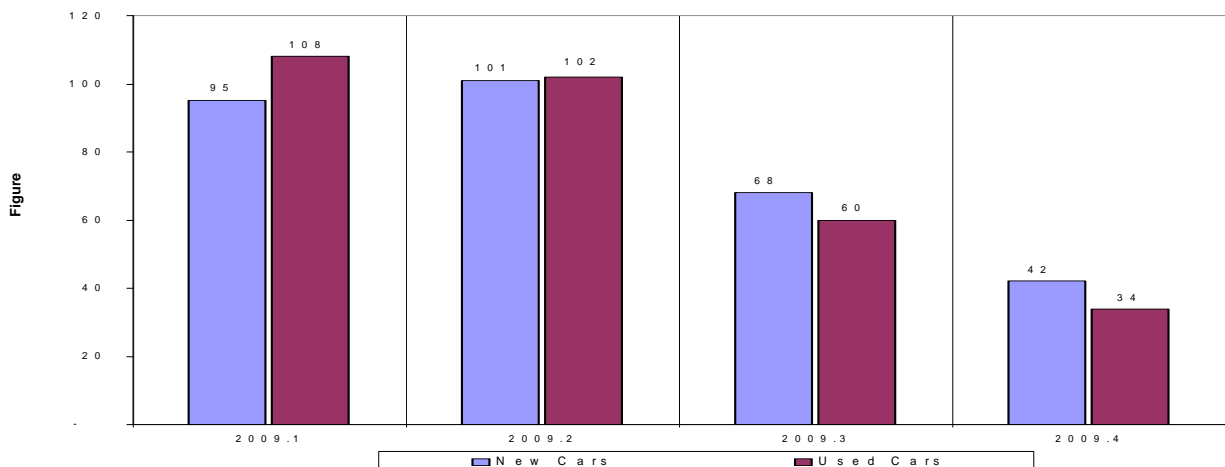


TABLE 4 - VISITOR ARRIVAL

| Visitor Arrivals | Year | | | | | Quarter | | | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| | 2005* | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2009.1 | 2009.2 | 2009.3 | 2009.4 |
| Total Visitors | 491,701 | 435,494 | 389,261 | 396,410 | 353,956 | 107,434 | 73,764 | 99,128 | 73,630 |
| % Change to Previous Year/Quarter | -16.55% | -11.43% | -10.62% | 1.84% | -10.71% | -2.9% | -21.5% | 2.0% | -22.9% |
| % Change to Previous Quarter | | | | | | 12.5% | -31.3% | 34.4% | -25.7% |
| Japan | 351,739 | 269,780 | 200,109 | 201,982 | 191,111 | 63,429 | 38,199 | 54,690 | 34,793 |
| Korea | 69,952 | 82,891 | 108,321 | 116,710 | 89,132 | 22,513 | 19,868 | 24,889 | 21,862 |
| U.S. & Guam | 37,666 | 24,579 | 27,849 | 32,199 | 29,259 | 7,945 | 7,007 | 7,544 | 6,763 |
| China/Hong Kong | 23,410 | 38,313 | 40,331 | 31,095 | 29,814 | 8,747 | 3,792 | 9,385 | 7,890 |
| Phillipines | 2,381 | 4,320 | 5,025 | 1,960 | 1,591 | 322 | 507 | 360 | 402 |
| Russia | | 1,675 | 3,671 | 6,177 | 6,222 | 2,352 | 1,396 | 1,322 | 1,152 |
| Taiwan | 2,085 | 314 | 445 | 278 | 418 | 106 | 17 | 235 | 60 |
| Others Areas* | 4,468 | 6,178 | 3,510 | 6,009 | 6,409 | 2,020 | 2,978 | 703 | 708 |

Source: Marianas Visitors Authority (MVA)

*Note: 2005 includes China/Hong Kong, Phillipines, Russia, & Taiwan

FIGURE 4 - VISITOR ARRIVAL

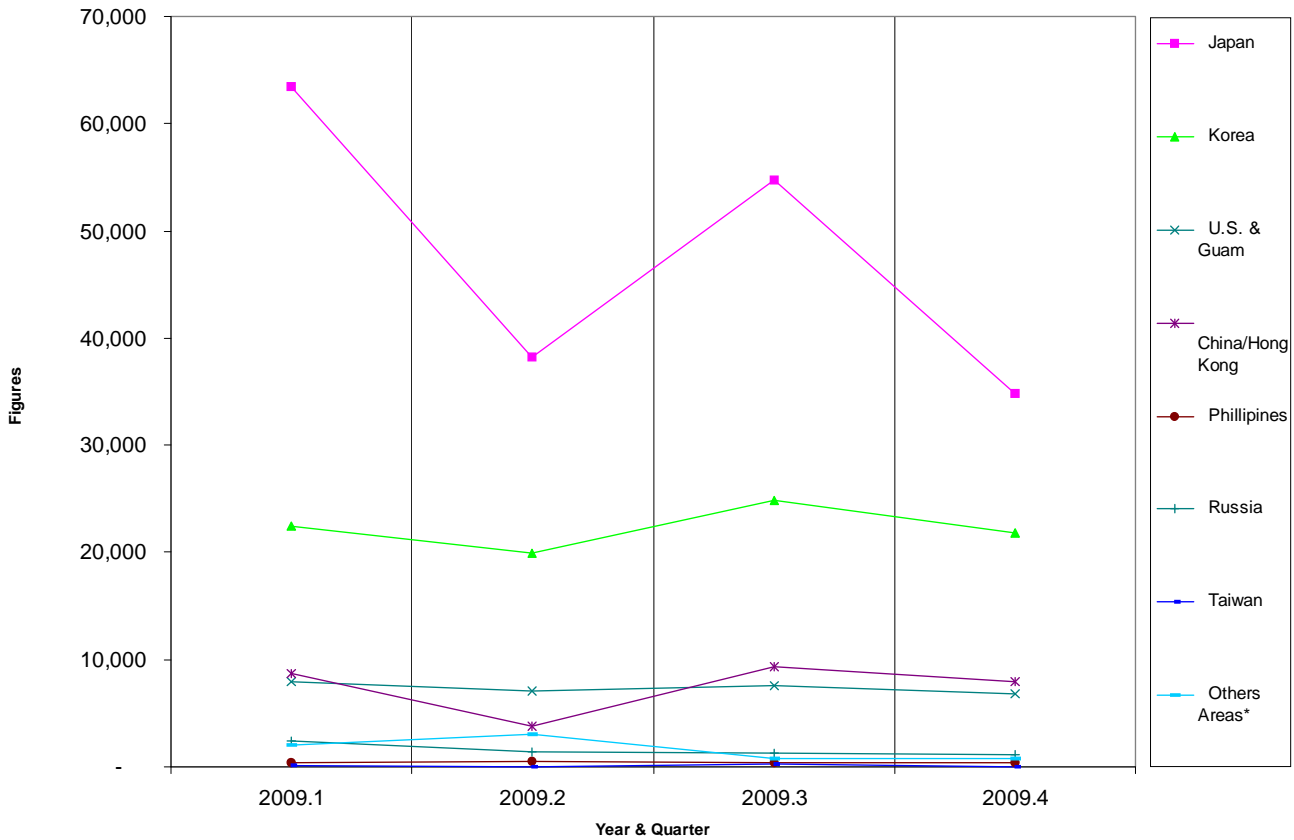


TABLE 5 - AVERAGE CNMI HOTEL DAILY RATE

| Hotel Daily Rates | Year | | | | | Quarter | | | |
|-----------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------|--------|--------|--------|
| | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2009.1 | 2009.2 | 2009.3 | 2009.4 |
| Average Daily Rates (\$) | 83.00 | 90.00 | 92.12 | 97.74 | 95.22 | 99.99 | 91.40 | 96.56 | 92.92 |
| % Change to Previous Year/Quarter | 3.8% | 8.4% | 2.4% | 6.1% | -2.6% | -1.1% | -1.5% | -5.2% | -2.4% |
| % Change to Previous Quarter | | | | | | 5.0% | -8.6% | 5.6% | -3.8% |

Source: Hotel Association of the Northern Mariana Islands (HANMI). Data from HANMI members only.

Note: All Percents are Rounded to the Nearest Tenth

FIGURE 5 - AVERAGE CNMI HOTEL DAILY RATE

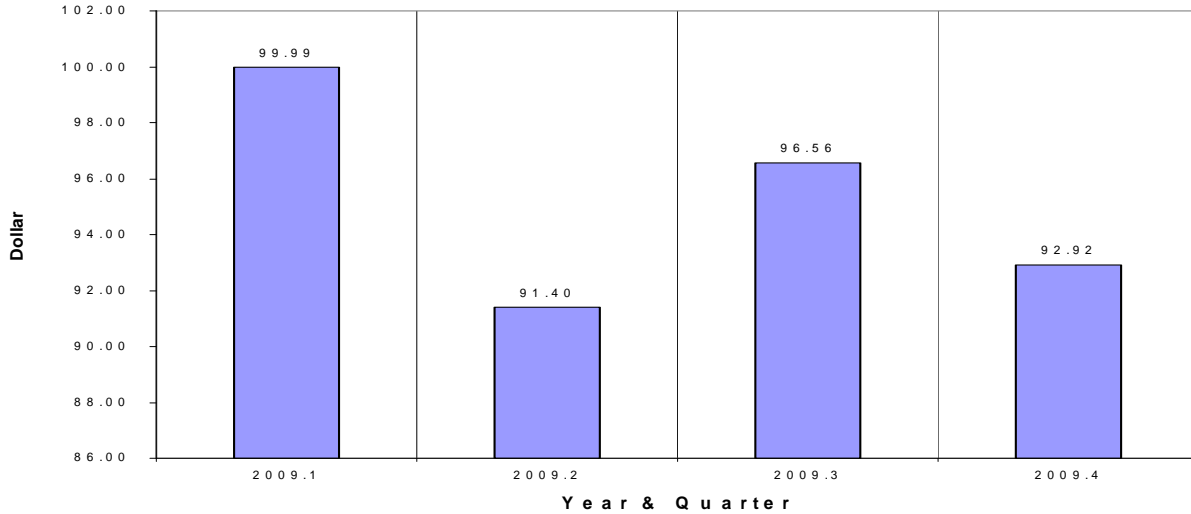


TABLE 6 - AVERAGE CNMI HOTEL OCCUPANCY RATE

| Hotel Occupancy Rate | Year | | | | | Quarter | | | |
|-----------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------|--------|--------|--------|
| | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2009.1 | 2009.2 | 2009.3 | 2009.4 |
| Hotel Occupancy Rate (%) | 70.0% | 62.0% | 58.9% | 60.7% | 58.3% | 73.2% | 50.0% | 61.4% | 48.4% |
| % Change to Previous Year/Quarter | -3% | -11% | -5% | -2% | -4% | 3.7% | -12.2% | 3.8% | -20.3% |
| % Change to Previous Quarter | | | | | | 20.5% | -31.7% | 22.7% | -21.2% |

Source: Hotel Association of the Northern Mariana Islands (HANMI). Data from HANMI members only.

Note: Percentages are Rounded to the Nearest Tenth

FIGURE 6 - AVERAGE CNMI HOTEL OCCUPANCY RATE

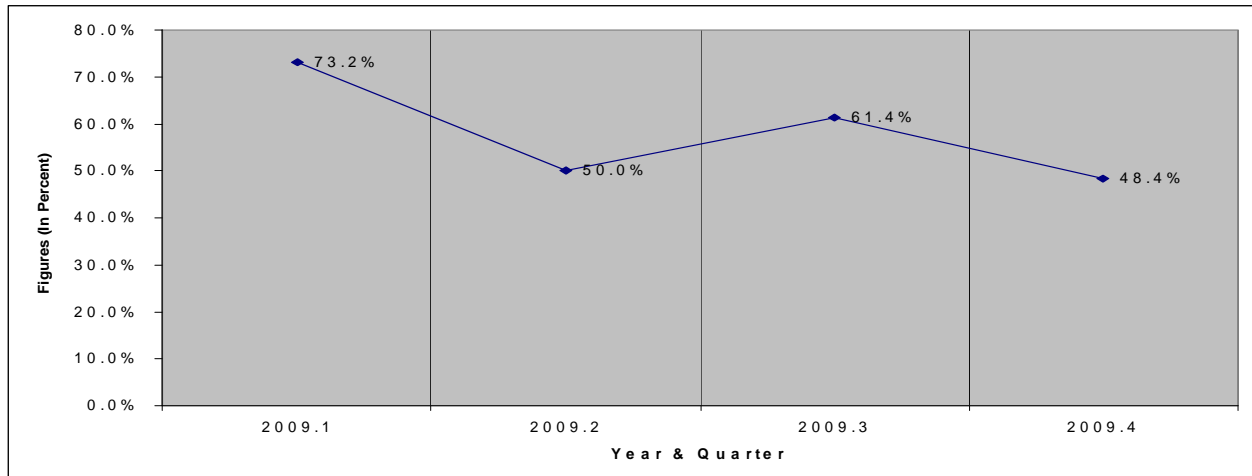


TABLE 7 - BUSINESS GROSS REVENUE (BGR) REPORTED

| Business Gross Revenue (BGR) | Year | | | | | Quarter | | | |
|-----------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------|--------|--------|--------|
| | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2009.1 | 2009.2 | 2009.3 | 2009.4 |
| BGR Reported* (US \$ Millions) | 2,020 | 1,829 | 1,672 | 1,668 | 1,552 | 411.48 | 395.72 | 356.68 | 388.14 |
| % Change to Previous Year/Quarter | -0.7% | -9.5% | -8.6% | -8.8% | -6.9% | -1.2% | -6.7% | -16.6% | -7.7% |
| % Change to Previous Quarter | | | | | | -2.1% | -3.8% | -9.9% | 8.8% |

Source: Department of Finance

*Estimated based on BGRT and other income tax collections.

FIGURE 7 - BUSINESS GROSS REVENUE (BGR) REPORTED

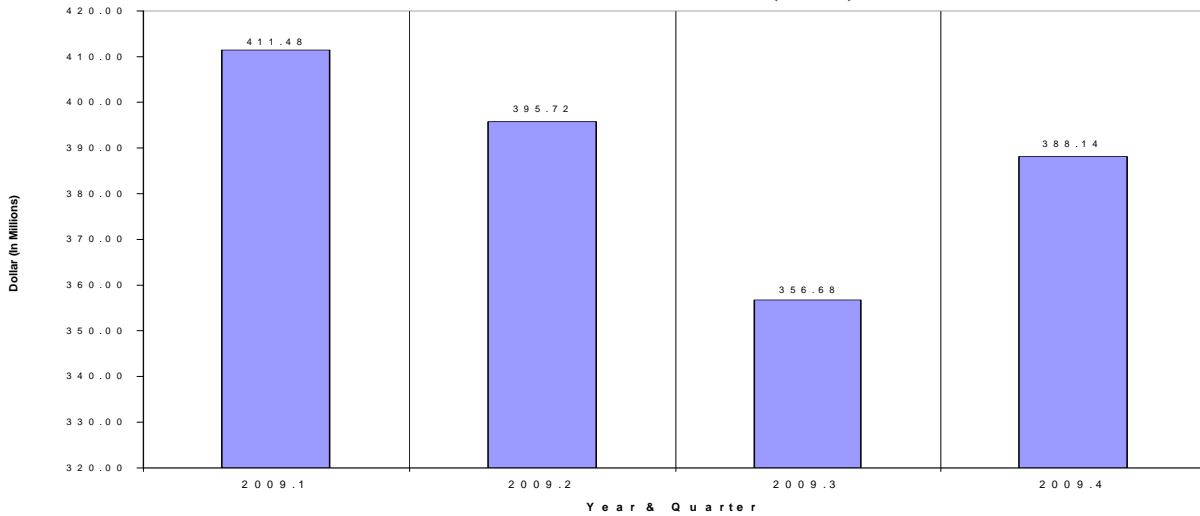


TABLE 8 - GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURES

| General Expenditures | Year | | | | | Quarter | | | |
|-------------------------------------------|--------|---------|---------|---------|--------|---------|--------|--------|--------|
| | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2009.1 | 2009.2 | 2009.3 | 2009.4 |
| Government Expenditures (US \$ Millions)* | 224.10 | 195.60 | 162.67 | 170.60 | 168.12 | 39.86 | 38.27 | 42.67 | 47.32 |
| % Change to Previous Year/Quarter | 4.04% | -12.72% | -16.83% | -12.78% | -1.45% | -9.2% | -17.6% | 11.9% | 8.1% |
| % Change to Previous Quarter | | | | | | -9.0% | -4.0% | 11.5% | 10.9% |

Source: Department of Finance

*Note: FY07 - 08 expenditures do not include suspended employer retirement contributions

FIGURE 8 - GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURES

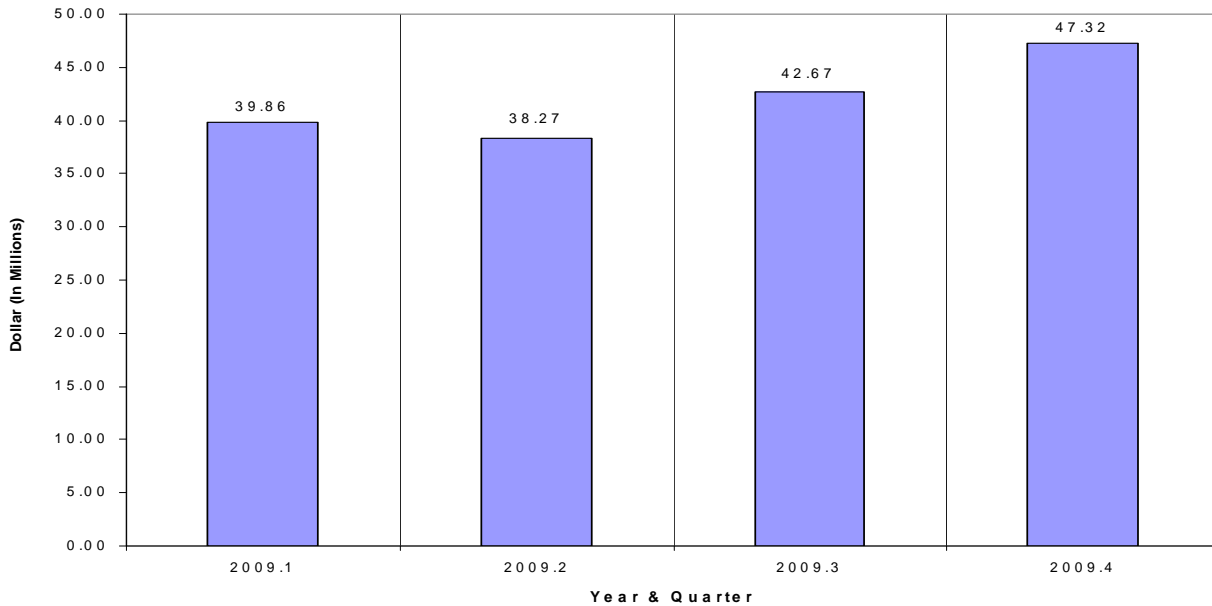


TABLE 9 - GENERAL FUND REVENUE (TAXES AND FEES COLLECTED)

| General Fund Revenue (Taxes and Fees Collected) | Year | | | | | Quarter | | | |
|-------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2009.1 | 2009.2 | 2009.3 | 2009.4 |
| Total (US \$ Millions) | 210.29 | 192.03 | 163.03 | 162.26 | 154.69 | 34.848 | 33.340 | 53.695 | 32.806 |
| % Change to Previous Year/Quarter | -3.49% | -8.68% | -15.10% | -15.50% | -4.67% | -12.9% | -15.6% | 13.4% | -8.6% |
| % Change to Previous Quarter | | | | | | -2.9% | -4.3% | 61.1% | -38.9% |
| Business Gross Receipt | 58.29 | 54.05 | 49.04 | 50.08 | 44.77 | 12.921 | 11.193 | 9.514 | 11.137 |
| Wage & Salary | 32.68 | 28.58 | 26.20 | 25.71 | 24.43 | 5.733 | 4.893 | 7.240 | 6.566 |
| NMTT Personal (Chp. 7) / Corp. Income | 10.01 | 15.05 | 8.34 | 12.90 | 15.51 | 1.920 | 3.700 | 8.190 | 1.704 |
| Excise | 23.88 | 24.41 | 20.58 | 19.98 | 17.99 | 4.485 | 4.396 | 4.687 | 4.422 |
| Hotel Occupancy | 6.50 | 5.54 | 4.93 | 5.61 | 5.14 | 1.783 | 1.118 | 1.249 | 0.990 |
| Fuel/Container/Bar | 10.24 | 7.25 | 6.82 | 6.50 | 6.37 | 2.087 | 0.557 | 2.497 | 1.233 |
| Garment Certification | 24.08 | 18.06 | 11.38 | 5.39 | 0.12 | 0.117 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| *Fees, Charges, & Other Revenues | 44.61 | 33.81 | 39.26 | 33.74 | 29.95 | 4.809 | 6.232 | 12.707 | 6.200 |
| Transfers from Other Funds | | | | 5.90 | 12.06 | 1.619 | 1.366 | 7.727 | 1.352 |
| Revenue Transfer to Other Funds | | | -3.51 | -3.56 | -1.66 | -0.626 | -0.115 | -0.116 | -0.798 |

Source: Department of Finance

*Note: Also Includes "Transfers From Other Funds" for Years 2005 - 2007

FIGURE 9 - GENERAL FUND REVENUE (TAXES AND FEES COLLECTED)

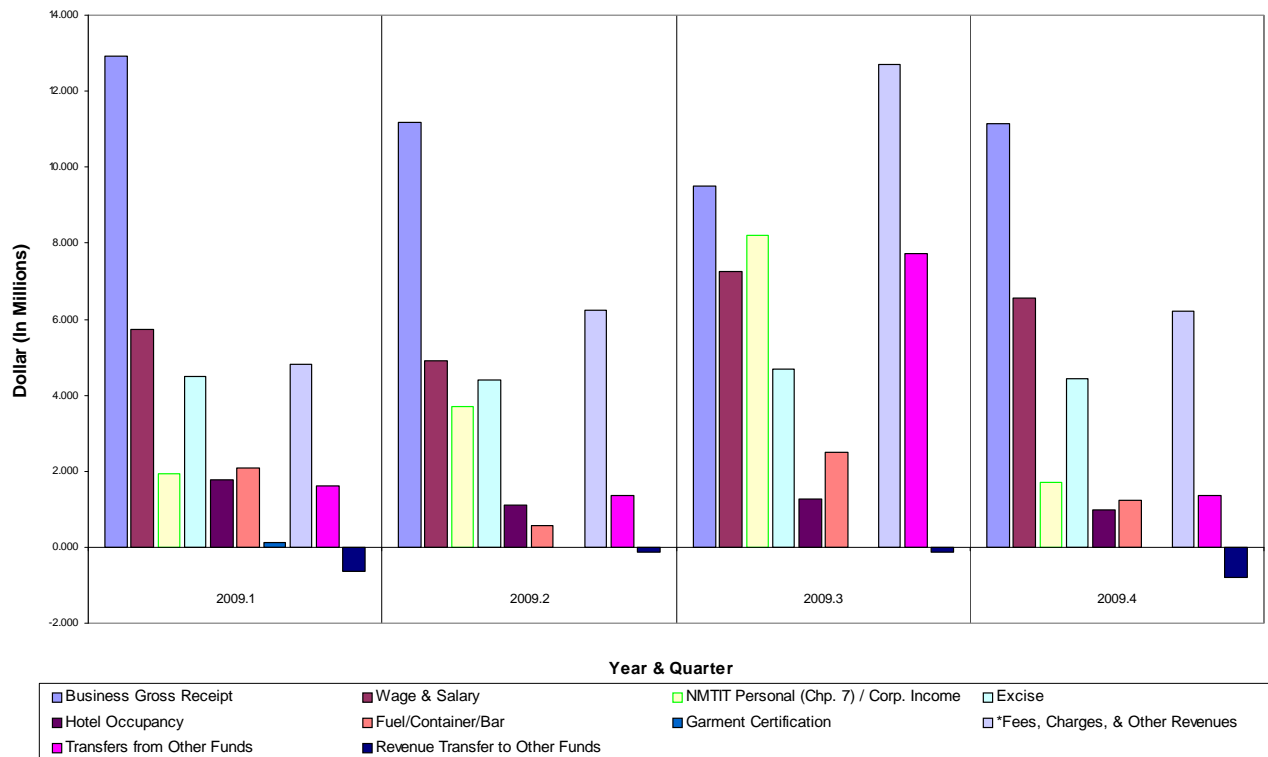


TABLE 10 - IMPORTS

| Imports | Year | | | | | Quarter | | | |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| | 2005* | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2009.1 | 2009.2 | 2009.3 | 2009.4 |
| Total Tonnage (In Thousands) | 605.50 | 540.20 | 439.44 | 384.55 | 220.88 | 79.34 | 89.21 | 22.90 | 29.42 |
| Petroleum, Oil, Lubricants (P.O.L.) | 214.20 | 203.40 | 175.99 | 157.24 | 105.19 | 39.09 | 41.28 | 8.91 | 15.91 |
| Cement | 19.20 | 16.80 | 27.15 | 24.66 | 8.72 | 1.67 | 5.86 | 0.56 | 0.63 |
| Garment | 112.90 | 91.50 | 51.64 | 21.77 | 0.09 | 0.02 | 0.07 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Food Items | | 62.30 | 53.53 | 51.41 | 30.66 | 12.20 | 11.06 | 3.99 | 3.41 |
| Construction Materials | | 16.60 | 14.90 | 17.25 | 8.11 | 2.05 | 3.93 | 0.83 | 1.29 |
| Beverages | | 23.50 | 20.66 | 20.35 | 13.39 | 4.65 | 5.45 | 1.71 | 1.57 |
| Others | 259.20 | 125.90 | 95.57 | 91.87 | 54.72 | 19.65 | 21.56 | 6.90 | 6.61 |

Source: Port of Saipan, Commonwealth Ports Authority (CPA)

*Note: Others include Food, Construction Materials & Beverages for 2005

FIGURE 10 - IMPORTS (IN THOUSANDS)

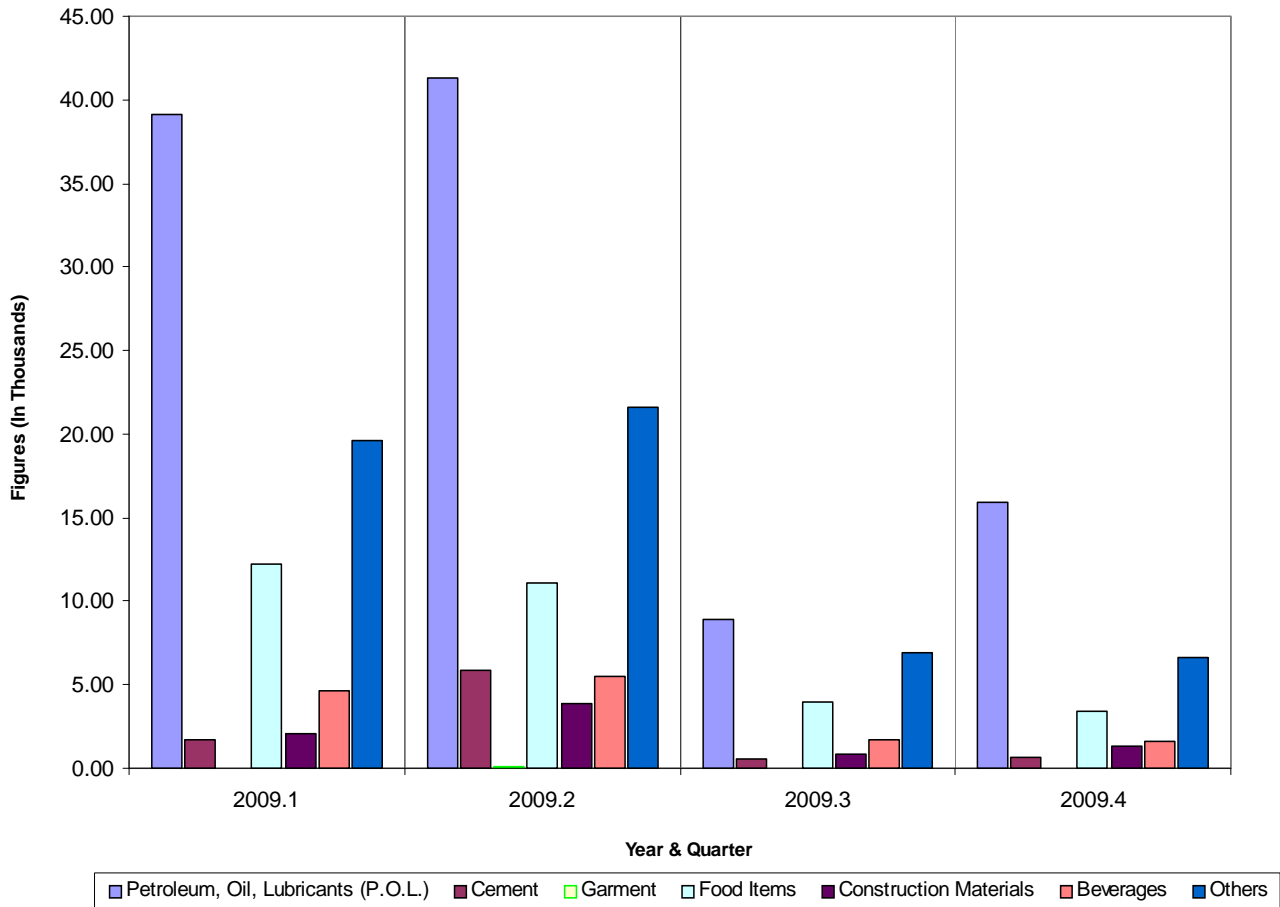


TABLE 11 - EXPORTS

| Exports | Year | | | | | Quarter | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|
| | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2008.1 | 2008.2 | 2008.3 | 2008.4 | 2009.1 | 2009.2 |
| Garment Exports Value (US \$ Millions)* | 650.80 | 486.50 | 307.57 | 145.78 | 3.14 | 47.54 | 25.24 | 15.70 | 9.73 | 3.14 | 0.00 |
| % Change to Previous Year/Quarter | -21.21% | -25.25% | -36.78% | -70.03% | -98.98% | -53.34% | -67.11% | -78.07% | -83.02% | -93.41% | -100.00% |
| % Change to Previous Quarter | | | | | | -17.03% | -46.90% | -37.79% | -38.04% | -67.78% | -100.00% |

Source: Department of Finance

*Note: Estimated Based on Garment Certification Fee Collection

FIGURE 11 - EXPORTS (IN MILLIONS)

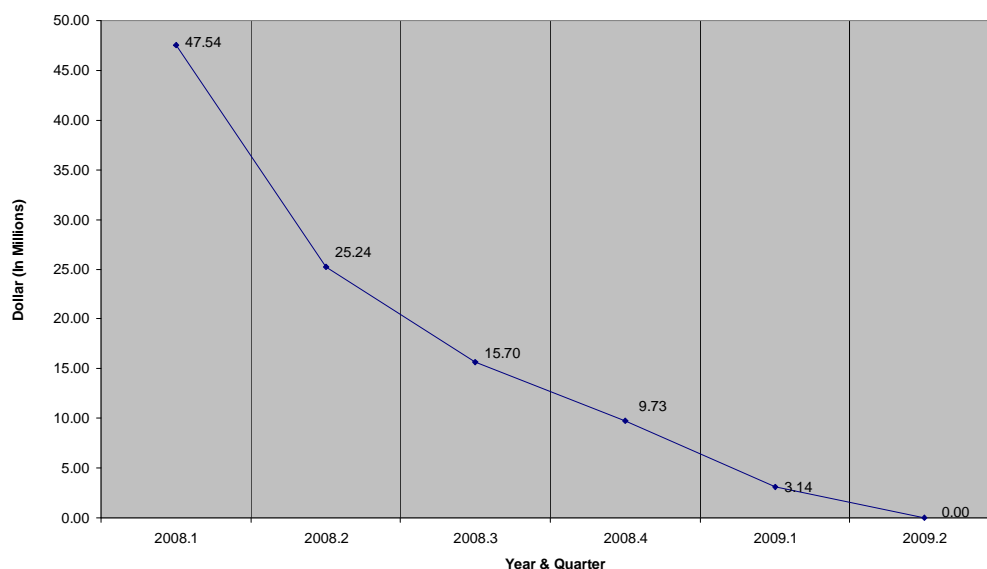


TABLE 12 - TELEPHONE LINES

| Telephone Lines | Year | | | | | Quarter | | | |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2009.1 | 2009.2 | 2009.3 | 2009.4 |
| Total Telephone Lines | 31,752 | 30,684 | 28,963 | 29,487 | 28,697 | 30,129 | 29,526 | 29,536 | 28,697 |
| % Change to Previous Year/Quarter | 0.7% | -3.4% | -5.6% | -3.9% | -0.9% | 5.2% | 0.0% | 0.2% | -5.8% |
| % Change to Previous Quarter | | | | | | -1.1% | -2.0% | 0.0% | -2.8% |
| Total Commercial Phone Lines | 20,551 | 20,592 | 20,001 | 21,033 | 20,934 | 21,997 | 21,537 | 21,634 | 20,934 |
| % Change to Previous Year/Quarter | 4.2% | 0.20% | -2.9% | 2.1% | 4.7% | 10.8% | 3.2% | 2.9% | -5.5% |
| % Change to Previous Quarter | | | | | | -0.7% | -2.1% | 0.5% | -3.2% |
| Saipan | 10,668 | 9,737 | 8,689 | 8,285 | 8,238 | 7,966 | 7,920 | 7,886 | 7,913 |
| Tinian | 435 | 387 | 376 | 362 | 366 | 361 | 363 | 363 | 356 |
| Rota | 466 | 428 | 410 | 388 | 385 | 376 | 377 | 365 | 363 |
| Special Access | 8,982 | 10,040 | 10,526 | 11,998 | 13,166 | 13,294 | 12,877 | 13,020 | 12,302 |
| Total Residential Phone Lines | 11,201 | 10,092 | 8,962 | 8,454 | 7,763 | 8,132 | 7,989 | 7,902 | 7,763 |
| % Change to Previous Year/Quarter | -5.1% | -9.90% | -11.2% | -16.2% | -13.4% | -7.4% | -7.8% | -6.5% | -6.5% |
| % Change to Previous Quarter | | | | | | -2.1% | -1.8% | -1.1% | -1.8% |
| Saipan | 10,178 | 9,096 | 8,045 | 7,550 | 7,414 | 7,271 | 7,131 | 7,057 | 6,934 |
| Tinian | 499 | 492 | 458 | 450 | 439 | 429 | 419 | 422 | 416 |
| Rota | 524 | 504 | 459 | 454 | 450 | 432 | 439 | 423 | 413 |

Source: Island Telecom & Engineering (IT&E)

FIGURE 12.1 - COMMERCIAL PHONE LINES BY ISLAND

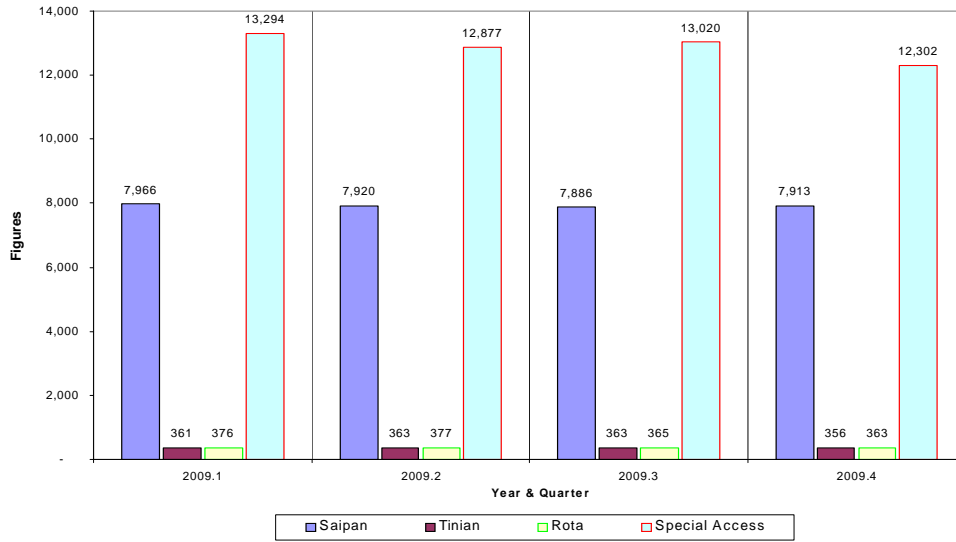


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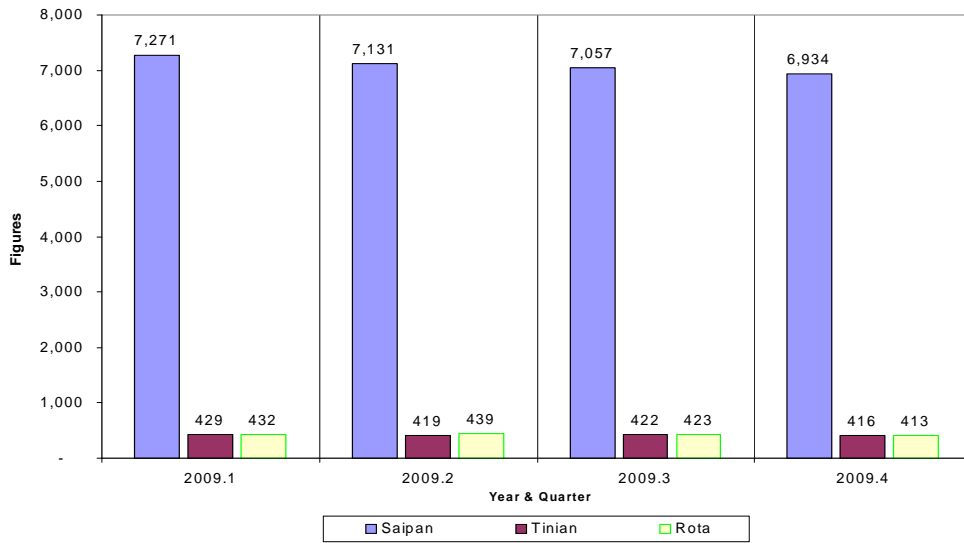


FIGURE 12.3 - COMMERCIAL & RESIDENTIAL PHONE LINES (TOTALS)

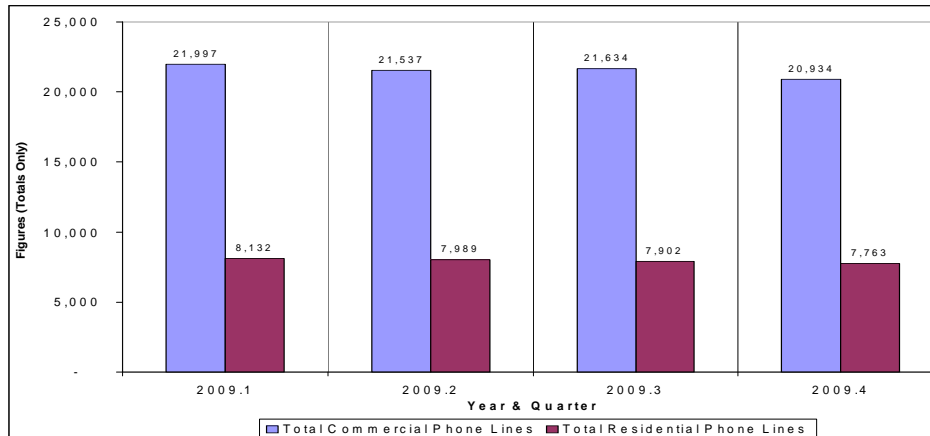


TABLE 13 - BUILDING PERMITS

| CNMI Building Permits Issued | Year | | | | | Quarter | | | |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2009.1 | 2009.2 | 2009.3 | 2009.4 |
| Total No. of Permits | 350 | 292 | 255 | 234 | 120 | 33 | 35 | 33 | 19 |
| No. of Commercial | 164 | 125 | 121 | 114 | 55 | 15 | 21 | 11 | 8 |
| No. of Residential | 186 | 167 | 120 | 105 | 45 | 11 | 10 | 14 | 10 |
| No. of Government* | | | 14 | 15 | 20 | 7 | 4 | 8 | 1 |
| Total Value (US \$ Millions) | 28.89 | 11.79 | 16.23 | 36.41 | 16.23 | 2.33 | 10.14 | 2.50 | 1.25 |
| Commercial | 19.94 | 3.59 | 8.96 | 26.66 | 2.77 | 0.74 | 0.80 | 0.27 | 0.95 |
| Residential | 8.95 | 7.74 | 5.06 | 5.44 | 3.53 | 1.00 | 0.85 | 1.38 | 0.30 |
| Government* | | | 2.21 | 4.31 | 9.94 | 0.59 | 8.49 | 0.86 | 0.00 |

Source: Building Safety Code Division, Department of Public Works
 *Recent Addition to 2007

FIGURE 13.1 - NUMBER OF BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED

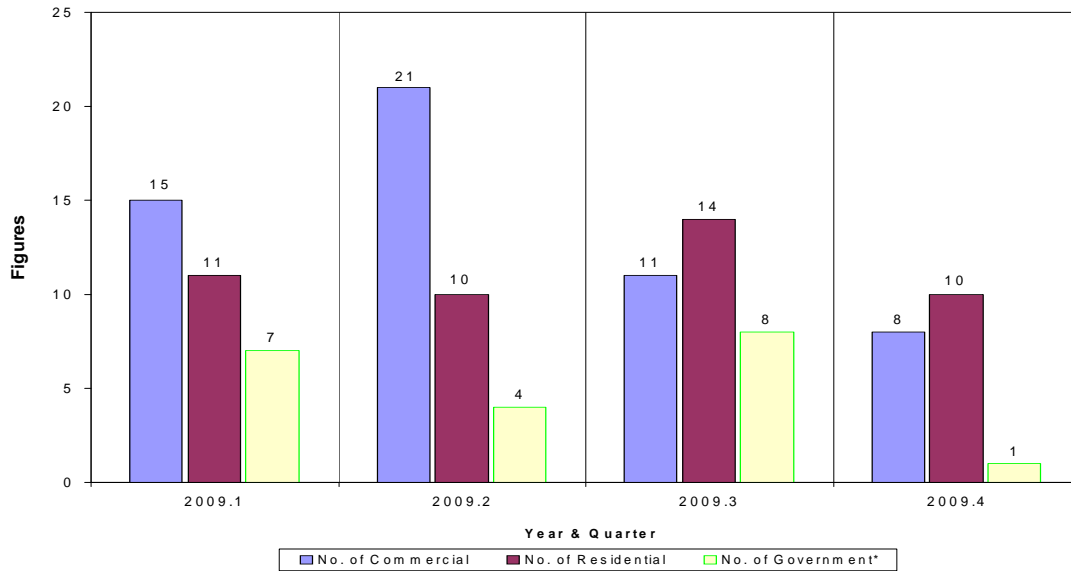


FIGURE 13.2 - VALUES OF BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED (IN MILLIONS)

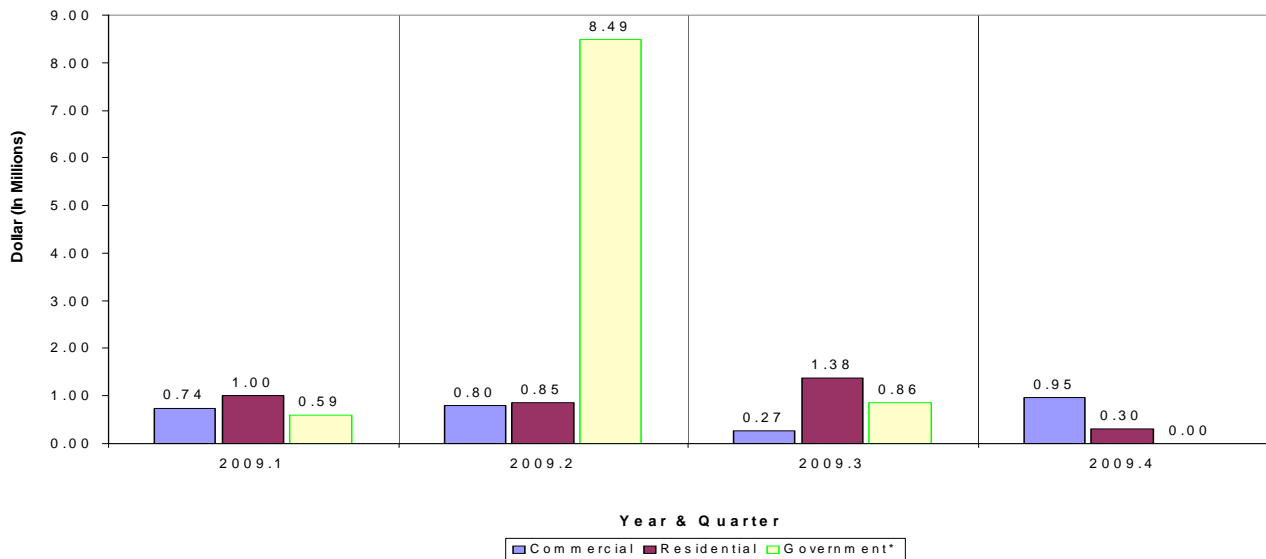


TABLE 14 - CNMI CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI) 3RD QUARTER

COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

4th Quarter 2008 = 100

| Groups | 3rd Qtr 2009 | 2nd Qtr 2009 | 3rd Qtr 2008 | To 3rd Qtr09 fm 2nd Qtr09 | To 3rd Qtr09 fm 3rd Qtr 08 |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| All Items | 101.9 | 101.5 | 99.8 | 0.4 | 2.1 |
| Food | 104.6 | 101.6 | 97.7 | 3.0 | 7.0 |
| Alcoholic Beverages | 106.7 | 106.5 | 99.2 | 0.2 | 7.5 |
| Housing and Utilities | 97.9 | 101.3 | 104.3 | -3.4 | -6.2 |
| Apparel | 103.5 | 100.8 | 99.4 | 2.6 | 4.1 |
| Transportation | 105.4 | 103.4 | 92.3 | 2.0 | 14.2 |
| Medical Care | 102.3 | 102.8 | 96.7 | -0.5 | 5.8 |
| Recreation | 104.9 | 102.1 | 100.0 | 2.8 | 4.9 |
| Education and Communication | 95.5 | 99.7 | 99.5 | -4.3 | -4.1 |
| Other Goods and Services | 102.3 | 101.7 | 100.0 | 0.6 | 2.3 |

Source: Department of Commerce, Central Statistics Division

TABLE 15 - CNMI CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI) 4TH QUARTER

COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

4th Quarter 2008 = 100

| Groups | 4th Qtr 2009 | 3rd Qtr 2009 | 4th Qtr 2008 | To 4th Qtr09 fm 3rd Qtr09 | To 4th Qtr09 fm 4th Qtr 08 |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| All Items | 105.6 | 101.9 | 100.0 | 3.7 | 5.6 |
| Food | 106.1 | 104.6 | 100.0 | 1.4 | 6.1 |
| Alcoholic Beverages | 106.5 | 106.7 | 100.0 | -0.2 | 6.5 |
| Housing and Utilities | 108.0 | 97.9 | 100.0 | 10.3 | 8.0 |
| Apparel | 104.3 | 103.5 | 100.0 | 0.8 | 4.3 |
| Transportation | 108.5 | 105.4 | 100.0 | 2.9 | 8.5 |
| Medical Care | 101.5 | 102.3 | 100.0 | -0.8 | 1.5 |
| Recreation | 105.1 | 104.9 | 100.0 | 0.2 | 5.1 |
| Education and Communication | 95.6 | 95.5 | 100.0 | 0.1 | -4.4 |
| Other Goods and Services | 102.8 | 102.3 | 100.0 | 0.5 | 2.8 |

Source: Department of Commerce, Central Statistics Division

TABLE 16 - HISTORICAL CPIs FOR SELECTED GROUPS

COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS
1st Quarter 2003 / 4th Quarter 2008 = 100

| Year & Quarter | Food | Alcoholic Beverages | Housing Utilities | Apparel | Transportation | Medical Care | Recreation | Education Communication | Other Goods & Services | All Items |
|----------------|-------|---------------------|-------------------|---------|----------------|--------------|------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-----------|
| Wgts | 19.02 | 1.72 | 27.73 | 2.24 | 33.52 | 2.36 | 2.44 | 5.68 | 5.30 | 100.0 |
| 2000.1 | 93.7 | | 67.5 | 107.0 | 92.8 | 78.0 | | | | 82.4 |
| 2000.2 | 92.6 | | 67.8 | 105.9 | 94.9 | 85.6 | | | | 84.5 |
| 2000.3 | 94.4 | | 68.6 | 106.4 | 97.0 | 86.1 | | | | 85.7 |
| 2000.4 | 91.7 | | 66.0 | 106.5 | 97.1 | 85.7 | | | | 84.1 |
| 2001.1 | 88.2 | | 66.4 | 106.5 | 96.8 | 85.3 | | | | 83.2 |
| 2001.2 | 90.4 | | 66.3 | 106.0 | 96.3 | 85.3 | | | | 83.5 |
| 2001.3 | 89.9 | | 68.2 | 106.0 | 95.9 | 85.2 | | | | 83.6 |
| 2001.4 | 90.7 | | 67.0 | 106.9 | 94.5 | 85.0 | | | | 83.6 |
| 2002.1 | 89.2 | | 67.3 | 105.7 | 95.2 | 90.6 | | | | 84.8 |
| 2002.2 | 87.3 | | 64.4 | 106.4 | 96.6 | 90.3 | | | | 83.7 |
| 2002.3 | 86.1 | | 66.3 | 106.2 | 96.6 | 90.4 | | | | 83.7 |
| 2002.4 | 83.8 | | 65.7 | 100.1 | 96.9 | 90.4 | | | | 82.5 |
| 2003.1 | 84.2 | 95.9 | 65.5 | 98.6 | 95.7 | 92.5 | 101.9 | 98.7 | 92.9 | 83.0 |
| 2003.2 | 84.4 | 96.1 | 65.5 | 98.8 | 95.4 | 92.5 | 101.2 | 98.5 | 92.9 | 82.9 |
| 2003.3 | 84.7 | 95.9 | 65.0 | 99.6 | 95.4 | 92.5 | 101.0 | 98.9 | 92.9 | 82.8 |
| 2003.4 | 84.6 | 95.8 | 64.1 | 99.1 | 96.2 | 92.5 | 98.2 | 98.3 | 92.9 | 82.6 |
| 2004.1 | 86.8 | 95.8 | 64.4 | 99.5 | 96.2 | 92.5 | 97.5 | 98.2 | 92.9 | 83.2 |
| 2004.2 | 87.6 | 95.6 | 64.0 | 98.4 | 96.6 | 92.5 | 103.5 | 98.3 | 100.6 | 83.7 |
| 2004.3 | 88.6 | 96.0 | 63.8 | 94.2 | 95.7 | 92.5 | 100.8 | 97.4 | 100.6 | 83.4 |
| 2004.4 | 90.4 | 95.8 | 64.2 | 91.3 | 95.9 | 92.5 | 100.5 | 99.6 | 100.6 | 84.0 |
| 2005.1 | 90.0 | 95.9 | 64.3 | 96.6 | 96.3 | 92.5 | 100.7 | 96.7 | 100.6 | 84.1 |
| 2005.2 | 85.5 | 103.3 | 66.3 | 96.9 | 92.4 | 93.2 | 101.9 | 100.2 | 91.4 | 89.9 |
| 2005.3 | 84.3 | 96.3 | 65.7 | 98.7 | 92.2 | 92.8 | 102.0 | 98.3 | 94.2 | 83.0 |
| 2005.4 | 84.7 | 95.5 | 65.6 | 100.8 | 95.2 | 92.5 | 101.7 | 99.5 | 93.9 | 83.0 |
| 2006.1 | 85.3 | 96.8 | 65.7 | 100.1 | 109.1 | 92.8 | 108.6 | 101.7 | 93.6 | 83.0 |
| 2006.2 | 84.4 | 96.1 | 65.5 | 99.6 | 96.2 | 92.5 | 101.9 | 99.4 | 92.9 | 83.0 |
| 2006.3 | 93.7 | 97.1 | 65.5 | 137.8 | 96.2 | 92.5 | 101.9 | 100.9 | 92.9 | 83.0 |
| 2006.4 | 94.0 | 98.1 | 65.5 | 138.6 | 96.0 | 92.5 | 101.9 | 97.8 | 93.3 | 83.0 |
| 2007.1 | 88.3 | 99.6 | 92.3 | 100.4 | 95.7 | 92.5 | 102.2 | 99.5 | 92.9 | 93.3 |
| 2007.2 | 89.4 | 99.6 | 94.6 | 100.7 | 95.7 | 93.5 | 102.3 | 99.3 | 92.9 | 94.4 |
| Year & Quarter | Food | Alcoholic Beverages | Housing Utilities | Apparel | Transportation | Medical Care | Recreation | Education Communication | Other Goods & Services | All Items |
| Wgts | 19.02 | 1.72 | 27.73 | 2.24 | 33.52 | 2.36 | 2.44 | 5.68 | 5.30 | 100.0 |
| 2007.3 | 89.6 | 99.6 | 94.7 | 100.9 | 95.7 | 93.5 | 102.8 | 99.3 | 92.9 | 94.4 |
| 2007.4 | 90.4 | 100.0 | 94.9 | 100.9 | 95.7 | 93.5 | 103.0 | 99.3 | 92.9 | 94.7 |
| 2008.1 | 94.3 | 102.0 | 92.3 | 101.0 | 95.7 | 99.8 | 104.4 | 99.2 | 92.9 | 94.7 |
| 2008.2 | 94.6 | 102.8 | 105.8 | 99.9 | 98.8 | 99.8 | 101.7 | 99.2 | 92.9 | 100.3 |
| 2008.3 | 97.7 | 99.2 | 104.3 | 99.4 | 92.3 | 96.7 | 100.0 | 99.5 | 100.0 | 99.8 |
| 2008.4 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| 2009.1 | 100.6 | 106.5 | 99.8 | 99.8 | 100.5 | 102.8 | 100.2 | 96.4 | 101.7 | 100.2 |
| 2009.2 | 101.6 | 106.5 | 101.3 | 100.8 | 103.4 | 102.8 | 102.1 | 99.7 | 101.7 | 101.5 |
| 2009.3 | 104.6 | 106.7 | 97.9 | 103.5 | 105.4 | 102.3 | 104.9 | 95.5 | 102.3 | 101.9 |
| 2009.4 | 106.1 | 106.5 | 108.0 | 104.3 | 108.5 | 101.5 | 105.1 | 95.6 | 102.8 | 105.6 |

1 The previous Consumer Price Index had only 5 major groups rather than the 9 that are in the revised CPI. Nevertheless, these historical CPIs will provide users with some indication of historical price movement of the CPI.

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