



RWANDA REVENUE AUTHORITY
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I am very pleased to present the inaugural edition of the Tax Statistics in Rwanda publication. This marks an important step in improving and displaying the quality of tax statistics and analysis within Rwanda Revenue Authority (RRA). In addition, this publication is intended to be a useful tool for our stakeholders, and to improve the public understanding of tax collections in Rwanda.

#### **Foreword by the Commissioner General**

The statistics in this publication cover a wide range of information, ranging from the contributions of different tax types to the demographics of RRA staff. We intend to update and add more statistics to future editions of the Tax Statistics in Rwanda publication.

I am also very proud to see the efforts that the RRA has been putting into improving service delivery and tax compliance reflected in this publication. From the growing number of registered taxpayers to the increasing contribution of tax in the national budget, it is very pleasing to see that the RRA and Rwandan taxpayers are working together in our journey towards self-reliance.

In the same manner, this Tax Statistics in Rwanda publication

is further evidence of RRA's 'Here For You To Serve' campaign, as it displays RRA's openness both in terms of service delivery and our impact. If there are any questions about these statistics, or additional statistics desired in future publications, please contact us using the links on www.rra.gov.rw.

Finally, I would like to thank all the staff who have contributed to this publication, and thank all the taxpayers who have contributed to the tax collections reported within this publication.

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Commissioner General

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#### **About this Publication**

The RRA is pleased to release the first version of Tax Statistics in Rwanda, which covers data on tax administration for the period of Fiscal Year 2009/10 to Fiscal Year 2015/16. Since Rwanda joined the East African Community in July 2009, our fiscal year starts in July and ends in June of the following year.

The objective of the RRA in publishing tax statistics for seven years is to enable readers to appreciate the evolution of some key tax administration indicators over time. In this publication, the RRA presents some key statistics in graphical formats such as column charts, line graphs and pie charts to easily discern the emerging trends.

However, we do appreciate that some users, particularly university students and researchers, require numerical data for statistical analysis, modelling, trend analysis, etc., especially in the context of their thesis. Accordingly, we have ensured that, in most instances where statistics are presented graphically, numerical data is also available alongside the graph.

During the preparation of this publication, we have also attempted to present tax data in a manner that can complement and contextualise economic and demographic data provided in publications. It is also our understanding that very often tax statistics give valuable insights about socio-economic trends in a country.

This publication is set out as follows:

#### **Chapter 1: Revenue Statistics provides the:**

- · tax and non-tax revenue collections
- tax revenue as a proportion of the national economy (tax to GDP ratios) and of the national budget (tax to budget ratios)
- average contribution of every Rwandan to the total tax collection (tax per capita)
- RRA cost of collection (showing the efficiency of the Rwandan tax administration)
- tax revenue by tax type, enterprise size, sector, enterprise type and collecting departments

#### **Chapter 2: Registration Statistics provides the:**

- number of taxpayers by tax type, location and enterprise size
- number of motor vehicle registration by vehicle type
- number of EBM vs. non-EBM taxpayers
- number of new EBM taxpayers by province
- total number of EBM taxpayers by province

#### **Chapter 3: HR Statistics** provides statistics about the composition of RRA staff, namely the:

number of employees by age, gender and department

A full electronic version of this publication can be downloaded from the RRA website http://www.rra.gov.rw. We would welcome comments and suggestions that may help us to improve this publication. Please e-mail us at planning@rra.gov.rw.

#### **Acronyms**

**CIT:** Corporate Income Tax

**DWH&BI:** Data Warehouse and Business Intelligence

**DTD:** RRA Domestic Tax Department

**EBM:** Electronic Billing Machines

**FY:** Fiscal Year

**GDP:** Gross Domestic Product

**HR:** Human Resources

**IMF**: International Monetary Fund

IT: Information Technology

**MINECOFIN:** Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning

**NISR:** National Institute of Statistics of Rwanda

**PAYE:** Pay As You Earn

**PIT:** Personal Income Tax

**RRA:** Rwanda Revenue Authority

**SME:** Small and Medium Enterprise

**TIN:** Tax Identification Number

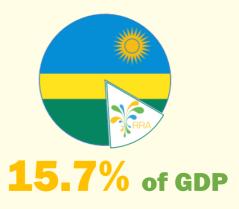
**VAT:** Value Added Tax WHT: Withholding Tax

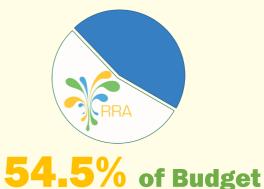
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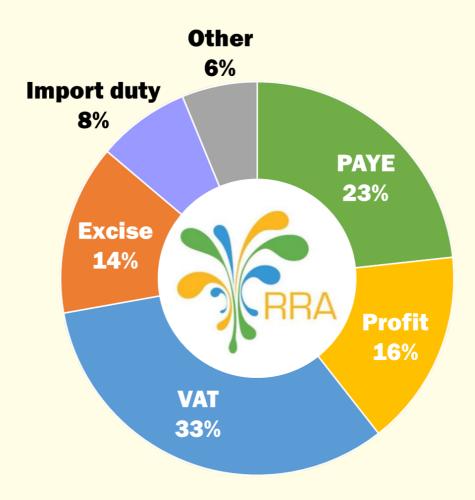




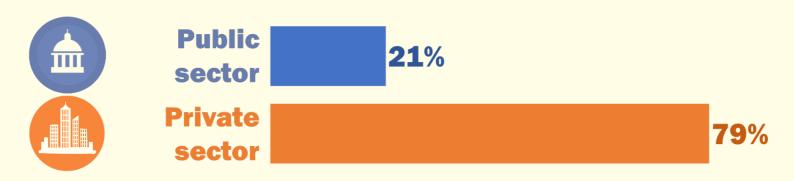


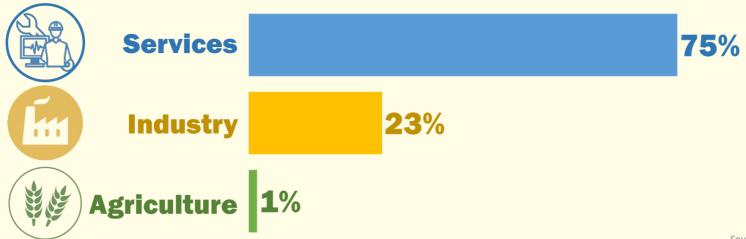
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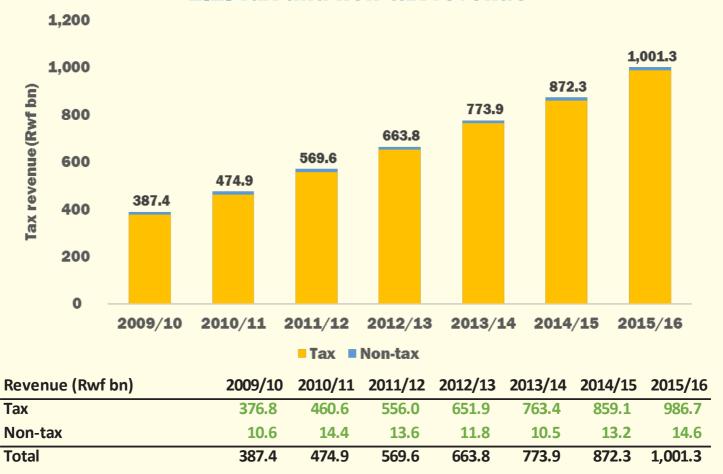


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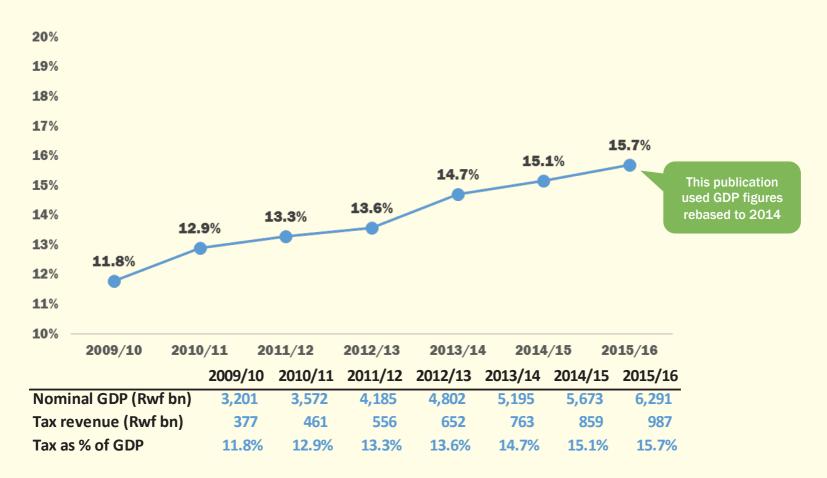


#### 1.2. Tax and non-tax revenue



'Non-tax' revenue in this publication refers to only those collected by RRA.

#### 1.3. Tax to GDP ratio



Source: RRA, NISR

#### 1.4. Tax to Budget ratio



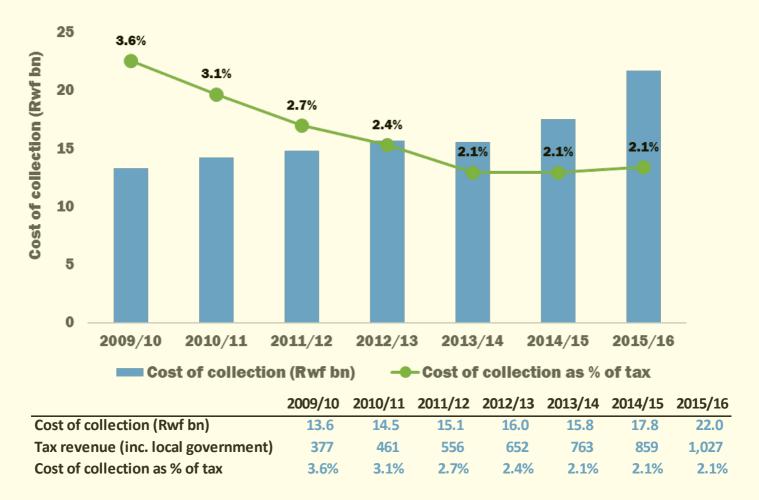
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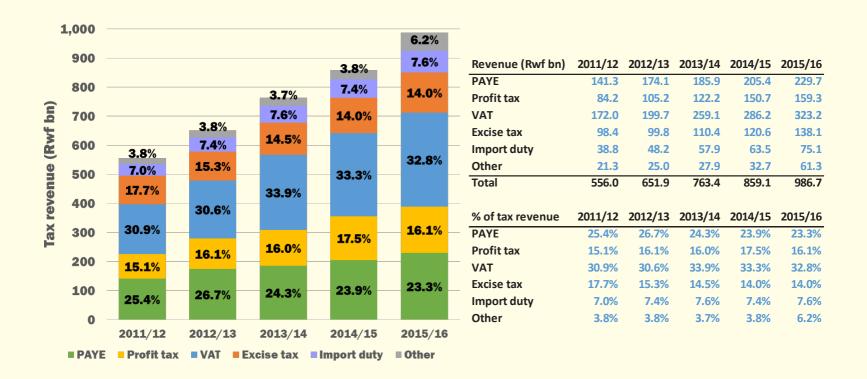


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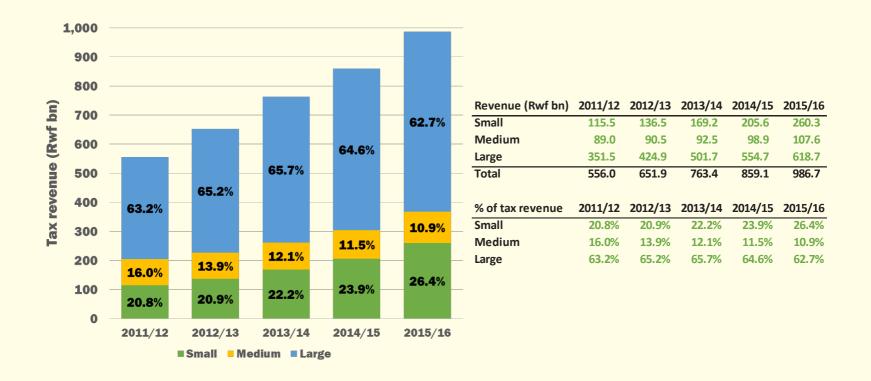


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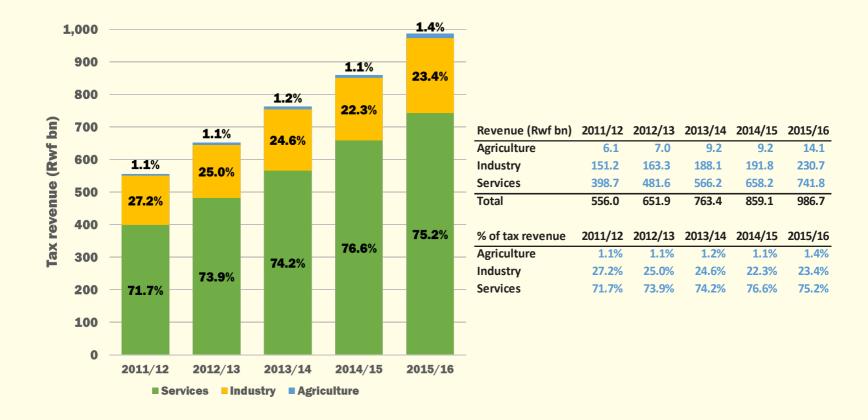


'Other' includes the infrastructure development levy, strategic reserves levy, road fund and mining royalties.

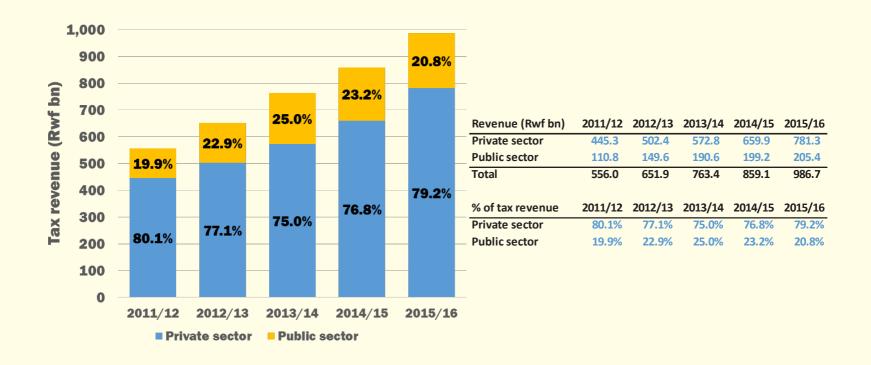
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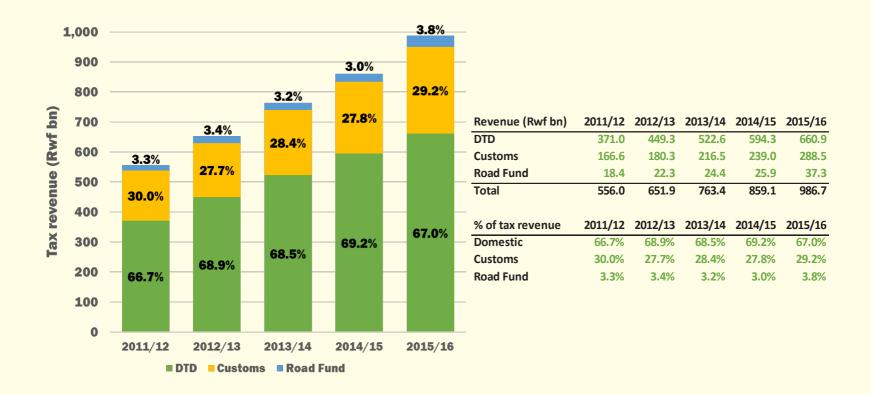
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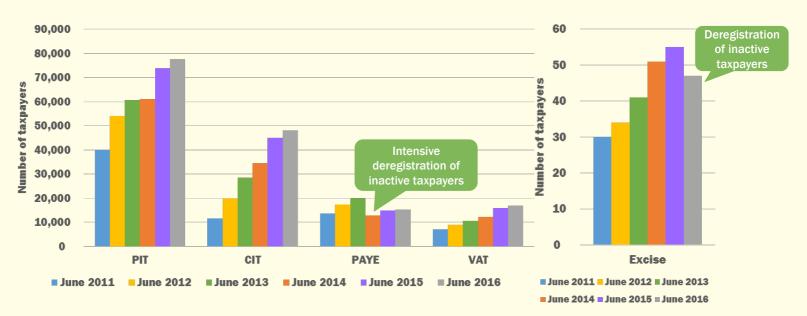
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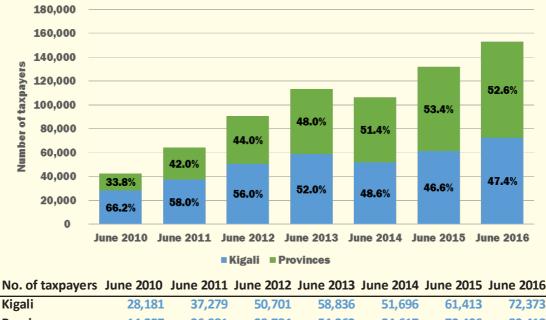
#### 2.1. Number of taxpayers by tax type



No. of taxpayers	June 2011	June 2012	June 2013	June 2014	June 2015	June 2016
PIT	40,101	54,087	60,679	61,077	73,952	77,607
CIT	11,716	19,850	28,539	34,540	45,037	48,086
PAYE	13,672	17,478	19,992	12,886	14,858	15,331
VAT	7,000	8,885	10,680	12,267	16,047	16,898
Excise	30	34	41	51	55	47

NB: these figures represent only taxpayers for which tax accounts are not closed.

#### 2.2. Number of taxpayers by location

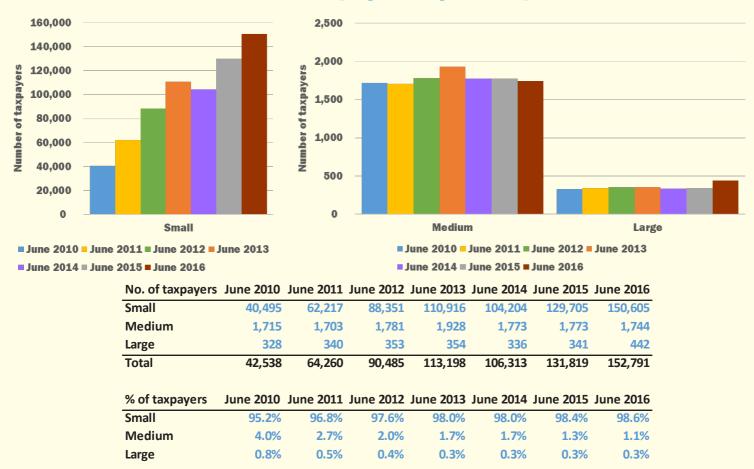


No. or taxpayers	Julie 2010	Julie 2011	Julie 2012	Julie 2013	Julie 2014	Julie 2015	Julie 2010
Kigali	28,181	37,279	50,701	58,836	51,696	61,413	72,373
Provinces	14,357	26,981	39,784	54,362	54,617	70,406	80,418
Total	42,538	64,260	90,485	113,198	106,313	131,819	152,791

% of taxpayers	June 2010	June 2011	June 2012	June 2013	June 2014	June 2015	June 2016
Kigali	66.2%	58.0%	56.0%	52.0%	48.6%	46.6%	47.4%
Provinces	33.8%	42.0%	44.0%	48.0%	51.4%	53.4%	<b>52.6%</b>

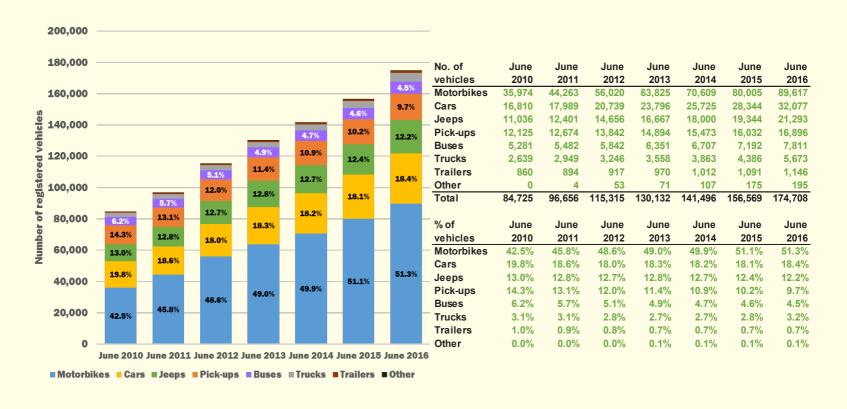
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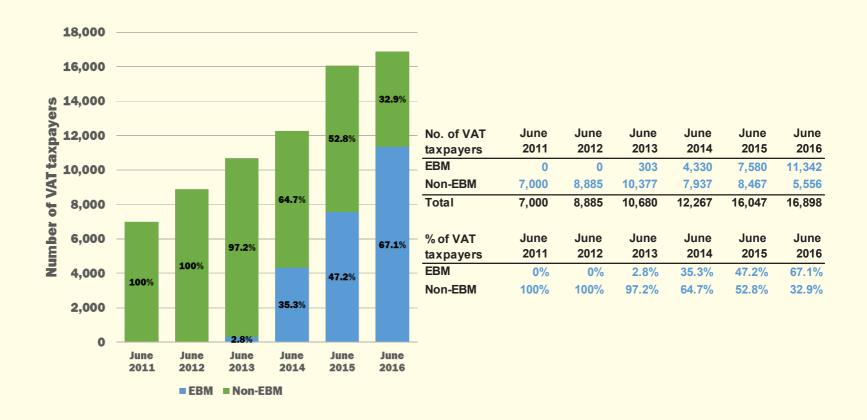
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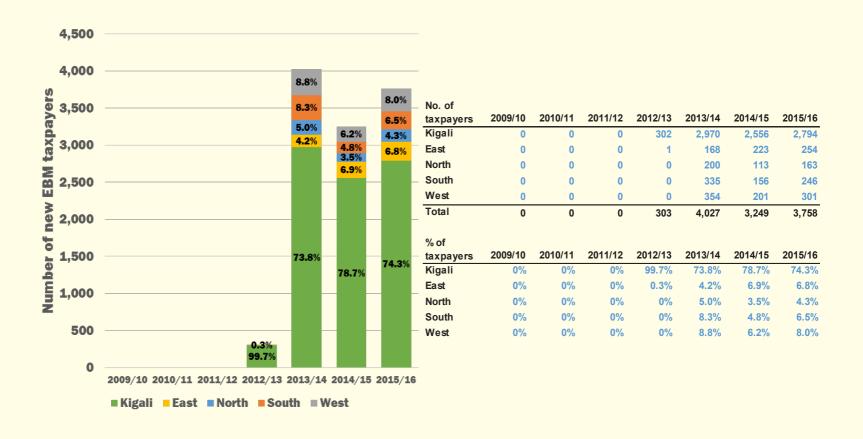
NB: these figures include all registered vehicles whose number plate has not been deregistered.

#### 2.5. VAT taxpayers: EBM vs. non-EBM



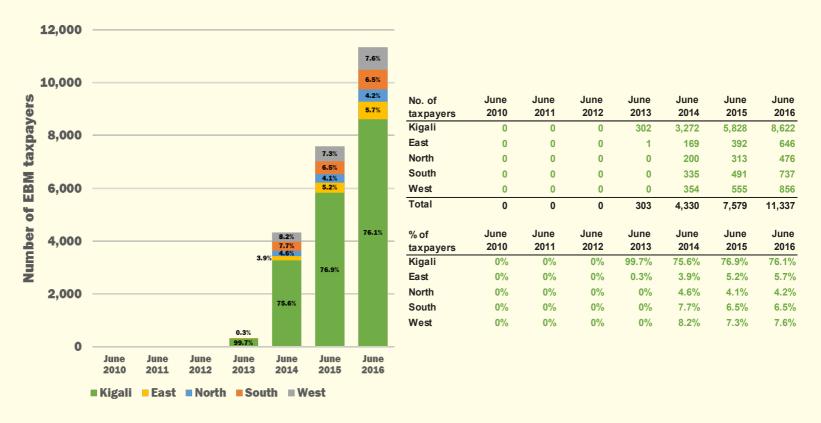
Source: RRA Domestic Tax Departmental Report; RRA Business Intelligence / Data Warehouse

#### 2.6. New EBM taxpayers by province



Source: RRA Business Intelligence / Data Warehouse

#### 2.7. Total EBM taxpayers by province



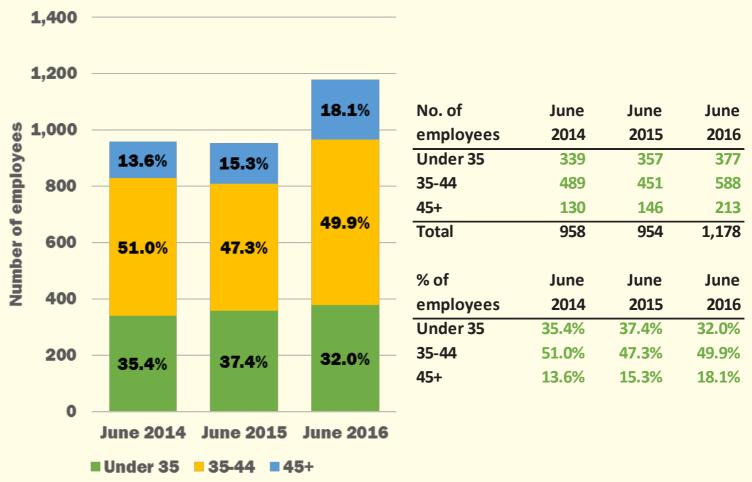
NB: totals may not match total EBM taxpayers because of some instances of missing data on provinces.

Source: RRA Business Intelligence / Data Warehouse

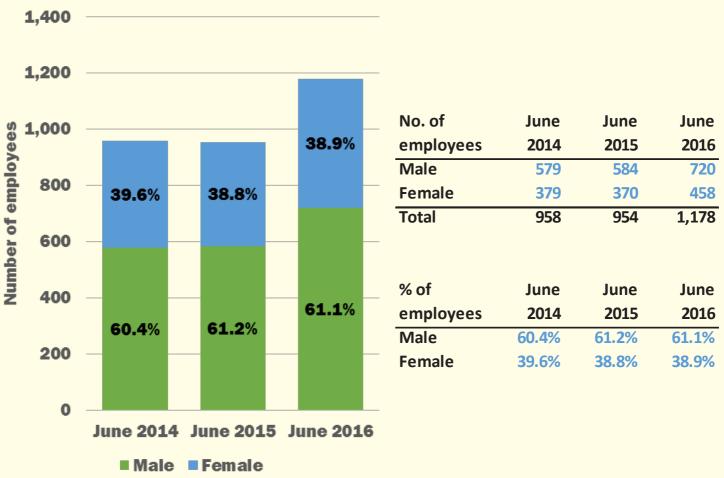
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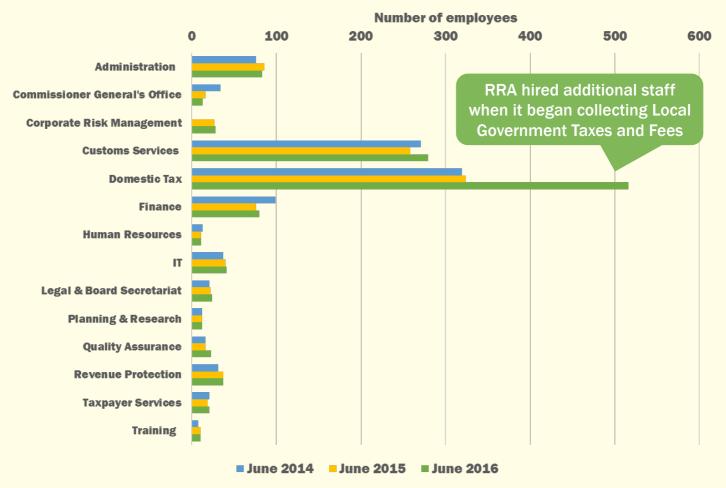
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#### **Employees by department**

No. of employees	June	June	June
No. of employees	2014	2015	2016
Administration	<b>7</b> 6	86	83
Commissioner General's Office	34	16	13
Corporate Risk Management	0	27	28
Customs Services	271	258	<b>279</b>
Domestic Tax	319	324	516
of which: Small and Medium Taxpayers' Office	227	140	148
of which: Large Taxpayers' Office	66	60	64
of which: Regions and Decentralised Taxes	0	110	290
Finance	99	<b>76</b>	80
Human Resources	13	11	11
IT	37	40	41
Legal & Board Secretariat	21	22	24
Planning & Research	12	12	12
Quality Assurance	16	16	23
Revenue Protection	31	<b>37</b>	37
Taxpayer Services	21	19	21
Training	8	10	10
Total	958	954	1,178



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