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Written Question 79/2017

Hon. Prem Singh to ask the Minister for Local Government, Housing, Environment, Infrastructure and Transport – **Can the Minister table the statistics of PSV permits granted by the Land Transport Authority over the last 4 years.**

Madam speaker, I thank the Honorable Member for the question. PSV permits granted in the last 4 years from 2013-2016 are as follows:

Year	2013	2014	2015	2016
Total	328	421	452	712

A total of 1913 new PSV permits were issued in that period.

The breakdown by permit type consolidated for the same period are summarized below:

Taxi	Rental	Hire	Minibus	Carrier	RSL	RCL	RRL
252	1201	145	12	4	293	3	3

This table provides a detailed breakdown by permit type issued annually between 2013-2016.

	2013	2014	2015	2016
Taxi	148	89	8	7
Rental	76	231	324	570
Hire	17	19	26	83
Minibus	8	4	0	0
Carrier	2	2	0	0

	2013	2014	2015	2016
RSL	74	73	94	52
RCL	3	0	0	0
RRL	0	3	0	0
TOTAL	328	421	452	712

In 2011, there was a temporary freeze on the issuance of all PSV Licenses in Fiji. However, there was an exception for applications from rural areas in Viti Levu and applications from Vanua Levu and other outer lying islands, which was dealt with on a case by case basis.

In 2014, LTA started processing and issuing Rental Permits and Hire Car Permits after government's approval to boost transport services and improve access for Fijians as well as tourists visiting our shores. The relaxation of rental permit standards made it possible for new entrants into the transport services industry to start their business venture.

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