

DIOCESE OF WIAKATO AND TARANAKI

STATISTICS FOR THE FIRST DIOCESAN CONVERSATION

INTRODUCTION

The first Diocesan Conversation is aimed at providing a full picture of the current state of the diocese. Part of this is providing statistics on the diocese. For the sake of the conversation, statistics over the last 30 years are provided in increments of 5 years. The first set is parish statistics that were gathered from the yearly schedules completed by parishes after their AGMs. Not all parishes submitted returns. The percentage after the year relates to the returns received back from parishes. Since 2010 the percentage of returns has decreased significantly. The figures have been extrapolated using this percentage to better compare the years.

The second set is financial statistics from the Standing Committee financial reports.

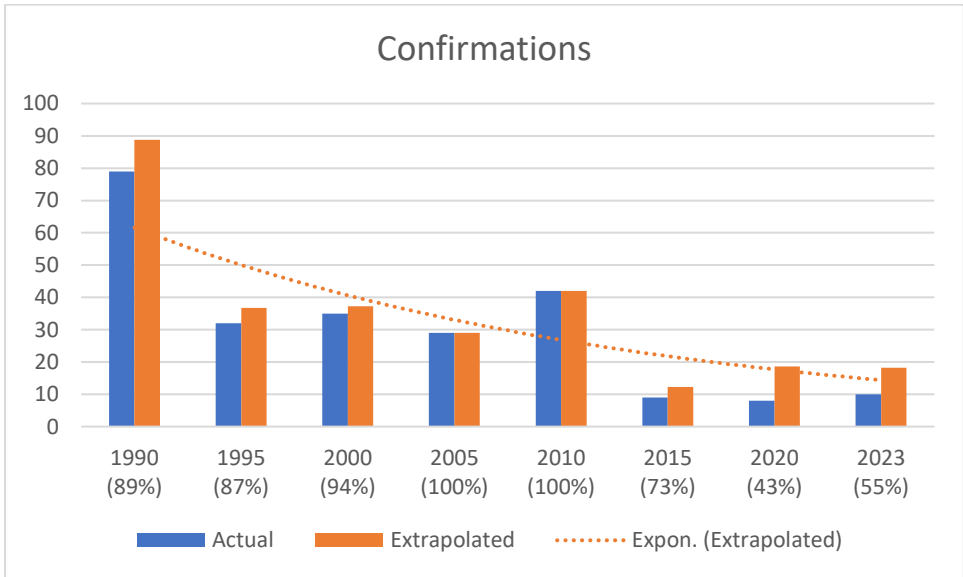
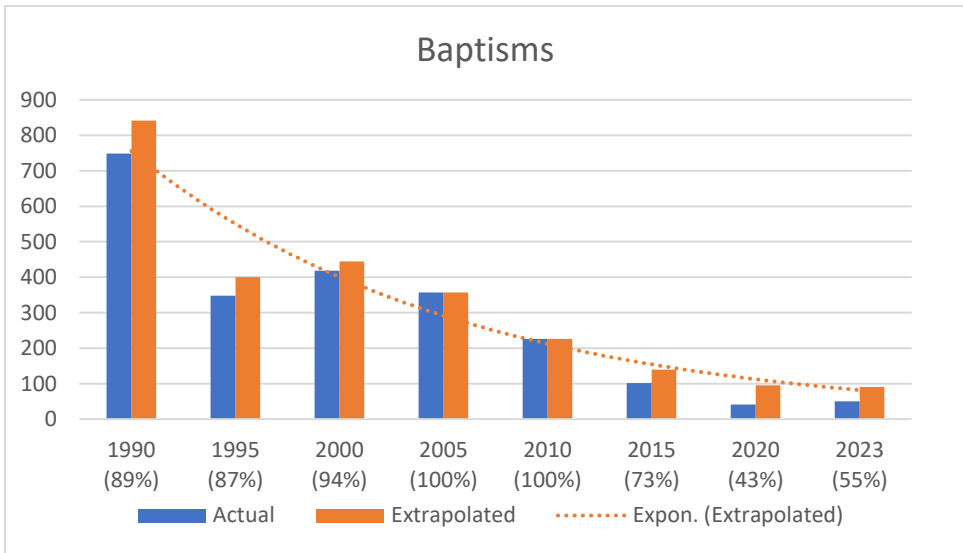
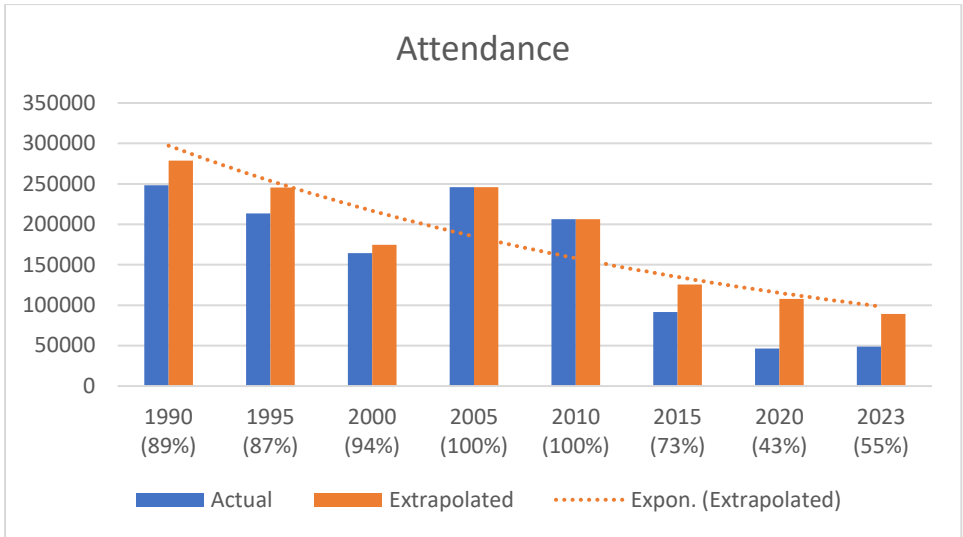
PARISH STATISTICS

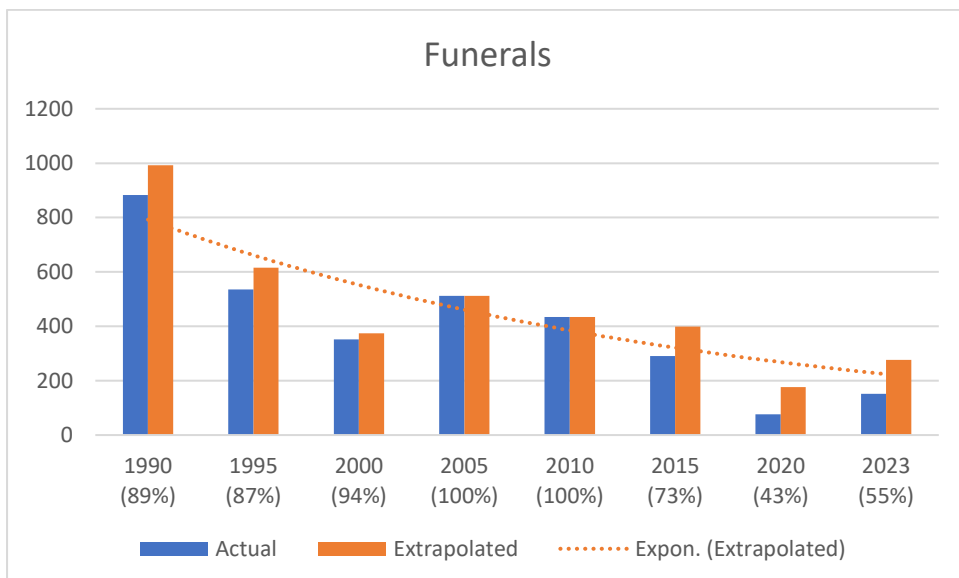
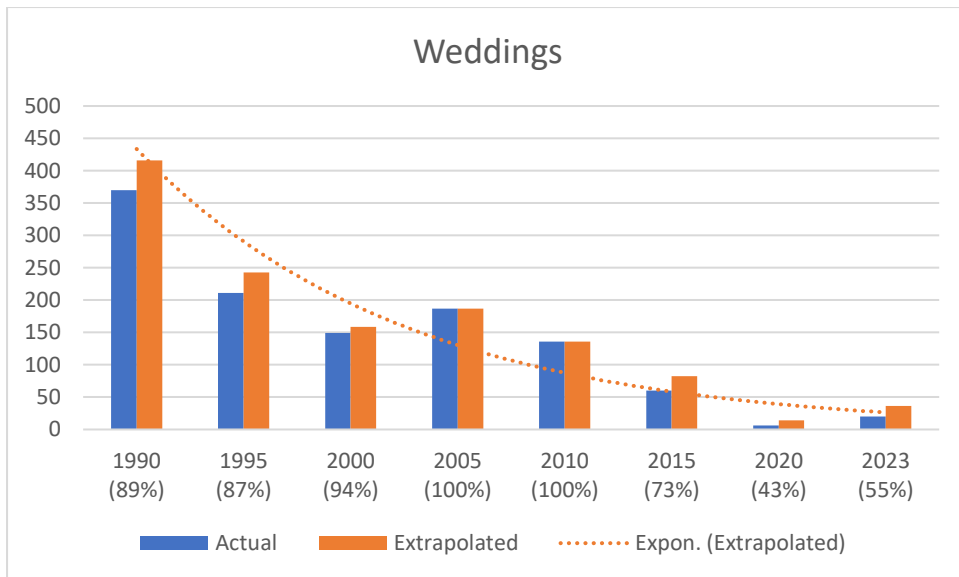
The following statistics from parish schedules are included below: Total attendance for the year; Baptism (including infant, school age and adult); Weddings and Funerals.

Year	Attendance		Baptisms		Confirmations	
	Actual	Extrapolated	Actual	Extrapolated	Actual	Extrapolated
1990 (89%)	248119	278785	749	842	79	89
1995 (87%)	213567	245479	348	400	32	37
2000 (94%)	164359	174850	418	445	35	37
2005 (100%)	245890	245890	357	357	29	29
2010 (100%)	206429	206429	226	226	42	42
2015 (73%)	91688	125600	102	140	9	12
2020 (43%)	46426	107967	41	95	8	19
2023 (55%)	48947	88995	50	91	10	18

Year	Weddings		Funerals	
	Actual	Extrapolated	Actual	Extrapolated
1990 (89%)	370	416	883	992
1995 (87%)	211	243	536	616
2000 (94%)	149	159	352	374
2005 (100%)	187	187	512	512
2010 (100%)	136	136	434	434
2015 (73%)	60	82	291	399
2020 (43%)	6	14	76	177
2023 (55%)	20	36	152	276

This is graphically expressed below. The orange line is an exponential trend line based on the extrapolated figures.





OBSERVATIONS

2020 was significantly impacted by Covid which makes it an outlier in the bigger picture and hard to include in a meaningful way.

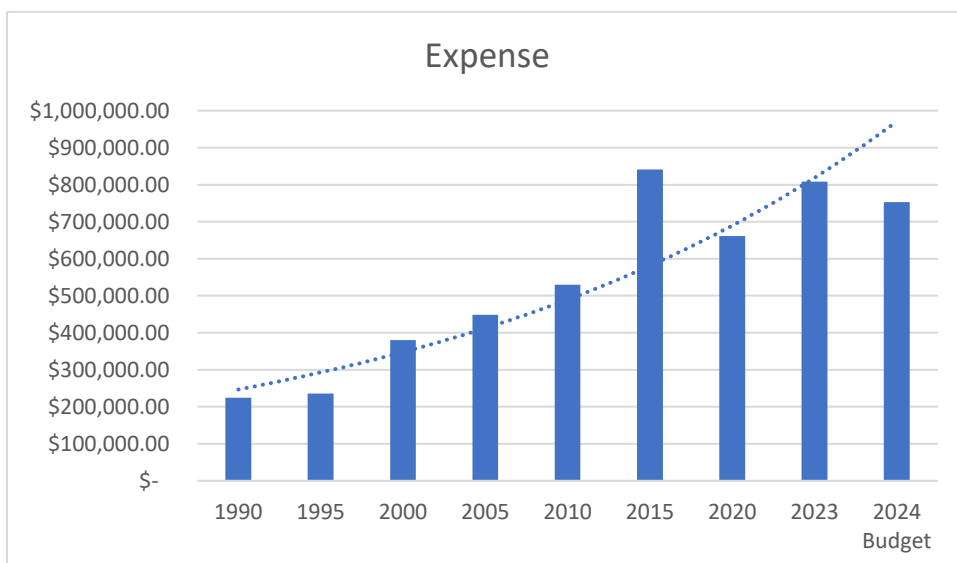
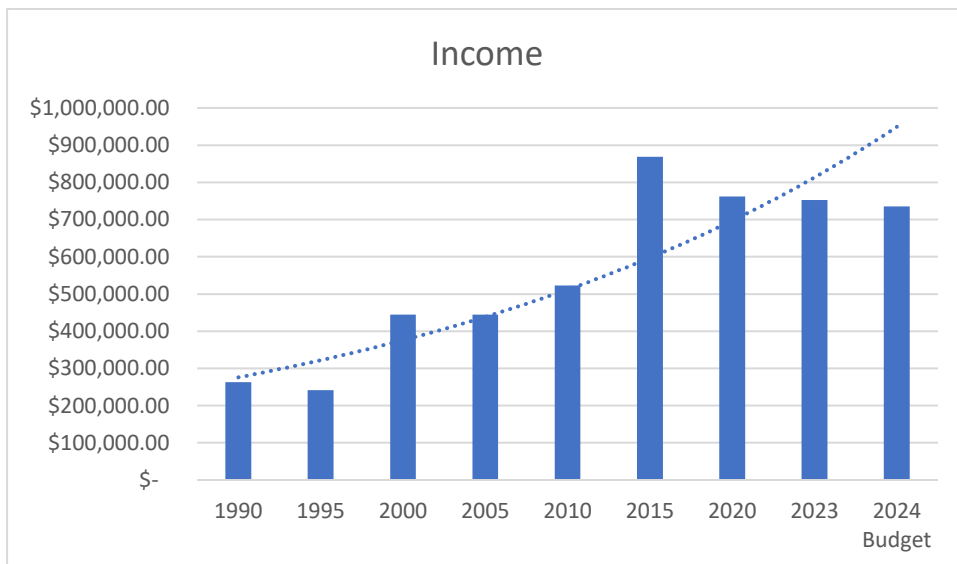
Apart from attendance, all the other statistics follow a similar pattern. There is a significant decline between 1990 and 1995. From 1995 to 2010 it remains relatively stable. Between 2010 and 2015 there is a significant reduction again. From 2015 to 2023 there are slight increases in most of the data.

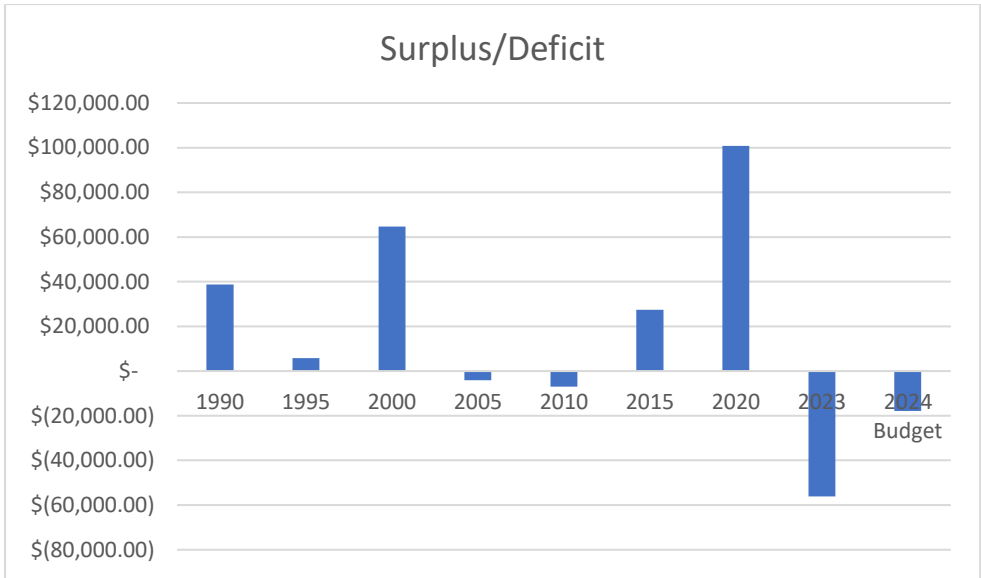
Attendance followed a different pattern. It was fairly stable until 2010 with a significant reduction between 2010 and 2015. Since 2015 it has remained stable.

FINANCIAL STATISTICS

The financial statistics come from the financial statements of Standing Committee. It mostly represents the administration cost of running the diocese. Below are figures and graphs representing the income, expense and surplus/deficit of each year. The budget for 2024 is included to help understand the current trend.

	Income	Expense	Surplus/Deficit
1990	\$ 263,197.00	\$ 224,451.00	\$ 38,746.00
1995	\$ 241,555.00	\$ 235,737.00	\$ 5,818.00
2000	\$ 444,554.00	\$ 379,807.00	\$ 64,747.00
2005	\$ 444,233.00	\$ 448,357.00	-\$ 4,124.00
2010	\$ 523,074.00	\$ 530,054.00	-\$ 6,980.00
2015	\$ 868,441.00	\$ 841,063.00	\$ 27,378.00
2020	\$ 762,237.00	\$ 661,497.00	\$ 100,740.00
2023	\$ 752,299.00	\$ 808,405.00	-\$ 56,106.00
2024 Budget	\$ 735,519.00	\$ 753,372.00	-\$ 17,853.00





OBSERVATIONS

2020 is an outlier year due to Covid. A lot of expenses weren't realised or were lower due to lockdowns (e.g. synod cost).