Leases in Vanuatu

**Important Facts**

- **13,815** leases registered in Vanuatu
- **11,141** km² of land under lease
- **9.3%** of Vanuatu’s land area under lease

**Leases by Lease Class**

- **73%** rural
- **27%** urban

**Lease Activity Timeline**

- Lease activity increased rapidly after the Alienated Land Act came into effect in 1983.
- The 1995-97 spike reflects a shift in government.

**Leases on Efate’s Coastline**

- 56.5% of the total coastline is leased, or about 121.5km².

**Subdivisions**

- 5,420 or 32.9% of leases are subdivided plots.
- 3,993 are in Aore, 1,622 in Efate, 1,141 in Santo, and 243 in Santo.

**Ministerial Leases Over Disputed Land**

- 21.3% of all leases are ministerial leases over disputed land.

**Data Quality Issues**

- 59% of all registered leases have complete data.

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