



## Quarterly Report to the VATSIM Executive Committee October 27, 2012

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### **VATUSA:**

All major ARTCC staff vacancies have been filled, including ATM positions for ZSE, ZAU, ZLC, and ZLA. There are many larger ARTCCs looking to greatly enhance their Mentor/Instructor staff. Many currently have openings for instructional staff.

VATUSA continues to host some of the network's largest events. FNOs continue to draw large amounts of traffic. Of notable interest are a lot of upcoming events featuring some of the smaller airports, lesser-traveled airports. Cross the Pond was successful once again.

New Sign-ups to VATUSA are up by 3 members this quarter over the last. ATC staffing remains consistent. Promotions are consistent with previous quarters, however of important note, is that promotions to C1 have increased immensely. ATC sign-ups have also increased, despite the lack of new members. The number of instructors in the Division has decreased considerably as well.

### **VATCAN:**

Participation in VATCAN's ATO program continues to be huge, with many pilot ratings being given.

VATCAN is looking forward to implementing new pilot ratings.

ATC Sign-ups have decreased over last quarter. Stay tuned for new events!

A new VATCAN Division Director has been selected. The announcement will occur later this week.

### **VATMEX:**

We are still looking at increasing traffic levels and ATC staffing within VATMEX. The VATSIM Hit Squad is a viable option.

VATMEX reports no staff vacancies and no pending or outstanding issues.

New ATC sign-ups have decreased over last quarter.

## VATCAR:

VATCAR staffing levels have also been quite good in the previous quarter. They have seen a lot of increased staffing in places that were previously lacking consistent staffing.

New sign-ups have decreased slightly over last quarter.

There are still several major staff vacancies within VATCAR. Four of the nine Division positions remain open, and 1 ARTCC ATM position.

VATCAR's Iron Mic competition continues to draw staffing and traffic, with many more larger events scheduled.

## Statistical Membership Data

### *VATUSA*

New sign-ups this quarter: 1,565

### **Total Membership**

**Pilot/OBS:** 14,542

**S1:** 649

**S2:** 735

**S3:** 414

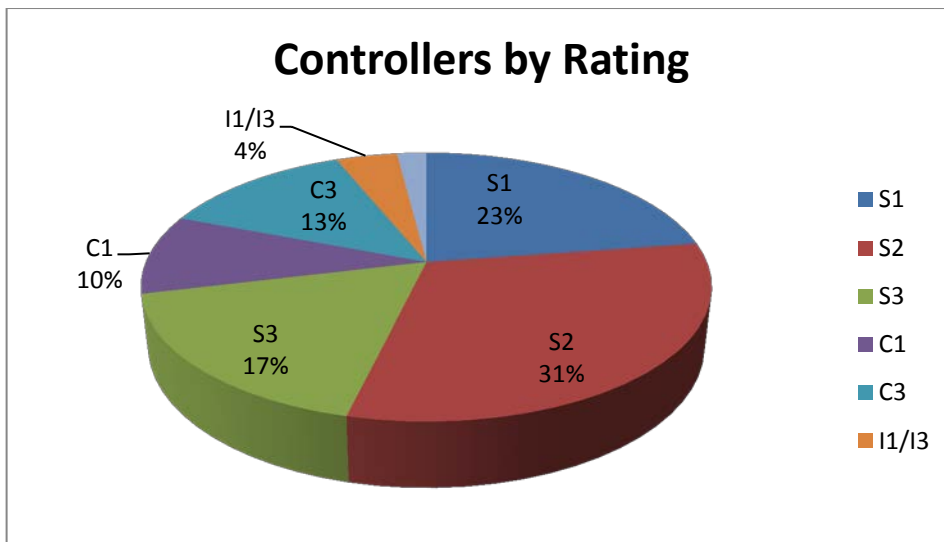
**C1:** 300

**C3:** 313

**I1/I3:** 92

**Other:** 51

**Total Controller Force: 2,554**



## VATCAN

New sign-ups this quarter: 188

### Total Membership

**Pilot/OBS:** 2,122

**S1:** 97

**S2:** 51

**S3:** 55

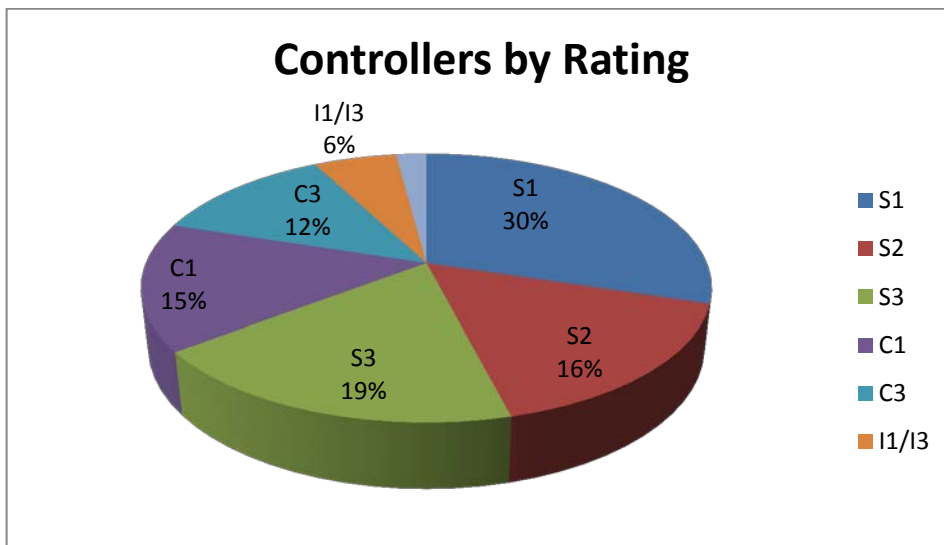
**C1:** 52

**C3:** 36

**I1/I3:** 19

**Other:** 7

**Total controller force:** 317



## VATMEX

New sign-ups this quarter: 40

### Total Membership

**Pilot/OBS:** 503

**S1:** 7

**S2:** 13

**S3:** 23

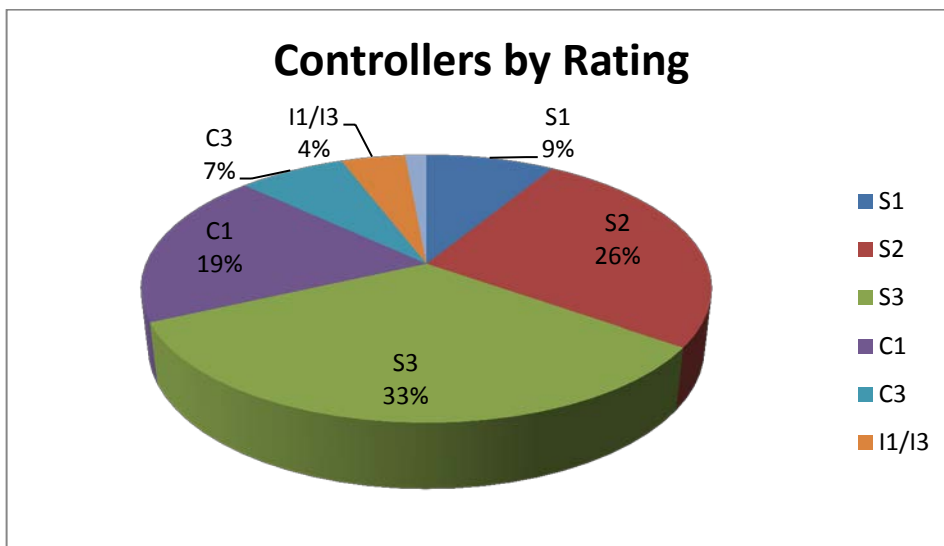
**C1:** 10

**C3:** 9

**I1/I3:** 4

**Other:** 0

**Total Controller Force:** 75



## VATCAR

New sign-ups this quarter: 96

## Total Membership

**Pilot/OBS:** 829

**S1:** 40

**S2:** 32

**S3:** 24

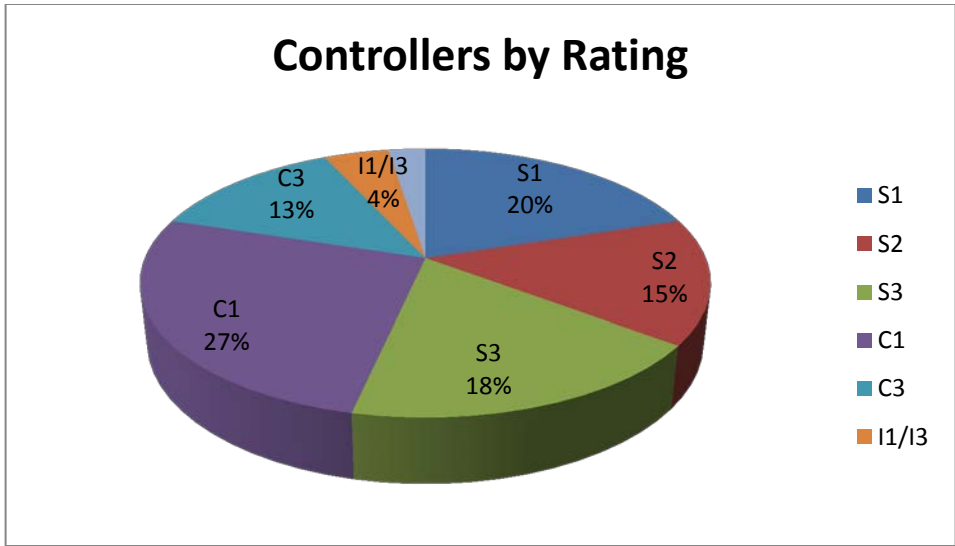
**C1:** 47

**C3:** 18

**I1/I3:** 6

**Other:** 4

**Total Controller Force:** 171



**Training**

All divisions have seen a very slight increase in overall sign-ups during Q3 2012. Controller sign-ups have increased across every Division. Controller promotions are steady across the board, with a slight increase in promotions to higher levels; S3 and C1. S2 has also seen a reasonable increase. All Divisions have met or exceeded established VATNA training goals and continue to perform at an acceptable level in regards to controller training, however VATNA is looking at revising certain criteria, and creating Region-wide promotion guidelines, in cooperation with other Regions.

We have welcomed new GRP resolution concerning the S1/S2 ratings. VATNA is hoping that Divisions embrace the new concept. So far it has been viewed favorably. Testing is currently underway for the S3 rating and C1 rating.

**Concerns**

VATNA continues to monitor the issuance of ratings, and has been so far satisfied with the results.

VATNA and the Executive Committee have joined discussion with the Board of Governors regarding many issues on the network, particularly many related to controller training. We are hoping to work together with the BOG to produce several improvements over the existing systems and methods. Talks are still in process and should be resolved soon.

**Airspace and Procedures**

No updates in Airspace and Procedures have taken place within VATNA this quarter.

## **Other**

VATNA is pleased to announce that 582 of its members have received pilot ratings. This is up from 546 last quarter. VATNA and VATEUR combined hold over 95% of all pilot ratings issued on the network, with VATNA itself accounting for 50% of the total ratings. Nice job!