

# IMMIGRATION DETENTION STATISTICS SUMMARY

Community and Detention Services Division, DIAC - As at 30 September 2010

As at 30 September 2010, there were 4991 people in immigration detention, including 2507 in immigration detention on the mainland and 2484 in immigration detention on Christmas Island.

Of the 2507 people in immigration detention on the mainland, 476 were children (aged under 18 years) - 12 were detained in the community under residence determinations, 353 were in alternative temporary detention in the community, 49 were in immigration residential housing and 62 were in immigration transit accommodation.

Of the 2484 people in immigration detention on Christmas Island, 201 were children (aged under 18 years) - in alternative temporary detention in the community.

Figure 1

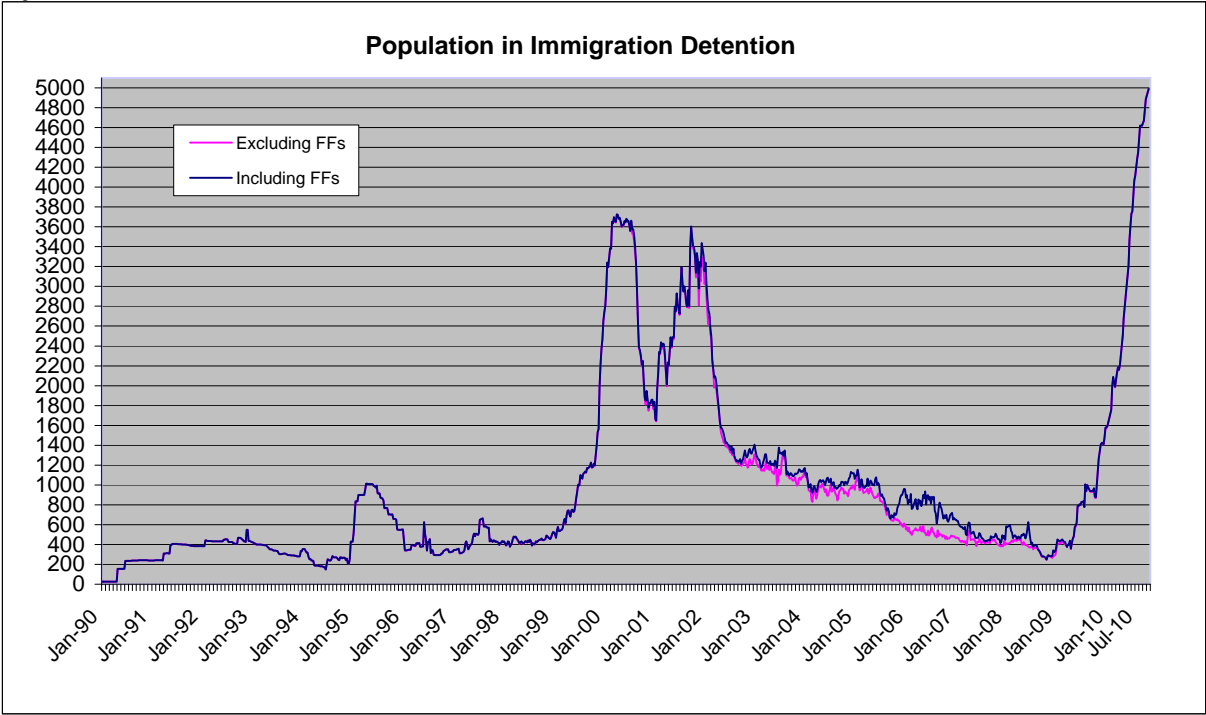
Place of immigration detention <sup>1</sup>	Men	Women	Children	Total	Change from 10/09/10
Villawood IDC	287	22		309	+ 7
Northern IDC (Darwin)	367			367	- 91
Maribyrnong IDC	78	18		96	+ 30
Perth IDC	42	1		43	- 1
Christmas Island IDC	1925			1925	+ 32
Curtin IDC	752			752	+ 71
<b>Total in IDCs</b>	<b>3451</b>	<b>41</b>		<b>3492</b>	<b>+ 48</b>
Sydney Immigration Residential Housing	15	8	16	39	+ 9
Perth Immigration Residential Housing	4	4	8	16	+ 1
Port Augusta Immigration Residential Housing	18	18	25	61	+ 4
Brisbane Immigration Transit Accommodation	13	13	18	44	- 8
Melbourne Immigration Transit Accommodation	1		44	45	+ 2
<b>Total in Immigration Residential Housing and Immigration Transit Accommodation</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>+ 8</b>
Community Detention <sup>2</sup> (Mainland)	12	3	12	27	+ 2
Community Detention (Christmas Island)				0	0
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community <sup>3</sup> (Mainland)	191	164	353	708	+ 63
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community (Christmas Island)	290	68	201	559	- 18
Restricted on Board Vessels in Port				0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>3995</b>	<b>319</b>	<b>677</b>	<b>4991</b>	<b>+ 103</b>

<sup>1</sup> Immigration detention as set out under s 189 or s 249 of the *Migration Act 1958*.

<sup>2</sup> Community Detention does not require the person to be accompanied by a designated person.

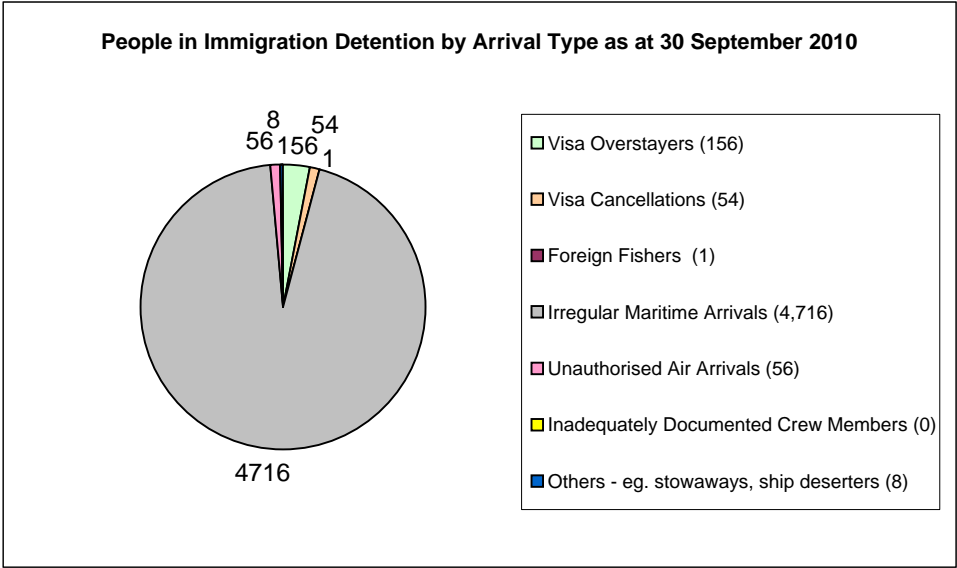
<sup>3</sup> Includes detention in the community in private houses / correctional facilities / watch houses / hotels / apartments / foster care / hospitals with a person designated under the Act.

Figure 2



The following pie chart shows that as at 30 September 2010 there were 210 people (about 4 per cent of the total immigration population) who had arrived in Australia lawfully and were then taken into immigration detention for either overstaying their visa or breaching their visa conditions, resulting in visa cancellation. The number of people in immigration detention who had arrived unlawfully by air or boat as at 30 September 2010 was 4772, representing about 96 per cent of the total immigration detention population.

Figure 3



The following pie chart shows that as at 30 September 2010 there were 2614 people who had not applied for a protection visa while in immigration detention and were not undergoing a non-statutory refugee status assessment (RSA). There were 46 people who, having applied for a protection visa after having been taken into immigration detention, were awaiting a decision from the Department on their protection visa application. A further 51 were seeking a merits-based or judicial review of a negative decision on their initial application for a protection visa or on an application remitted for decision by the RRT or the courts. There were 31 people who had their protection visa application refused and 2249 undergoing RSA processing.

Figure 4

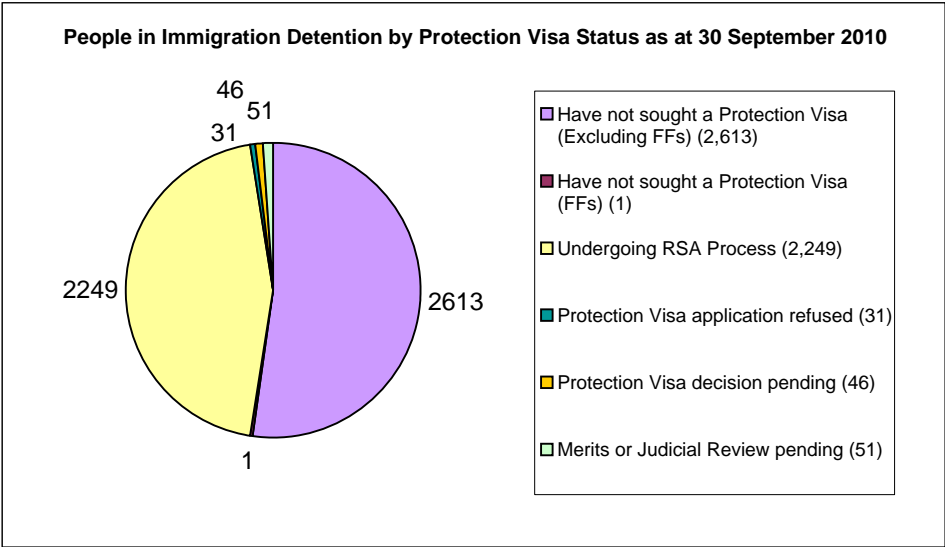


Figure 5

Location of people in immigration detention as at 30 September 2010	
	No. of People as at Midnight Census
Immigration Detention Centres (excluding FF)	
Immigration Detention Centres (excluding Christmas Island)	1567
Christmas Island IDC	1925
Total in Immigration Detention Centres (excluding FFs)	3492
Alternative Detention (excluding FF)	
Immigration Residential Housing	116
Immigration Transit Accommodation	89
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community	1266
Restricted on Board Vessels in Ports	0
Total in Alternative Temporary Detention Arrangements	1471
Community Detention	
Community Detention (excluding Christmas Island)	27
Community Detention, Christmas Island	0
Total in Community Detention Arrangements	27
Foreign Fishers (FF)	
Immigration Detention Centres	0
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community	1
Total FFs	1
TOTAL IN IMMIGRATION DETENTION	4991

Figure 6

People in immigration detention by nationality as at 30 September 2010					
Nationalities	Adult		Child (<18 years)		Total
	Male	Female	Male	Female	
Afghanistan	1823	27	315	21	2186
Sri Lanka	524	39	24	21	608
Iran	400	82	67	37	586
Iraq	277	33	31	19	360
Indonesia	202	3	32		237
China, Peoples Republic Of	69	21			90
Burma	66	1	3	1	71
Vietnam	35	5	3	2	45
Malaysia	24	6			30
Pakistan	29		1		30
Other	546	102	53	47	748
<b>Total</b>	<b>3995</b>	<b>319</b>	<b>529</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>4991</b>

Figure 7

Children in immigration detention as at 30 September 2010	
Type	Total
Immigration Residential Housing	49
Immigration Transit Accommodation	62
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community	554
Community Detention	12
<b>Total</b>	<b>677</b>

As at 30 September 2010, there were 677 children (aged under 18 years) in immigration detention. 12 were detained in the community under residence determinations, 554 were in alternative temporary detention in the community, 49 were in immigration residential housing and 62 were in immigration transit accommodation.

Figure 8

Length of time in detention as at 30 September 2010		
Period Detained	Total	% of Total
7 days or less	31	0.6%
1 week - 1 month	477	9.6%
1 month - 3 months	874	17.5%
3 months - 6 months	2177	43.6%
6 months - 12 months	1294	25.9%
12 months - 18 months	98	2.0%
18 months - 2 years	20	0.4%
Greater than 2 years	20	0.4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>4991</b>	<b>100%</b>

Of the 4991 people in immigration detention as at 30 September 2010, 1382 had been detained for less than three months.