

IMMIGRATION DETENTION STATISTICS SUMMARY

Community and Detention Services Division, DIAC - As at 4 February 2011

As at 4 February 2011, there were 6659 people in immigration detention, including 4086 in immigration detention on the mainland and 2573 in immigration detention on Christmas Island.

Of the 4086 people in immigration detention on the mainland, 726 were children (aged under 18 years) - 37 were detained in the community under residence determinations, 508 were in alternative temporary detention in the community, 36 were in immigration residential housing and 145 were in immigration transit accommodation.

Of the 2573 people in immigration detention on Christmas Island, 301 were children (aged under 18 years) - in alternative temporary detention in the community.

Figure 1

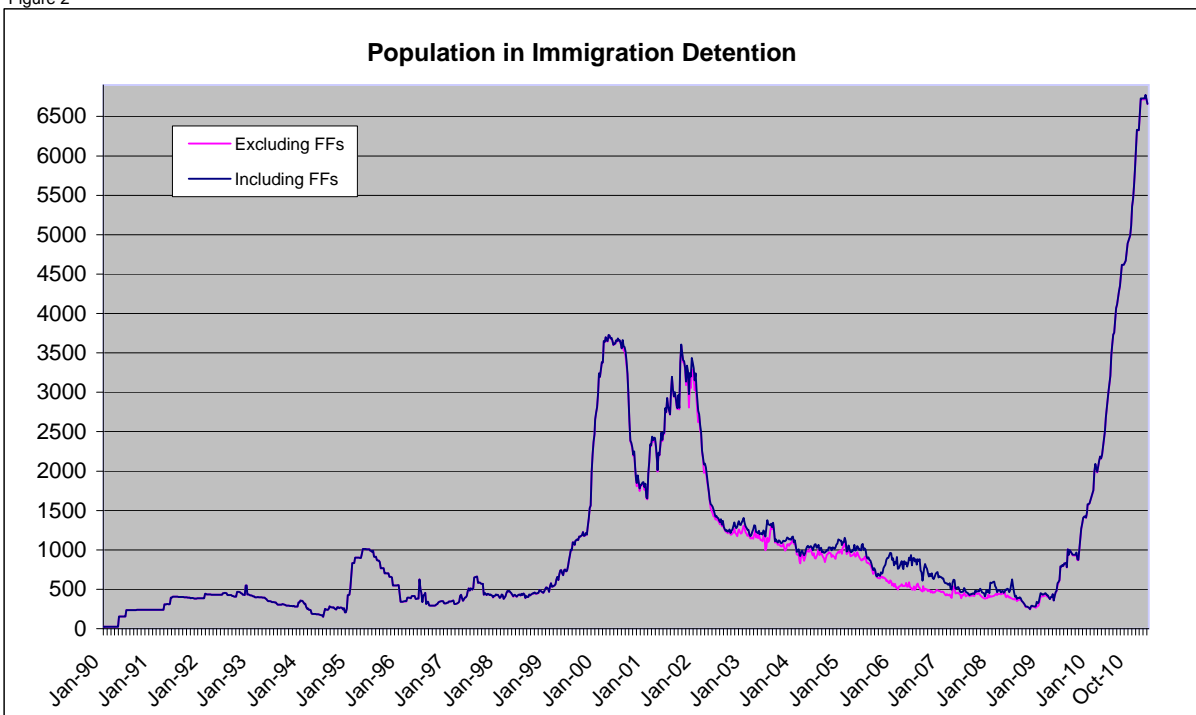
Place of immigration detention ¹	Men	Women	Children	Total	Change from 21/01/11
Villawood IDC	314	25		339	+ 22
Northern IDC (Darwin)	481			481	- 14
Maribyrnong IDC	68	5		73	- 13
Perth IDC	49			49	- 1
Christmas Island IDC	1829			1829	- 106
Curtin IDC	1153			1153	+ 13
Scherger IDC	295			295	- 13
Total in IDCs	4189	30		4219	- 112
Sydney Immigration Residential Housing	11	8	9	28	- 6
Perth Immigration Residential Housing	4	3	9	16	+ 3
Port Augusta Immigration Residential Housing	22	17	18	57	+ 8
Brisbane Immigration Transit Accommodation	16	15	20	51	+ 4
Melbourne Immigration Transit Accommodation	10		125	135	+ 7
Total in Immigration Residential Housing and Immigration Transit Accommodation	63	43	181	287	+ 16
Community Detention ² (Mainland)	20	11	37	68	+ 16
Community Detention (Christmas Island)				0	0
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community ³ (Mainland)	484	348	508	1340	+ 43
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community (Christmas Island)	304	139	301	744	- 80
Restricted on Board Vessels in Port	1			1	+ 1
Total	5061	571	1027	6659	- 116

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

² Community Detention does not require the person to be accompanied by a designated person.

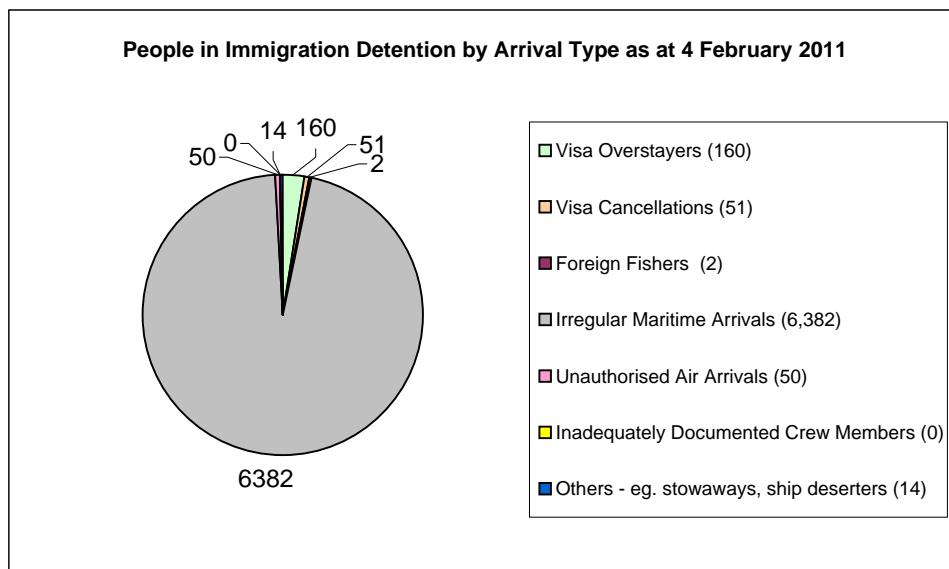
³ Includes detention in the community in private houses / correctional facilities / watch houses / hotels / apartments / foster care / hospitals with a person designated under the Act.

Figure 2



The following pie chart shows that as at 4 February 2011 there were 211 people (about 3 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 4 February 2011 was 6432, representing about 97 per cent of the total immigration detention population.

Figure 3



The following pie chart shows that as at 4 February 2011 there were 1012 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 57 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 33 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 47 people who had their protection visa application refused and 5510 undergoing RSA processing.

Figure 4

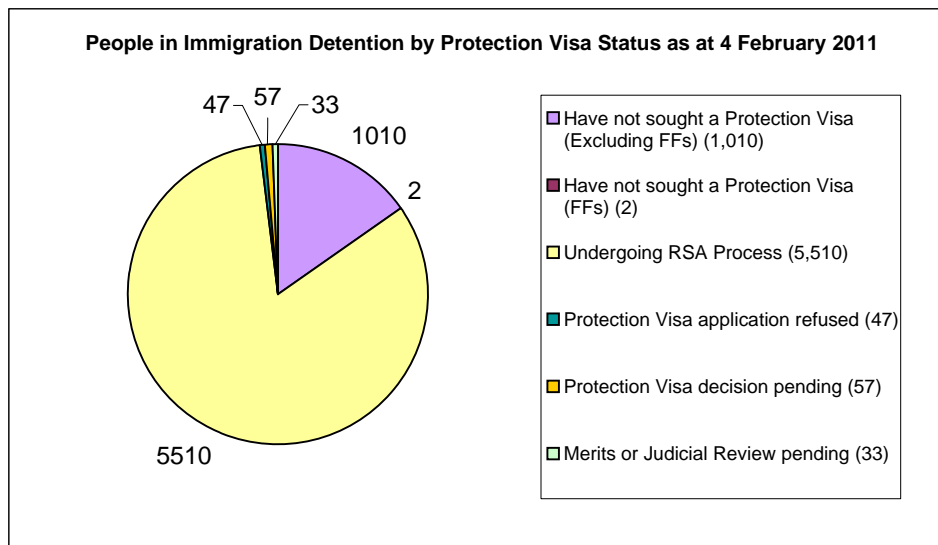


Figure 5

Location of people in immigration detention as at 4 February 2011	
	No. of People as at Midnight Census
Immigration Detention Centres (excluding FF)	
Immigration Detention Centres (excluding Christmas Island)	2390
Christmas Island IDC	1829
Total in Immigration Detention Centres (excluding FFs)	4219
Alternative Detention (excluding FF)	
Immigration Residential Housing	101
Immigration Transit Accommodation	186
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community	2082
Restricted on Board Vessels in Ports	1
Total in Alternative Temporary Detention Arrangements	2370
Community Detention	
Community Detention (excluding Christmas Island)	68
Community Detention, Christmas Island	0
Total in Community Detention Arrangements	68
Foreign Fishers (FF)	
Immigration Detention Centres	0
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community	2
Total FFs	2
TOTAL IN IMMIGRATION DETENTION	6659

Figure 6

People in immigration detention by nationality as at 4 February 2011					
Nationalities	Adult		Child (<18 years)		Total
	Male	Female	Male	Female	
Afghanistan	1986	37	335	22	2380
Iran	801	213	131	101	1246
Sri Lanka	564	70	37	39	710
Iraq	420	67	74	41	602
Indonesia	278	1	46		325
China, Peoples Republic Of	83	17		1	101
Burma	79	1	6	1	87
Pakistan	50		2		52
Vietnam	27	6	3	2	38
Kuwait	25	1	4		30
Other	748	158	104	78	1088
Total	5061	571	742	285	6659

Figure 7

Children in immigration detention as at 4 February 2011	
Type	Total
Immigration Residential Housing	36
Immigration Transit Accommodation	145
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community	809
Community Detention	37
Total	1027

As at 4 February 2011, there were 1027 children (aged under 18 years) in immigration detention. 37 were detained in the community under residence determinations, 809 were in alternative temporary detention in the community, 36 were in immigration residential housing and 145 were in immigration transit accommodation.

Figure 8

Length of time in detention as at 4 February 2011		
Period Detained	Total	% of Total
7 days or less	29	0.4%
1 week - 1 month	300	4.5%
1 month - 3 months	1095	16.4%
3 months - 6 months	1643	24.7%
6 months - 12 months	3111	46.7%
12 months - 18 months	422	6.3%
18 months - 2 years	34	0.5%
Greater than 2 years	25	0.4%
Total	6659	100%

Of the 6659 people in immigration detention as at 4 February 2011, 1424 had been detained for less than three months.