

IMMIGRATION DETENTION STATISTICS SUMMARY

Community and Detention Services Division, DIAC - As at 10 September 2010

As at 10 September 2010, there were 4888 people in immigration detention, including 2418 in immigration detention on the mainland and 2470 in immigration detention on Christmas Island.

Of the 2418 people in immigration detention on the mainland, 459 were children (aged under 18 years) - ten were detained in the community under residence determinations, 342 were in alternative temporary detention in the community, 45 were in immigration residential housing and 62 were in immigration transit accommodation.

Of the 2470 people in immigration detention on Christmas Island, 196 were children (aged under 18 years) - all in alternative temporary detention in the community.

Figure 1

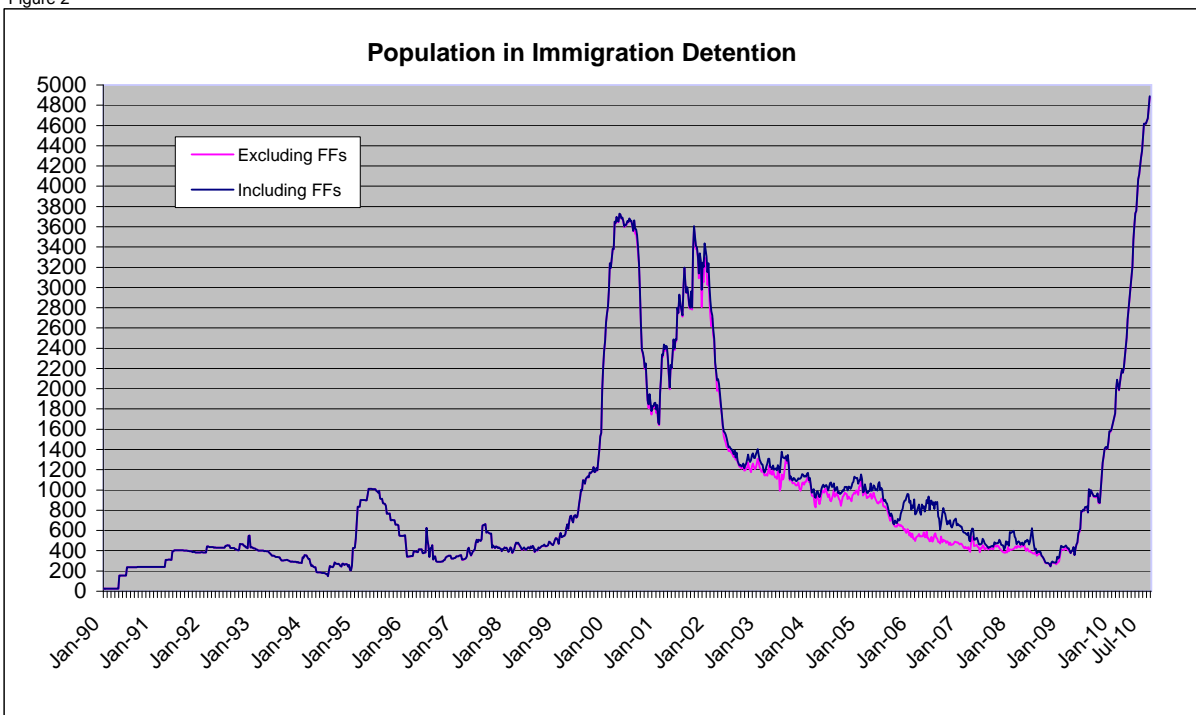
Place of immigration detention ¹	Men	Women	Children	Total	Change from 27/08/10
Villawood IDC	278	24		302	+ 10
Northern IDC (Darwin)	458			458	- 28
Maribyrnong IDC	58	8		66	+ 11
Perth IDC	43	1		44	- 13
Christmas Island IDC	1893			1893	+ 39
Curtin IDC	681			681	+ 81
Total in IDCs	3411	33		3444	+ 100
Sydney Immigration Residential Housing	13	7	10	30	+ 1
Perth Immigration Residential Housing	4	3	8	15	- 2
Port Augusta Immigration Residential Housing	16	14	27	57	+ 16
Brisbane Immigration Transit Accommodation	21	12	19	52	- 3
Melbourne Immigration Transit Accommodation			43	43	+ 3
Total in Immigration Residential Housing and Immigration Transit Accommodation	54	36	107	197	+ 15
Community Detention ² (Mainland)	12	3	10	25	0
Community Detention (Christmas Island)				0	0
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community ³ (Mainland)	162	141	342	645	+ 51
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community (Christmas Island)	301	80	196	577	+ 52
Restricted on Board Vessels in Port				0	0
Total	3940	293	655	4888	+ 218

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.

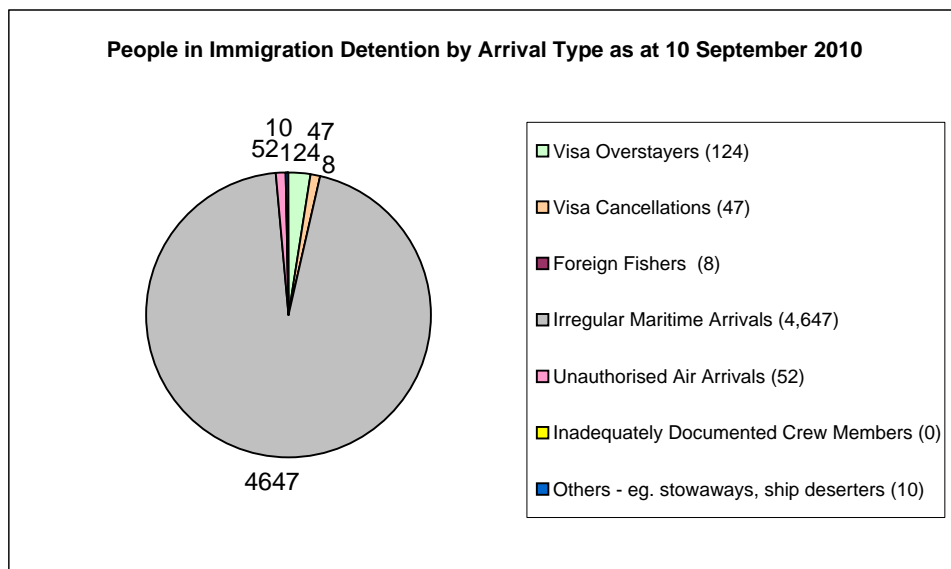
³ Includes detention in the community in private houses / correctional facilities / watch houses / hotels / apartments / foster care / hospitals with a person designated under the Act.

Figure 2



The following pie chart shows that as at 10 September 2010 there were 171 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 10 September 2010 was 4699, representing about 96 per cent of the total immigration detention population.

Figure 3



The following pie chart shows that as at 10 September 2010 there were 2494 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 43 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 45 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 33 people who had their protection visa application refused and 2273 undergoing RSA processing.

Figure 4

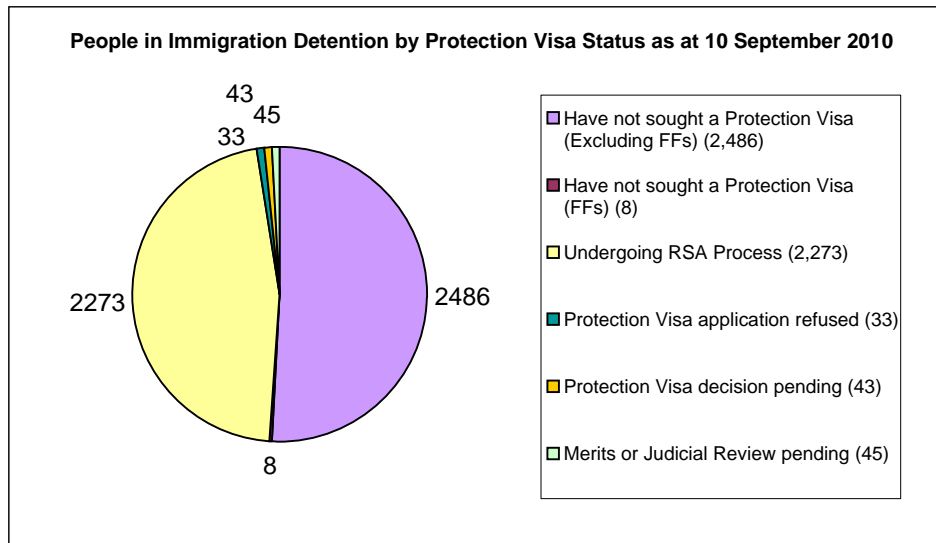


Figure 5

Location of people in immigration detention as at 10 September 2010	
	No. of People as at Midnight Census
Immigration Detention Centres (excluding FF)	
Immigration Detention Centres (excluding Christmas Island)	1545
Christmas Island IDC	1893
Total in Immigration Detention Centres (excluding FFs)	3438
Alternative Detention (excluding FF)	
Immigration Residential Housing	102
Immigration Transit Accommodation	95
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community	1220
Restricted on Board Vessels in Ports	0
Total in Alternative Temporary Detention Arrangements	1417
Community Detention	
Community Detention (excluding Christmas Island)	25
Community Detention, Christmas Island	0
Total in Community Detention Arrangements	25
Foreign Fishers (FF)	
Immigration Detention Centres	6
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community	2
Total FFs	8
TOTAL IN IMMIGRATION DETENTION	4888

Figure 6

People in immigration detention by nationality as at 10 September 2010					
Nationalities	Adult		Child (<18 years)		Total
	Male	Female	Male	Female	
Afghanistan	1867	30	330	26	2253
Sri Lanka	540	39	24	21	624
Iran	364	73	56	31	524
Iraq	240	36	29	19	324
Indonesia	207	1	29		237
China, Peoples Republic Of	58	21			79
Burma	67	1	5	1	74
Vietnam	39	6	3	2	50
Pakistan	28		1		29
Kuwait	22	1	2		25
Other	508	85	40	36	669
Total	3940	293	519	136	4888

Figure 7

Children in immigration detention as at 10 September 2010	
Type	Total
Immigration Residential Housing	45
Immigration Transit Accommodation	62
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community	538
Community Detention	10
Total	655

As at 10 September 2010, there were 655 children (aged under 18 years) in immigration detention. Ten were detained in the community under residence determinations, 538 were in alternative temporary detention in the community, 45 were in immigration residential housing and 62 were in immigration transit accommodation.

Figure 8

Length of time in detention as at 10 September 2010		
Period Detained	Total	% of Total
7 days or less	97	2.0%
1 week - 1 month	472	9.7%
1 month - 3 months	1102	22.5%
3 months - 6 months	2050	41.9%
6 months - 12 months	1082	22.1%
12 months - 18 months	52	1.1%
18 months - 2 years	12	0.2%
Greater than 2 years	21	0.4%
Total	4888	100%

Of the 4888 people in immigration detention as at 10 September 2010, 1671 had been detained for less than three months.