

IMMIGRATION DETENTION STATISTICS SUMMARY

Community and Detention Services Division, DIAC - As at 22 October 2010

As at 22 October 2010, there were 5454 people in immigration detention, including 2695 in immigration detention on the mainland and 2759 in immigration detention on Christmas Island.

Of the 2695 people in immigration detention on the mainland, 475 were children (aged under 18 years) - 11 were detained in the community under residence determinations, 357 were in alternative temporary detention in the community, 47 were in immigration residential housing and 60 were in immigration transit accommodation.

Of the 2759 people in immigration detention on Christmas Island, 297 were children (aged under 18 years) - in alternative temporary detention in the community.

Figure 1

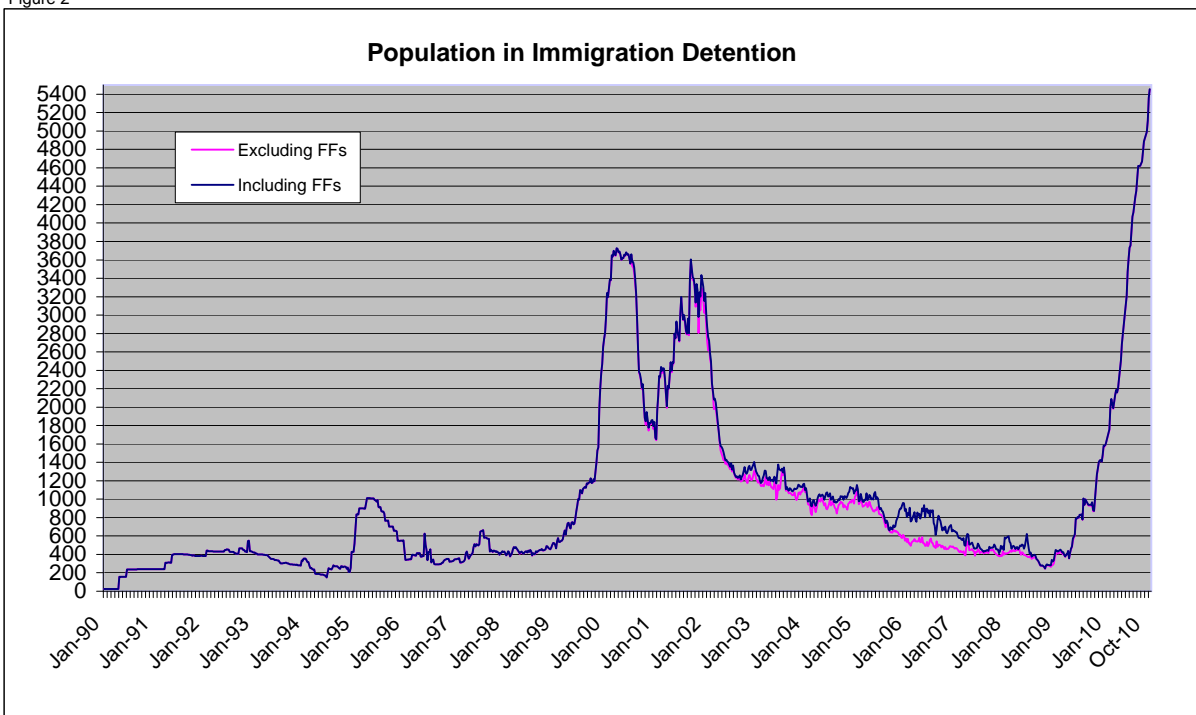
Place of immigration detention ¹	Men	Women	Children	Total	Change from 15/10/10
Villawood IDC	313	22		335	+ 12
Northern IDC (Darwin)	478			478	+ 9
Maribyrnong IDC	55	12		67	- 3
Perth IDC	48			48	0
Christmas Island IDC	2027			2027	- 46
Curtin IDC	747			747	- 2
Scherger IDC	79			79	+ 79
Total in IDCs	3747	34		3781	+ 49
Sydney Immigration Residential Housing	14	9	15	38	+ 2
Perth Immigration Residential Housing	4	4	9	17	0
Port Augusta Immigration Residential Housing	18	16	23	57	- 1
Brisbane Immigration Transit Accommodation	20	15	18	53	+ 8
Melbourne Immigration Transit Accommodation	1		42	43	0
Total in Immigration Residential Housing and Immigration Transit Accommodation	57	44	107	208	+ 9
Community Detention ² (Mainland)	11	2	11	24	+ 1
Community Detention (Christmas Island)				0	0
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community ³ (Mainland)	185	166	357	708	- 1
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community (Christmas Island)	307	128	297	732	+ 36
Restricted on Board Vessels in Port	1			1	0
Total	4308	374	772	5454	+ 94

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.

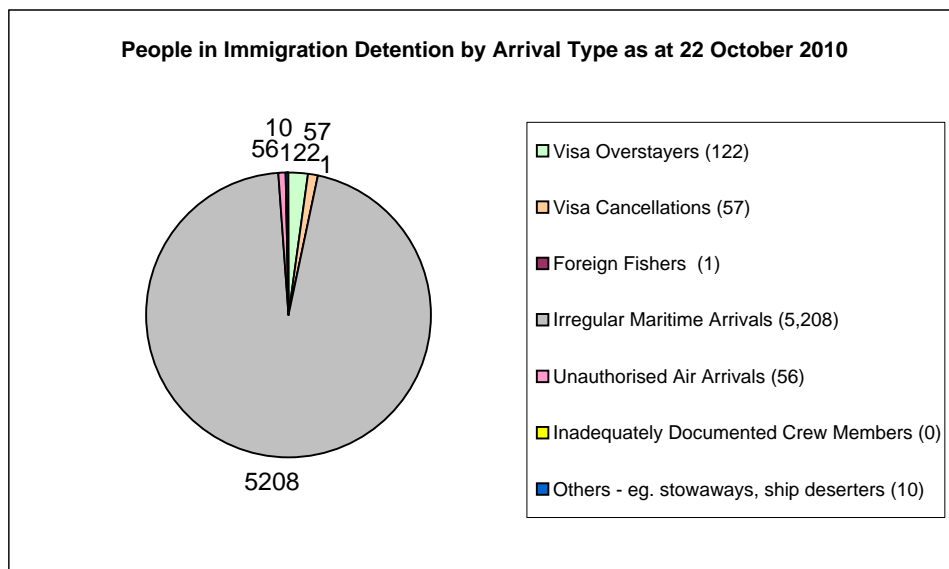
³ Includes detention in the community in private houses / correctional facilities / watch houses / hotels / apartments / foster care / hospitals with a person designated under the Act.

Figure 2



The following pie chart shows that as at 22 October 2010 there were 179 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 22 October 2010 was 5264, representing about 97 per cent of the total immigration detention population.

Figure 3



The following pie chart shows that as at 22 October 2010 there were 1588 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 50 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 39 people who had their protection visa application refused and 3731 undergoing RSA processing.

Figure 4

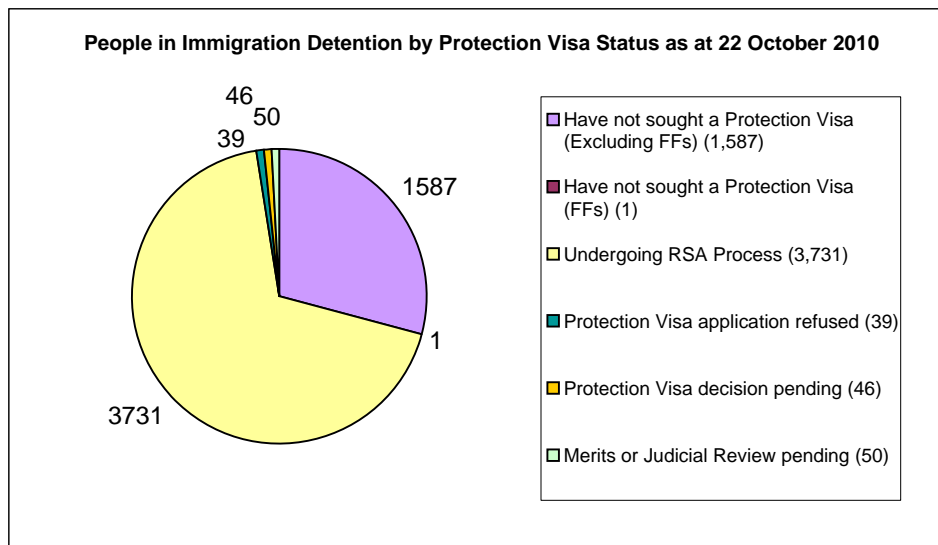


Figure 5

Location of people in immigration detention as at 22 October 2010	
	No. of People as at Midnight Census
Immigration Detention Centres (excluding FF)	
Immigration Detention Centres (excluding Christmas Island)	1754
Christmas Island IDC	2027
Total in Immigration Detention Centres (excluding FFs)	3781
Alternative Detention (excluding FF)	
Immigration Residential Housing	112
Immigration Transit Accommodation	96
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community	1439
Restricted on Board Vessels in Ports	1
Total in Alternative Temporary Detention Arrangements	1648
Community Detention	
Community Detention (excluding Christmas Island)	24
Community Detention, Christmas Island	0
Total in Community Detention Arrangements	24
Foreign Fishers (FF)	
Immigration Detention Centres	0
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community	1
Total FFs	1
TOTAL IN IMMIGRATION DETENTION	5454

Figure 6

People in immigration detention by nationality as at 22 October 2010					
Nationalities	Adult		Child (<18 years)		Total
	Male	Female	Male	Female	
Afghanistan	1904	23	326	22	2275
Iran	511	117	86	51	765
Sri Lanka	518	39	23	21	601
Iraq	315	46	42	29	432
Indonesia	222		35		257
China, Peoples Republic Of	67	22	1		90
Burma	64	1	5	1	71
Vietnam	39	6	3	2	50
Pakistan	28		1		29
Kuwait	20	1	2		23
Other	620	119	64	58	861
Total	4308	374	588	184	5454

Figure 7

Children in immigration detention as at 22 October 2010	
Type	Total
Immigration Residential Housing	47
Immigration Transit Accommodation	60
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community	654
Community Detention	11
Total	772

As at 22 October 2010, there were 772 children (aged under 18 years) in immigration detention. 11 were detained in the community under residence determinations, 654 were in alternative temporary detention in the community, 47 were in immigration residential housing and 60 were in immigration transit accommodation.

Figure 8

Length of time in detention as at 22 October 2010		
Period Detained	Total	% of Total
7 days or less	126	2.3%
1 week - 1 month	496	9.1%
1 month - 3 months	815	14.9%
3 months - 6 months	1935	35.5%
6 months - 12 months	1915	35.1%
12 months - 18 months	129	2.4%
18 months - 2 years	19	0.3%
Greater than 2 years	19	0.3%
Total	5454	100%

Of the 5454 people in immigration detention as at 22 October 2010, 1437 had been detained for less than three months.