

IMMIGRATION DETENTION STATISTICS SUMMARY

Community and Detention Services Division, DIAC - As at 16 April 2010

As at 16 April 2010, there were 2968 people in immigration detention, including 676 in immigration detention on the mainland and 2292 in immigration detention on Christmas Island.

Of the 676 people in immigration detention on the mainland, 107 were children (aged under 18 years) - four were detained in the community under residence determinations, 23 were in alternative temporary detention in the community, 16 were in immigration residential housing and 64 were in immigration transit accommodation.

Of the 2292 people in immigration detention on Christmas Island, 210 were children (aged under 18 years) - three were detained in the community under residence determinations and 207 were in alternative temporary detention in the community.

Figure 1

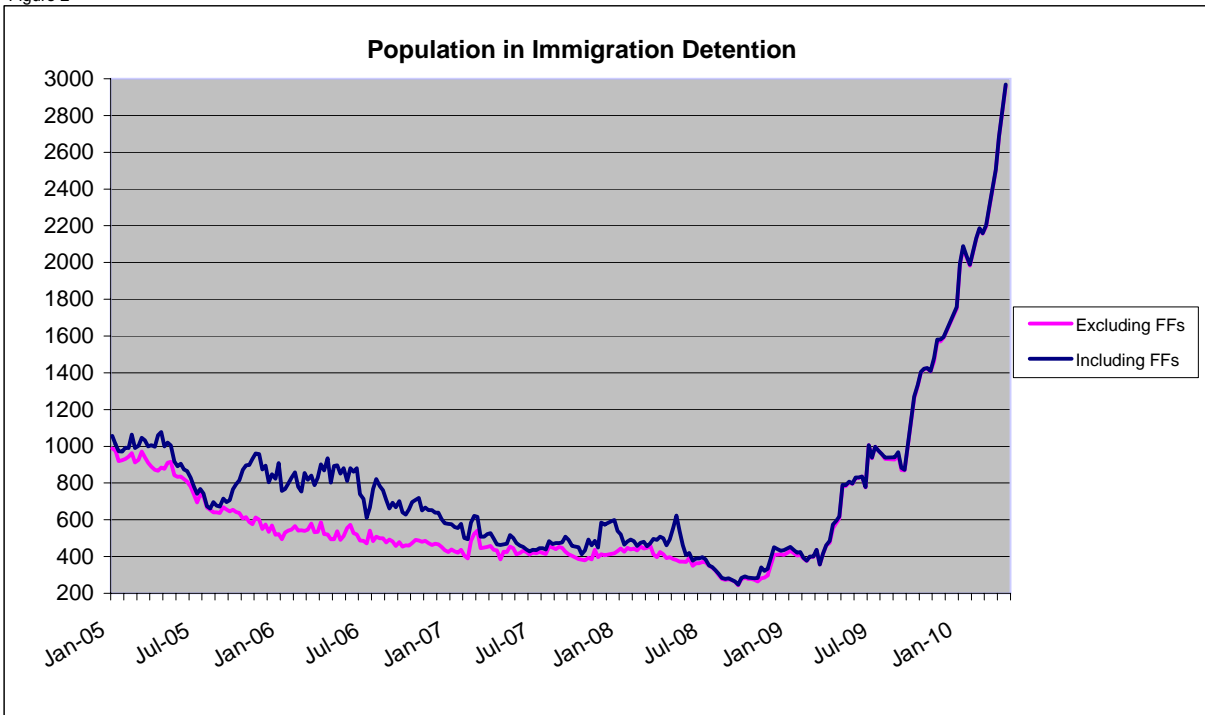
Place of immigration detention ¹	Men	Women	Children	Total	Change from 2/04/10
Villawood IDC	246	21		267	+ 34
Northern IDC (Darwin)	86			86	+ 12
Maribyrnong IDC	43	15		58	- 8
Perth IDC	50	2		52	+ 5
Christmas Island IDC	1697			1697	+ 147
Total in IDCs	2122	38	0	2160	+ 190
Sydney Immigration Residential Housing	14	2	4	20	+ 2
Perth Immigration Residential Housing	4	3	12	19	- 1
Brisbane Immigration Transit Accommodation	10	10	33	53	+ 3
Melbourne Immigration Transit Accommodation	7	7	31	45	- 5
Total in Immigration Residential Housing and Immigration Transit Accommodation	35	22	80	137	- 1
Community Detention ² (Mainland)	10		4	14	- 6
Community Detention (Christmas Island)	2	2	3	7	0
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community ³ (Mainland)	39		23	62	+ 22
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community (Christmas Island)	287	94	207	588	+ 77
Restricted on Board Vessels in Port				0	0
Total	2495	156	317	2968	+ 282

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.

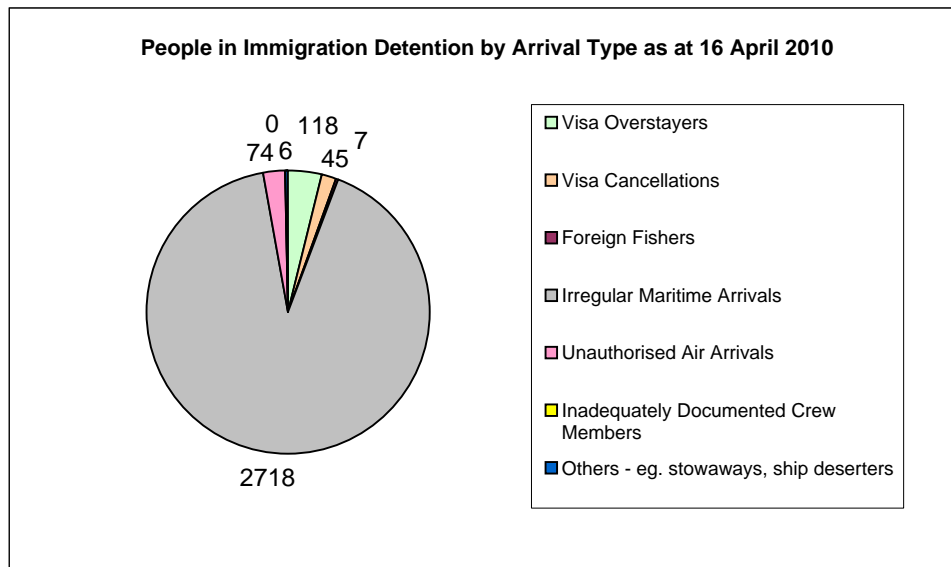
³ Includes detention in the community in private houses / correctional facilities / watch houses / hotels / apartments / foster care / hospitals with a person designated under the Act.

Figure 2



The following pie chart shows that as at 16 April 2010 there were 163 people (about 5 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 16 April 2010 was 2792, representing about 94 per cent of the total immigration detention population.

Figure 3



The following pie chart shows that as at 16 April 2010 there were 1575 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 85 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 35 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 28 people who had their protection visa application refused and 1245 undergoing RSA processing.

Figure 4

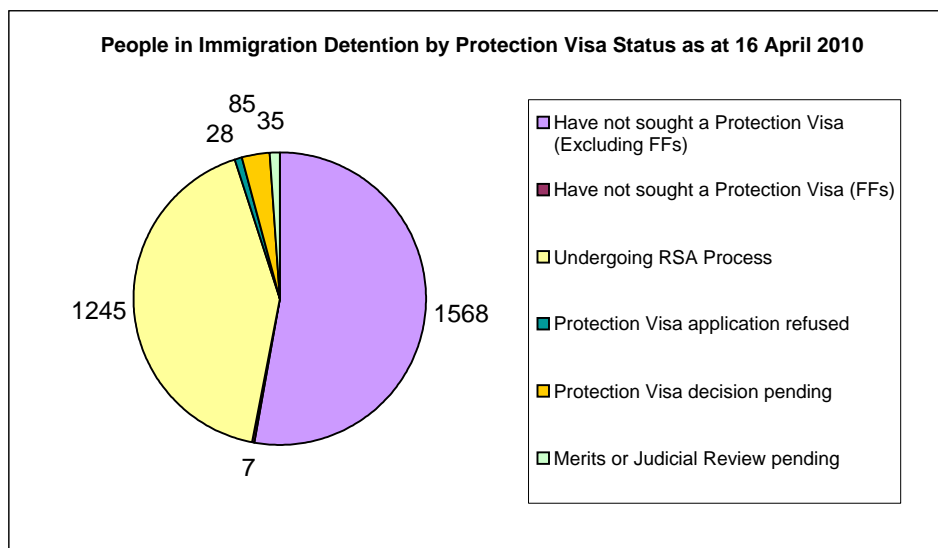


Figure 5

Location of people in immigration detention as at 16 April 2010	
	No. of People as at Midnight Census
Immigration Detention Centres (excluding FF)	
Immigration Detention Centres (excluding Christmas Island)	458
Christmas Island IDC	1697
Total in Immigration Detention Centres (excluding FFs)	2155
Alternative Detention (excluding FF)	
Immigration Residential Housing	39
Immigration Transit Accommodation	98
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community	648
Restricted on Board Vessels in Ports	0
Total in Alternative Temporary Detention Arrangements	785
Community Detention	
Community Detention (excluding Christmas Island)	14
Community Detention, Christmas Island	7
Total in Community Detention Arrangements	21
Foreign Fishers (FF)	
Immigration Detention Centres	5
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community	2
Total FFs	7
TOTAL IN IMMIGRATION DETENTION	2968

Figure 6

People in immigration detention by nationality as at 16 April 2010					
Nationalities	Adult		Child (<18 years)		Total
	Male	Female	Male	Female	
Afghanistan	1100	27	141	22	1290
Sri Lanka	577	26	15	13	631
Iraq	166	17	18	16	217
Indonesia	132		20		152
Iran	98	16	16	3	133
China, Peoples Republic Of	77	30			107
Burma	37	1	1	1	40
Vietnam	14	3			17
New Zealand	16				16
Palestinian Authority	5	2	6	1	14
Other	273	34	25	19	351
Total	2495	156	242	75	2968

Figure 7

Children in immigration detention as at 16 April 2010	
Type	Total
Immigration Residential Housing	16
Immigration Transit Accommodation	64
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community	230
Community Detention	7
Total	317

As at 16 April 2010, there were 317 children (aged under 18 years) in immigration detention. Seven were detained in the community under residence determinations, 230 were in alternative temporary detention in the community, 16 were in immigration residential housing and 64 were in immigration transit accommodation.

Figure 8

Length of time in detention as at 16 April 2010		
Period Detained	Total	% of Total
7 days or less	360	12.1%
1 week - 1 month	637	21.5%
1 month - 3 months	1009	34.0%
3 months - 6 months	548	18.5%
6 months - 12 months	367	12.4%
12 months - 18 months	25	0.8%
18 months - 2 years	3	0.1%
Greater than 2 years	19	0.6%
Total	2968	100%

Of the 2968 people in immigration detention as at 16 April 2010, 2006 had been detained for less than three months.