

IMMIGRATION DETENTION STATISTICS SUMMARY

Community and Detention Services Division, DIAC - As at 12 February 2010

As at 12 February 2010, there were 2132 people in immigration detention, including 383 in immigration detention on the mainland and 1749 in immigration detention on Christmas Island.

Of the 383 people in immigration detention on the mainland, 57 were children (aged under 18 years) - six were detained in the community under residence determinations, 13 were in alternative temporary detention in the community, five were in immigration residential housing and 33 were in immigration transit accommodation.

Of the 1749 people in immigration detention on Christmas Island, 147 were children (aged under 18 years) - three were detained in the community under residence determinations and 144 were in alternative temporary detention in the community.

Figure 1

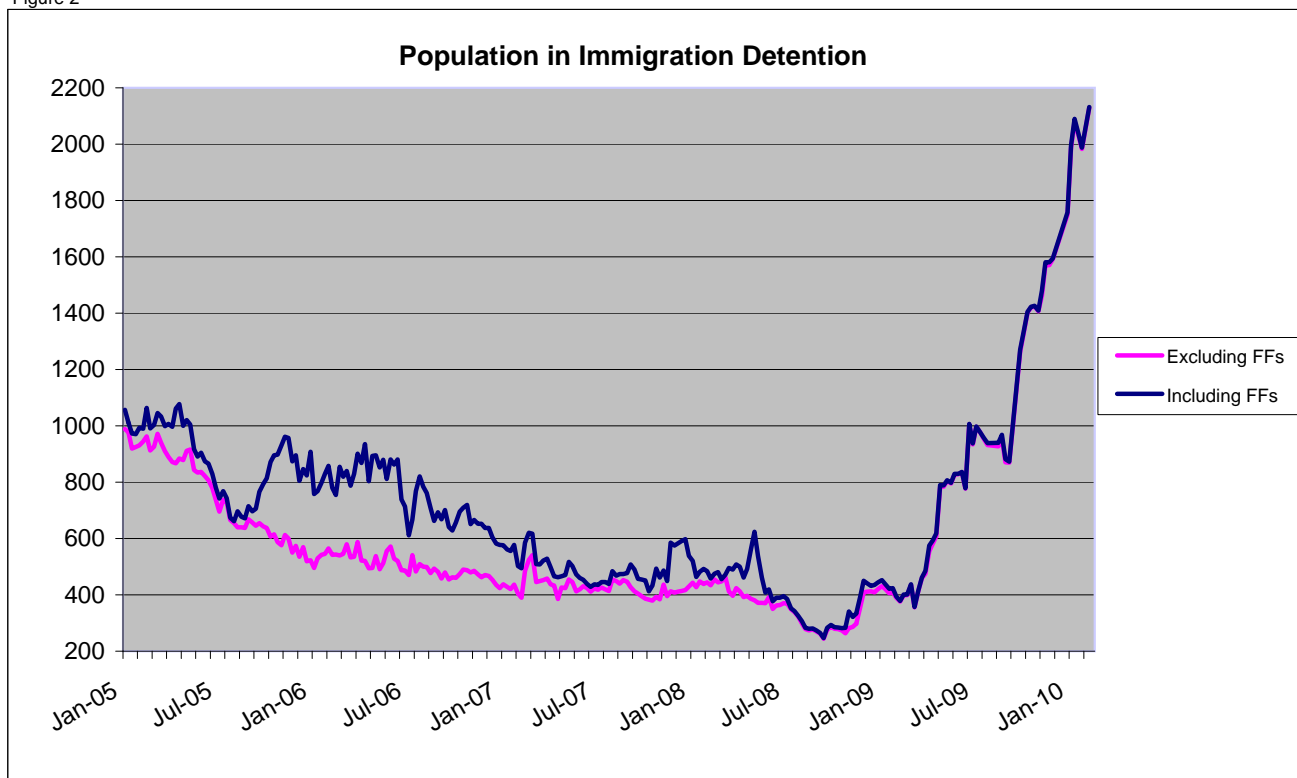
Place of immigration detention ¹ (Regular use capacity)	Men	Women	Children	Total	Change from 29/01/10
Villawood IDC (358)	123	14		137	- 3
Northern IDC (Darwin) (382)	40			40	- 3
Maribyrnong IDC (70)	37	8		45	- 16
Perth IDC (27)	27	3		30	+ 1
Christmas Island IDC (400)	1427			1427	+ 124
Total in IDCs (1237)	1654	25	0	1679	+ 103
Sydney Immigration Residential Housing (34)	20	5	2	27	+ 1
Perth Immigration Residential Housing (11)	8		3	11	0
Brisbane Immigration Transit Accommodation (29)	6	6	18	30	+ 9
Melbourne Immigration Transit Accommodation (30)	3	1	15	19	+ 4
Total in Immigration Residential Housing and Immigration Transit Accommodation (104)	37	12	38	87	+ 14
Community Detention ² (Mainland)	12	1	6	19	+ 1
Community Detention (Christmas Island)	3	2	3	8	0
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community ³ (Mainland)	11	1	13	25	- 3
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community (Christmas Island)	119	51	144	314	+ 29
Restricted on Board Vessels in Port				0	0
Total	1836	92	204	2132	+ 144

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.

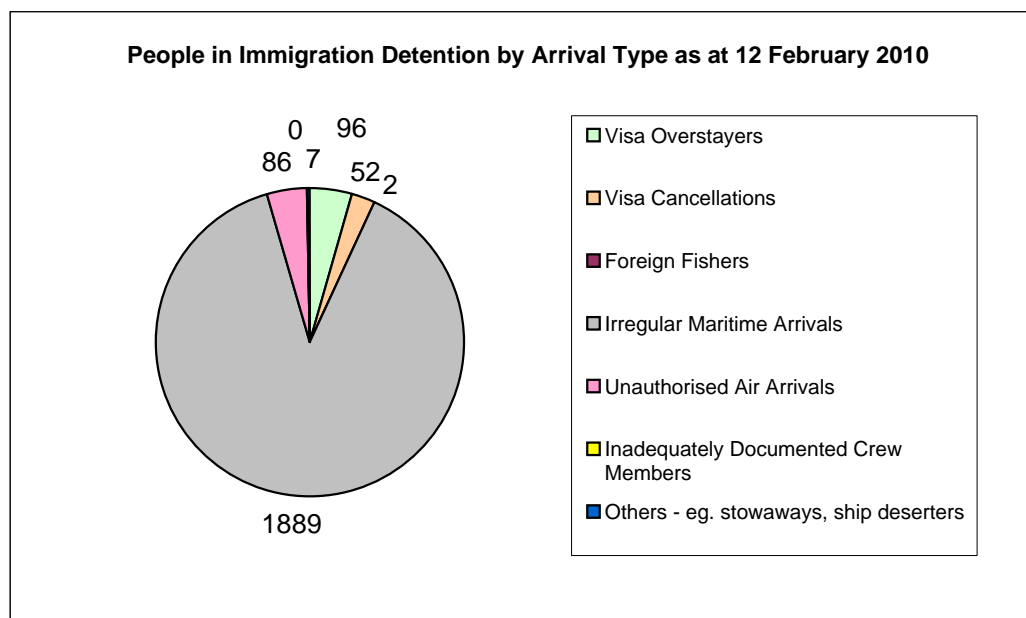
³ Includes detention in the community in private houses / correctional facilities / watch houses / hotels / apartments / foster care / hospitals with a person designated under the Act.

Figure 2



The following pie chart shows that as at 12 February 2010 there were 148 people (about 7 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 12 February 2010 was 1975, representing about 93 per cent of the total immigration detention population.

Figure 3



The following pie chart shows that as at 12 February 2010 there were 1056 people who had not applied for a protection visa while in immigration detention and were not undergoing a non-statutory refugee status assessment (RSA) at an excised offshore place such as Christmas Island. There were 47 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 36 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 34 people who had their protection visa application refused. There were 959 who were in immigration detention on Christmas Island who were undergoing RSA processing.

Figure 4

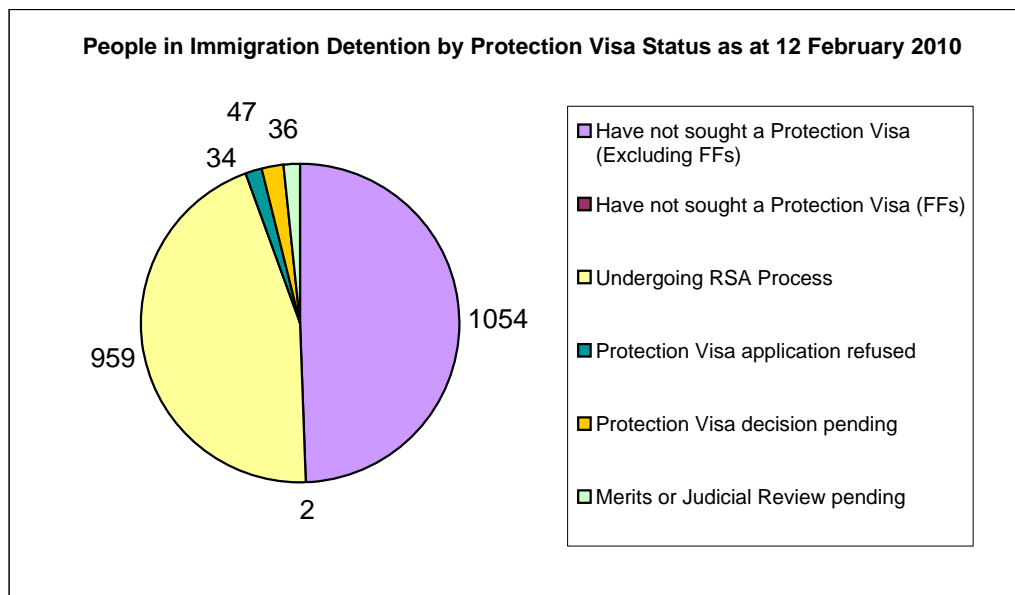


Figure 5

Location of people in immigration detention as at 12 February 2010	
	No. of People as at Midnight Census
Immigration Detention Centres (excluding FF)	
Immigration Detention Centres (excluding Christmas Island)	252
Christmas Island IDC	1427
Total in Immigration Detention Centres (excluding FFs)	1679
Alternative Detention (excluding FF)	
Immigration Residential Housing	38
Immigration Transit Accommodation	49
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community	337
Restricted on Board Vessels in Ports	0
Total in Alternative Temporary Detention Arrangements	424
Community Detention	
Community Detention (excluding Christmas Island)	19
Community Detention, Christmas Island	8
Total in Community Detention Arrangements	27
Foreign Fishers (FF)	
Immigration Detention Centres	0
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community	2
Total FFs	2
TOTAL IN IMMIGRATION DETENTION	2132

Figure 6

People in immigration detention by nationality as at 12 February 2010					
Nationalities	Adult		Child (<18 years)		Total
	Male	Female	Male	Female	
Afghanistan	729	24	110	16	879
Sri Lanka	517	12	12	4	545
Iraq	138	12	17	7	174
China, Peoples Republic Of	81	18			99
Indonesia	70		15		85
Iran	70	5	6	3	84
Vietnam	16	3			19
Burma	13		2		15
Pakistan	11				11
Nigeria	8		2		10
Other	183	18	6	4	211
Total	1836	92	170	34	2132

Figure 7

Children in immigration detention as at 12 February 2010	
Type	Total
Immigration Residential Housing	5
Immigration Transit Accommodation	33
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community	157
Community Detention	9
Total	204

As at 12 February 2010, there were 204 children (aged under 18 years) in immigration detention. Nine were detained in the community under residence determinations, 157 were in alternative temporary detention in the community, five were in immigration residential housing and 33 were in immigration transit accommodation.

Figure 8

Length of time in detention as at 12 February 2010		
Period Detained	Total	% of Total
7 days or less	167	7.8%
1 week - 1 month	396	18.6%
1 month - 3 months	917	43.0%
3 months - 6 months	376	17.6%
6 months - 12 months	230	10.8%
12 months - 18 months	15	0.7%
18 months - 2 years	10	0.5%
Greater than 2 years	21	1.0%
Total	2132	100%

Of the 2132 people immigration detention as at 12 February 2010, 1480 had been detained for less than three months.