

IMMIGRATION DETENTION STATISTICS SUMMARY

Community and Detention Services Division, DIAC - As at 18 February 2011

As at 18 February 2011, there were 6758 people in immigration detention, including 4119 in immigration detention on the mainland and 2639 in immigration detention on Christmas Island.

Of the 4119 people in immigration detention on the mainland, 714 were children (aged under 18 years) - 50 were detained in the community under residence determinations, 496 were in alternative temporary detention in the community, 34 were in immigration residential housing and 134 were in immigration transit accommodation.

Of the 2639 people in immigration detention on Christmas Island, 326 were children (aged under 18 years) - in alternative temporary detention in the community.

Figure 1

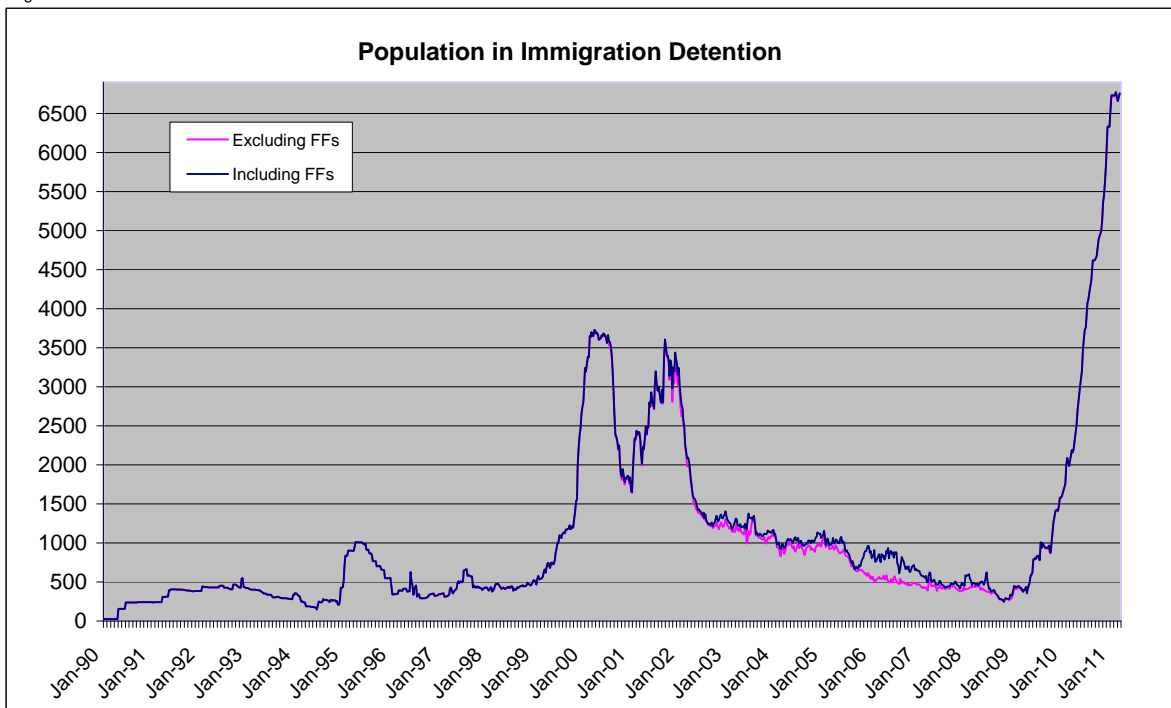
Place of immigration detention ¹	Men	Women	Children	Total	Change from 4/02/11
Villawood IDC	358	23		381	+ 42
Northern IDC (Darwin)	463			463	- 18
Maribyrnong IDC	69	10		79	+ 6
Perth IDC	53	1		54	+ 5
Christmas Island IDC	1832			1832	+ 3
Curtin IDC	1130			1130	- 23
Scherger IDC	311			311	+ 16
Total in IDCs	4216	34		4250	+ 31
Sydney Immigration Residential Housing	10	7	7	24	- 4
Perth Immigration Residential Housing	5	4	10	19	+ 3
Port Augusta Immigration Residential Housing	21	16	17	54	- 3
Brisbane Immigration Transit Accommodation	12	12	19	43	- 8
Melbourne Immigration Transit Accommodation	7		115	122	- 13
Adelaide Immigration Transit Accommodation	14	4		18	+ 18
Total in Immigration Residential Housing and Immigration Transit Accommodation	69	43	168	280	- 7
Community Detention ² (Mainland)	33	23	50	106	+ 38
Community Detention (Christmas Island)				0	0
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community ³ (Mainland)	475	331	496	1302	- 38
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community (Christmas Island)	326	155	326	807	+ 63
Restricted on Board Vessels in Port	13			13	+ 12
Total	5132	586	1040	6758	+ 99

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.

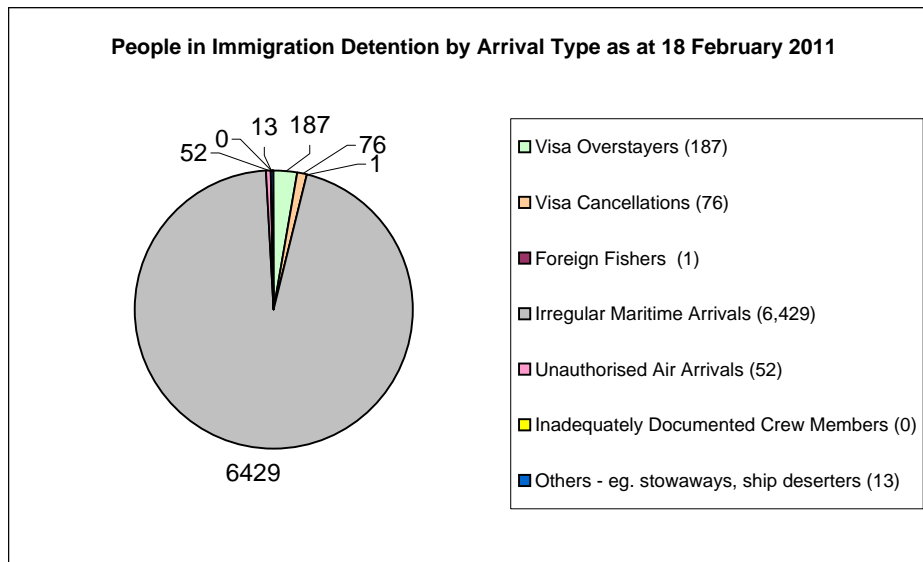
³ Includes detention in the community in private houses / correctional facilities / watch houses / hotels / apartments / foster care / hospitals with a person designated under the Act.

Figure 2



The following pie chart shows that as at 18 February 2011 there were 263 people (about 4 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 18 February 2011 was 6481, representing about 96 per cent of the total immigration detention population.

Figure 3



The following pie chart shows that 5727 people were undergoing non-statutory refugee status assessment processing as at 18 February 2011. There were 49 people who, having applied for a protection visa after being taken into immigration detention, were awaiting a decision from the department on their protection visa application. A further 37 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 53 people whose protection visa application had been refused. The remaining 892 were not undergoing a non-statutory refugee status assessment.

Figure 4

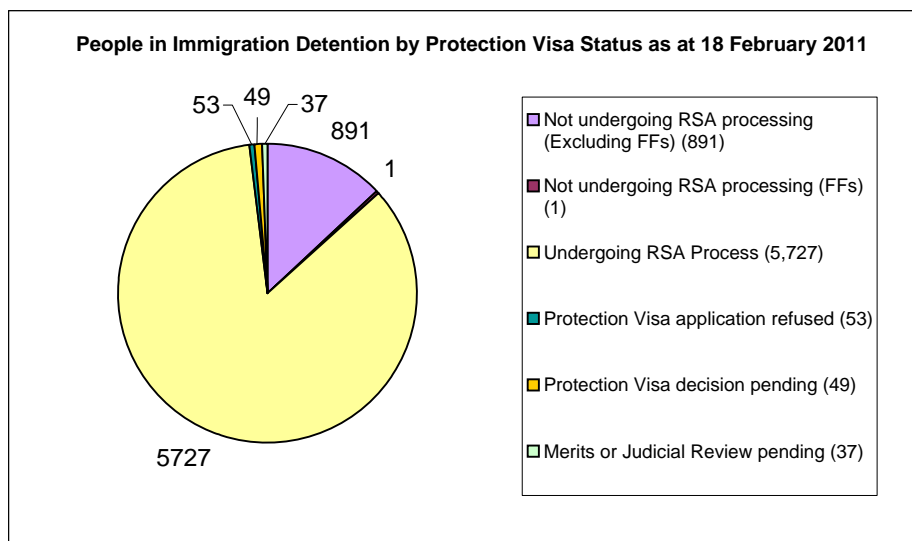


Figure 5

Location of people in immigration detention as at 18 February 2011	
	No. of People as at Midnight Census
Immigration Detention Centres (excluding FF)	
Immigration Detention Centres (excluding Christmas Island)	2418
Christmas Island IDC	1832
Total in Immigration Detention Centres (excluding FFs)	4250
Alternative Detention (excluding FF)	
Immigration Residential Housing	97
Immigration Transit Accommodation	183
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community	2108
Restricted on Board Vessels in Ports	13
Total in Alternative Temporary Detention Arrangements	2401
Community Detention	
Community Detention (excluding Christmas Island)	106
Community Detention, Christmas Island	0
Total in Community Detention Arrangements	106
Foreign Fishers (FF)	
Immigration Detention Centres	0
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community	1
Total FFs	1
TOTAL IN IMMIGRATION DETENTION	6758

Figure 6

People in immigration detention by nationality as at 18 February 2011					
Nationalities	Adult		Child (<18 years)		Total
	Male	Female	Male	Female	
Afghanistan	1940	37	332	22	2331
Iran	837	221	131	97	1286
Sri Lanka	558	69	36	39	702
Iraq	424	67	70	39	600
Indonesia	280		49		329
China, Peoples Republic Of	104	17			121
Burma	78		4		82
Pakistan	52		2		54
Vietnam	27	5	3	2	37
Kuwait	25	1	3		29
Other	807	169	122	89	1187
Total	5132	586	752	288	6758

Figure 7

Children in immigration detention as at 18 February 2011	
Type	Total
Immigration Residential Housing	34
Immigration Transit Accommodation	134
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community	822
Community Detention	50
Total	1040

As at 18 February 2011, there were 1040 children (aged under 18 years) in immigration detention. 50 were detained in the community under residence determinations, 822 were in alternative temporary detention in the community, 34 were in immigration residential housing and 134 were in immigration transit accommodation.

Figure 8

Length of time in detention as at 18 February 2011		
Period Detained	Total	% of Total
7 days or less	150	2.2%
1 week - 1 month	194	2.9%
1 month - 3 months	895	13.2%
3 months - 6 months	1833	27.1%
6 months - 12 months	3100	45.9%
12 months - 18 months	523	7.7%
18 months - 2 years	38	0.6%
Greater than 2 years	25	0.4%
Total	6758	100%

Of the 6758 people in immigration detention as at 18 February 2011, 1239 had been detained for less than three months.