

IMMIGRATION DETENTION STATISTICS SUMMARY

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

As at 22 January 2010, there were 2038 people in immigration detention, including 402 in immigration detention on the mainland and 1636 in immigration detention on Christmas Island.

Of the 402 people in immigration detention on the mainland, 75 were children (aged under 18 years) - six were detained in the community under residence determinations, 17 were in alternative temporary detention in the community, six were in immigration residential housing and 46 were in immigration transit accommodation.

Of the 1636 people in immigration detention on Christmas Island, 103 were children (aged under 18 years) - three were detained in the community under residence determinations and 100 were in alternative temporary detention in the community.

Figure 1

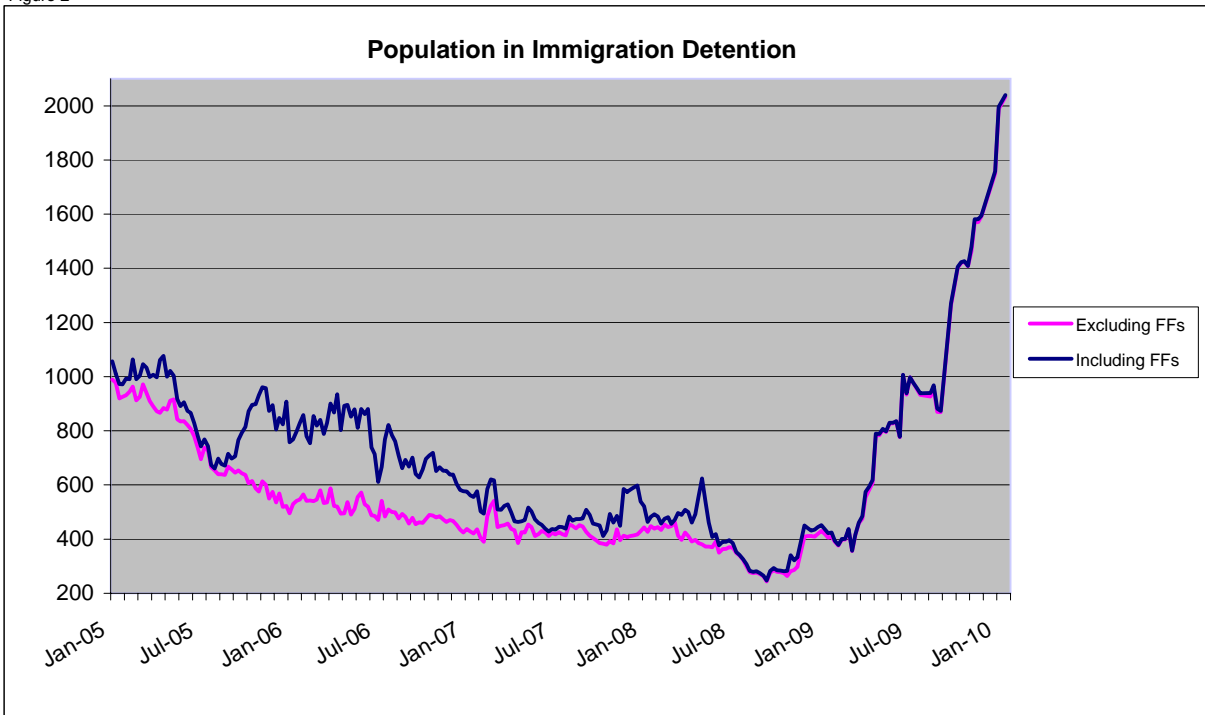
Place of immigration detention ¹ (Regular use capacity)	Men	Women	Children	Total	Change from 8/01/10
Villawood IDC (358)	122	9		131	- 6
Northern IDC (Darwin) (382)	44			44	+ 15
Maribyrnong IDC (70)	40	11		51	+ 21
Perth IDC (27)	33	2		35	+ 5
Christmas Island IDC (400)	1352			1352	- 10
Total in IDCs (1237)	1591	22	0	1613	+ 25
Sydney Immigration Residential Housing (34)	14	5	1	20	+ 2
Perth Immigration Residential Housing (11)	5	2	5	12	+ 2
Brisbane Immigration Transit Accommodation (29)		1	19	20	+ 10
Melbourne Immigration Transit Accommodation (30)	4		27	31	- 5
Total in Immigration Residential Housing and Immigration Transit Accommodation (104)	23	8	52	83	+ 9
Community Detention ² (Mainland)	11	1	6	18	0
Community Detention (Christmas Island)	3	2	3	8	0
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community ³ (Mainland)	21	2	17	40	+ 11
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community (Christmas Island)	119	57	100	276	- 2
Restricted on Board Vessels in Port				0	- 1
Total	1768	92	178	2038	+ 42

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.

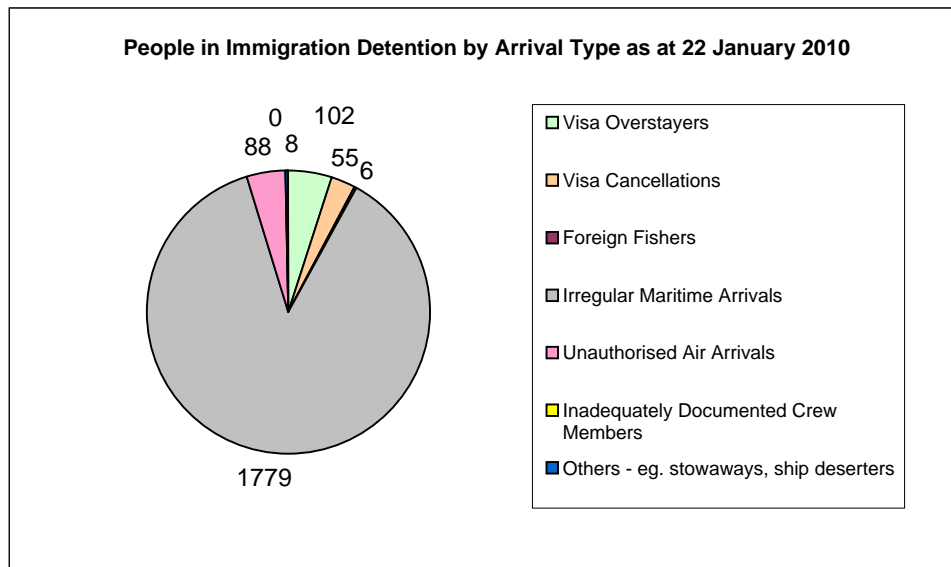
³ Includes detention in the community in private houses / correctional facilities / watch houses / hotels / apartments / foster care / hospitals with a person designated under the Act.

Figure 2



The following pie chart shows that as at 22 January 2010 there were 157 people (about 8 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 January 2010 was 1867, representing about 92 per cent of the total immigration detention population.

Figure 3



The following pie chart shows that as at 22 January 2010 there were 655 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 39 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 42 people who had their protection visa application refused. There were 1267 who were in immigration detention on Christmas Island who were undergoing RSA processing.

Figure 4

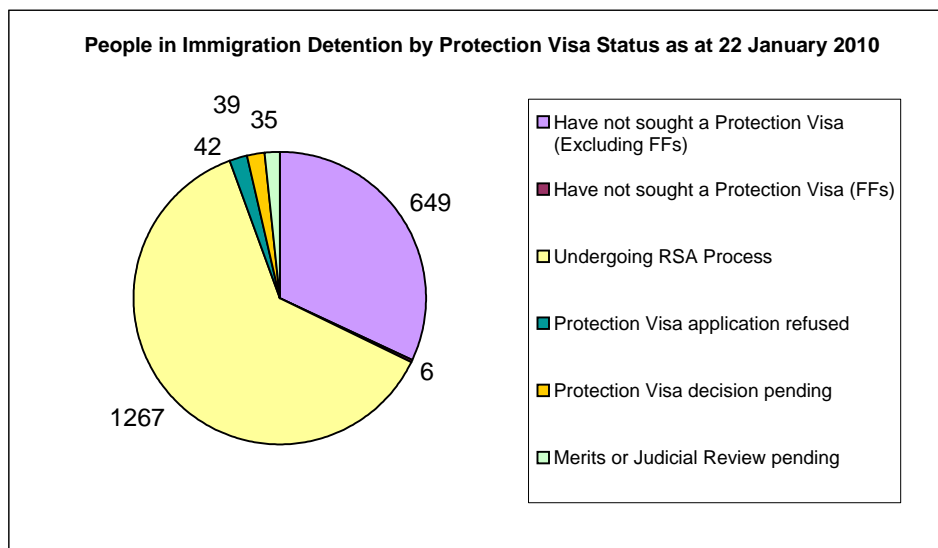


Figure 5

Location of people in immigration detention as at 22 January 2010	
	No. of People as at Midnight Census
Immigration Detention Centres (excluding FF)	
Immigration Detention Centres (excluding Christmas Island)	259
Christmas Island IDC	1352
Total in Immigration Detention Centres (excluding FFs)	1611
Alternative Detention (excluding FF)	
Immigration Residential Housing	32
Immigration Transit Accommodation	51
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community	312
Restricted on Board Vessels in Ports	0
Total in Alternative Temporary Detention Arrangements	395
Community Detention	
Community Detention (excluding Christmas Island)	18
Community Detention, Christmas Island	8
Total in Community Detention Arrangements	26
Foreign Fishers (FF)	
Immigration Detention Centres	2
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community	4
Total FFs	6
TOTAL IN IMMIGRATION DETENTION	2038

Figure 6

People in immigration detention by nationality as at 22 January 2010					
Nationalities	Adult		Child (<18 years)		Total
	Male	Female	Male	Female	
Afghanistan	644	20	103	12	779
Sri Lanka	501	12	11	4	528
Iraq	142	9	11	3	165
Iran	112	10	5	2	129
China, Peoples Republic Of	80	14			94
Indonesia	63		16		79
Malaysia	15	6			21
Vietnam	17	3			20
Burma	13		2		15
Pakistan	11				11
Other	170	18	5	4	197
Total	1768	92	153	25	2038

Figure 7

Children in immigration detention as at 22 January 2010	
Type	Total
Immigration Residential Housing	6
Immigration Transit Accommodation	46
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community	117
Community Detention	9
Total	178

As at 22 January 2010, there were 178 children (aged under 18 years) in immigration detention. Nine were detained in the community under residence determinations, 117 were in alternative temporary detention in the community, six were in immigration residential housing and 46 were in immigration transit accommodation.

Figure 8

Length of time in detention as at 22 January 2010		
Period Detained	Total	% of Total
7 days or less	49	2.4%
1 week - 1 month	489	24.0%
1 month - 3 months	860	42.2%
3 months - 6 months	460	22.6%
6 months - 12 months	131	6.4%
12 months - 18 months	19	0.9%
18 months - 2 years	8	0.4%
Greater than 2 years	22	1.1%
Total	2038	100%

Of the 2038 people immigration detention as at 22 January 2010, 1398 had been detained for less than three months.