

IMMIGRATION DETENTION STATISTICS SUMMARY

Community and Detention Services Division, DIAC - As at 7 May 2010

As at 7 May 2010, there were 3209 people in immigration detention, including 1126 in immigration detention on the mainland and 2083 in immigration detention on Christmas Island.

Of the 1126 people in immigration detention on the mainland, 209 were children (aged under 18 years) - four were detained in the community under residence determinations, 58 were in alternative temporary detention in the community, 77 were in immigration residential housing and 70 were in immigration transit accommodation.

Of the 2083 people in immigration detention on Christmas Island, 177 were children (aged under 18 years) - one was detained in the community under a residence determination and 176 were in alternative temporary detention in the community.

Figure 1

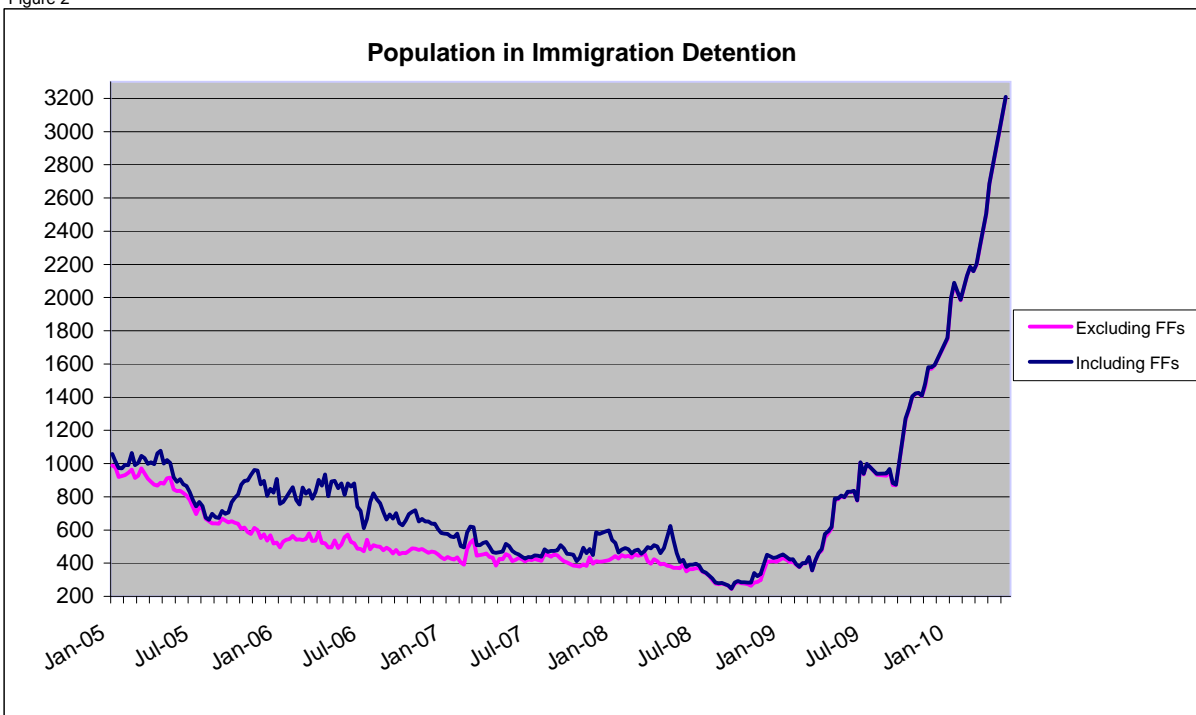
Place of immigration detention ¹	Men	Women	Children	Total	Change from 23/04/10
Villawood IDC	238	22		260	- 6
Northern IDC (Darwin)	413			413	+ 64
Maribyrnong IDC	47	18		65	+ 2
Perth IDC	41			41	- 3
Christmas Island IDC	1549			1549	+ 85
Total in IDCs	2288	40	0	2328	+ 142
Sydney Immigration Residential Housing	15	3	5	23	+ 1
Perth Immigration Residential Housing	2	4	12	18	0
Port Augusta Immigration Residential Housing			60	60	0
Brisbane Immigration Transit Accommodation	14	15	26	55	- 9
Melbourne Immigration Transit Accommodation	8	1	44	53	- 1
Total in Immigration Residential Housing and Immigration Transit Accommodation	39	23	147	209	- 9
Community Detention ² (Mainland)	10	1	4	15	0
Community Detention (Christmas Island)	1	1	1	3	- 3
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community ³ (Mainland)	43	22	58	123	+ 77
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community (Christmas Island)	273	82	176	531	- 2
Restricted on Board Vessels in Port				0	0
Total	2654	169	386	3209	+ 205

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.

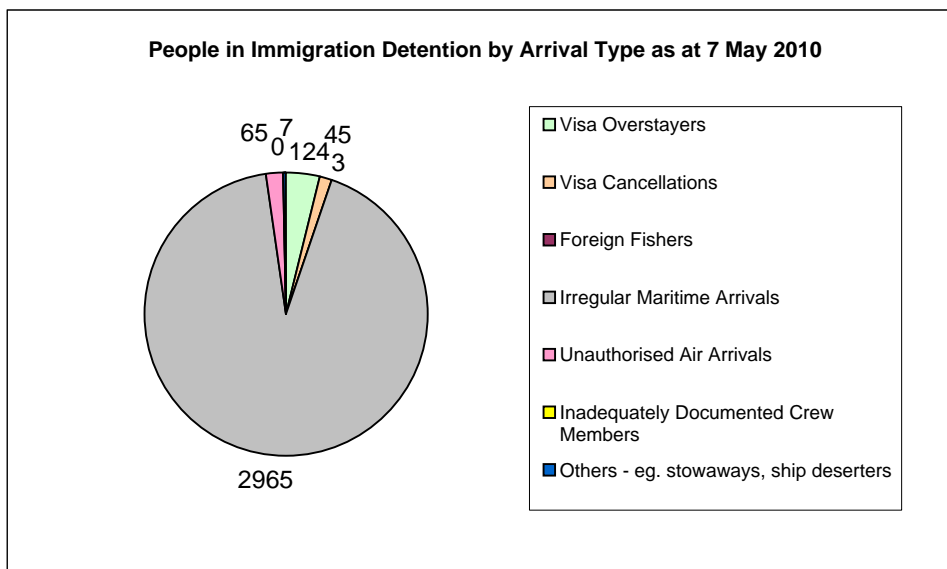
³ Includes detention in the community in private houses / correctional facilities / watch houses / hotels / apartments / foster care / hospitals with a person designated under the Act.

Figure 2



The following pie chart shows that as at 7 May 2010 there were 169 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 7 May 2010 was 3030, representing about 94 per cent of the total immigration detention population.

Figure 3



The following pie chart shows that as at 7 May 2010 there were 1739 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 89 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 29 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 35 people who had their protection visa application refused and 1317 undergoing RSA processing. There were 35 people who had their protection visa application refused and 1317 undergoing RSA processing.

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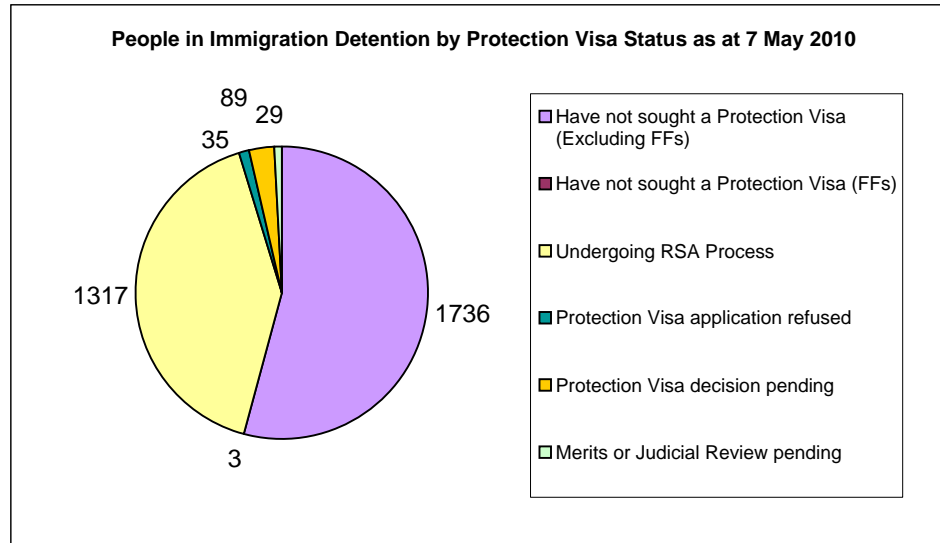


Figure 5

Location of people in immigration detention as at 7 May 2010	
	No. of People as at Midnight Census
Immigration Detention Centres (excluding FF)	
Immigration Detention Centres (excluding Christmas Island)	777
Christmas Island IDC	1549
Total in Immigration Detention Centres (excluding FFs)	2326
Alternative Detention (excluding FF)	
Immigration Residential Housing	101
Immigration Transit Accommodation	108
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community	653
Restricted on Board Vessels in Ports	0
Total in Alternative Temporary Detention Arrangements	862
Community Detention	
Community Detention (excluding Christmas Island)	15
Community Detention, Christmas Island	3
Total in Community Detention Arrangements	18
Foreign Fishers (FF)	
Immigration Detention Centres	2
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community	1
Total FFs	3
TOTAL IN IMMIGRATION DETENTION	3209

Figure 6

People in immigration detention by nationality as at 7 May 2010					
Nationalities	Adult		Child (<18 years)		Total
	Male	Female	Male	Female	
Afghanistan	1265	28	192	17	1502
Sri Lanka	566	26	16	13	621
Iraq	157	16	17	16	206
Indonesia	143	4	24		171
Iran	99	19	25	7	150
China, Peoples Republic Of	66	27			93
Burma	47	1	1	1	50
Vietnam	13	3			16
Palestinian Authority	5	2	6	1	14
Pakistan	12				12
Other	281	43	27	23	374
Total	2654	169	308	78	3209

Figure 7

Children in immigration detention as at 7 May 2010	
Type	Total
Immigration Residential Housing	77
Immigration Transit Accommodation	70
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community	234
Community Detention	5
Total	386

As at 7 May 2010, there were 386 children (aged under 18 years) in immigration detention. Five were detained in the community under residence determinations, 234 were in alternative temporary detention in the community, 77 were in immigration residential housing and 70 were in immigration transit accommodation.

Figure 8

Length of time in detention as at 7 May 2010		
Period Detained	Total	% of Total
7 days or less	204	6.4%
1 week - 1 month	628	19.6%
1 month - 3 months	1198	37.3%
3 months - 6 months	729	22.7%
6 months - 12 months	397	12.4%
12 months - 18 months	24	0.7%
18 months - 2 years	5	0.2%
Greater than 2 years	24	0.7%
Total	3209	100%

Of the 3209 people in immigration detention as at 7 May 2010, 2030 had been detained for less than three months.