

## IMMIGRATION DETENTION STATISTICS SUMMARY

Community and Detention Services Division, DIAC - As at 29 October 2010

As at 29 October 2010, there were 5626 people in immigration detention, including 2881 in immigration detention on the mainland and 2745 in immigration detention on Christmas Island.

Of the 2881 people in immigration detention on the mainland, 456 were children (aged under 18 years) - six were detained in the community under residence determinations, 349 were in alternative temporary detention in the community, 43 were in immigration residential housing and 58 were in immigration transit accommodation.

Of the 2745 people in immigration detention on Christmas Island, 341 were children (aged under 18 years) - in alternative temporary detention in the community.

Figure 1

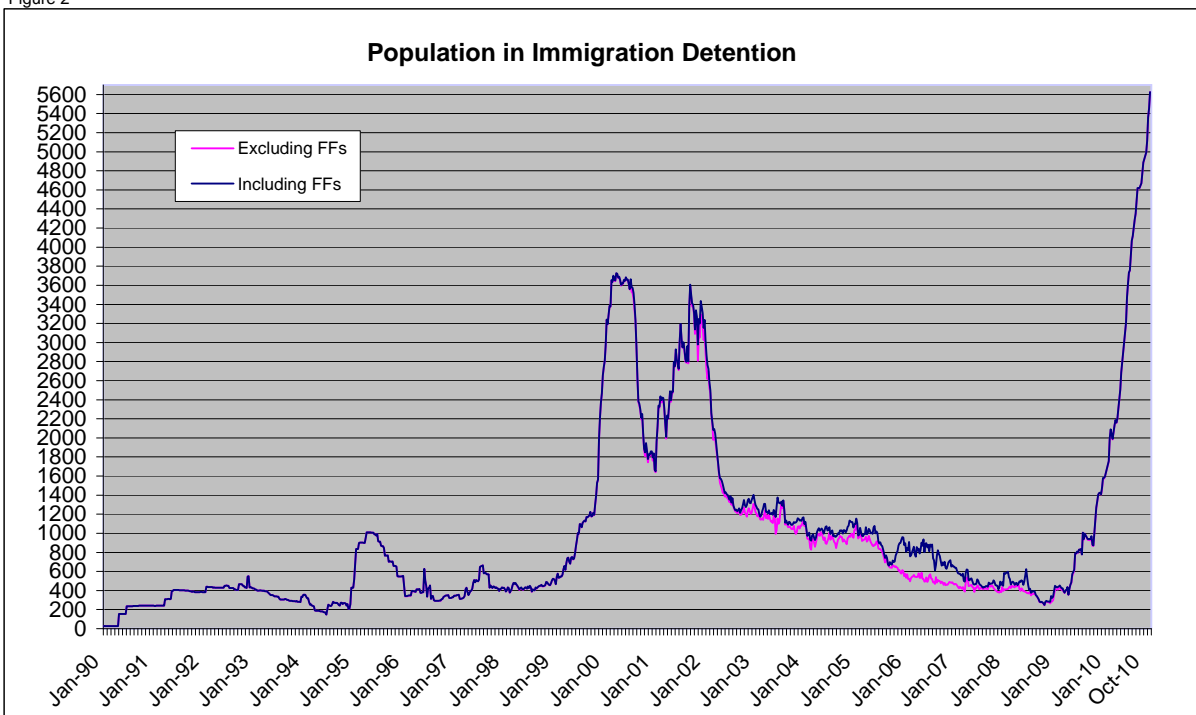
| Place of immigration detention <sup>1</sup>   | Men         | Women      | Children   | Total       | Change from 22/10/10 |
|---|-------------|------------|------------|-------------|----------------------|
| Villawood IDC   | 302         | 24         |            | 326         | - 9                  |
| Northern IDC (Darwin)   | 474         |            |            | 474         | - 4                  |
| Maribyrnong IDC   | 58          | 13         |            | 71          | + 4                  |
| Perth IDC   | 51          |            |            | 51          | + 3                  |
| Christmas Island IDC  | 1963        |            |            | 1963        | - 64                 |
| Curtin IDC  | 747         |            |            | 747         | 0                    |
| Scherger IDC  | 292         |            |            | 292         | + 213                |
| <b>Total in IDCs</b>  | <b>3887</b> | <b>37</b>  |            | <b>3924</b> | <b>+ 143</b>         |
| Sydney Immigration Residential Housing  | 14          | 9          | 14         | 37          | - 1                  |
| Perth Immigration Residential Housing   | 3           | 3          | 6          | 12          | - 5                  |
| Port Augusta Immigration Residential Housing  | 19          | 17         | 23         | 59          | + 2                  |
| Brisbane Immigration Transit Accommodation  | 21          | 14         | 17         | 52          | - 1                  |
| Melbourne Immigration Transit Accommodation   | 1           |            | 41         | 42          | - 1                  |
| <b>Total in Immigration Residential Housing and Immigration Transit Accommodation</b> | <b>58</b>   | <b>43</b>  | <b>101</b> | <b>202</b>  | <b>- 6</b>           |
| Community Detention <sup>2</sup> (Mainland)   | 10          | 1          | 6          | 17          | - 7                  |
| Community Detention (Christmas Island)  |             |            |            | 0           | 0                    |
| Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community <sup>3</sup> (Mainland)              | 189         | 162        | 349        | 700         | - 8                  |
| Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community (Christmas Island)                   | 293         | 148        | 341        | 782         | + 50                 |
| Restricted on Board Vessels in Port   | 1           |            |            | 1           | 0                    |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>4438</b> | <b>391</b> | <b>797</b> | <b>5626</b> | <b>+ 172</b>         |

<sup>1</sup> Immigration detention as set out under s 189 or s 249 of the *Migration Act 1958*.

<sup>2</sup> Community Detention does not require the person to be accompanied by a designated person.

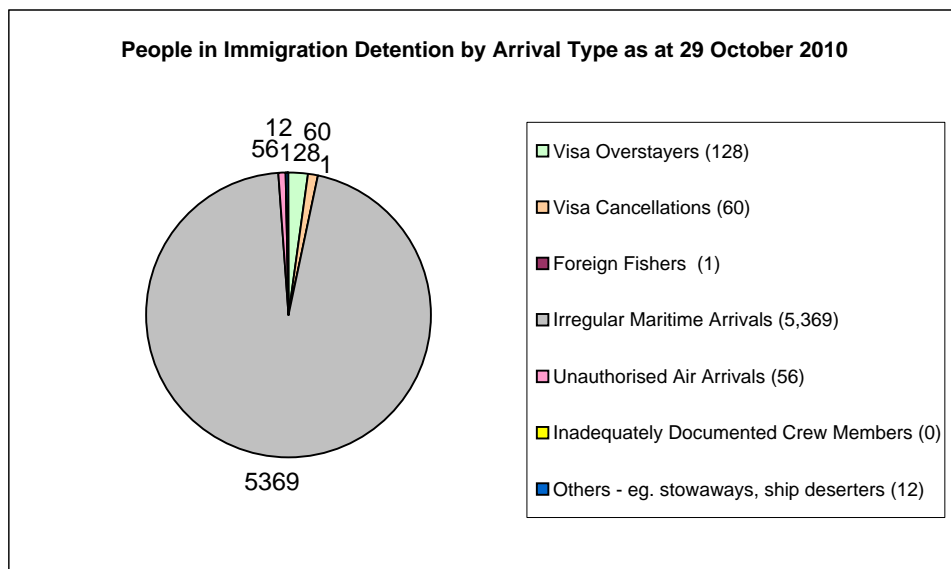
<sup>3</sup> Includes detention in the community in private houses / correctional facilities / watch houses / hotels / apartments / foster care / hospitals with a person designated under the Act.

Figure 2



The following pie chart shows that as at 29 October 2010 there were 188 people (about 3 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 29 October 2010 was 5425, representing about 96 per cent of the total immigration detention population.

Figure 3



The following pie chart shows that as at 29 October 2010 there were 1557 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 46 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 49 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 37 people who had their protection visa application refused and 3937 undergoing RSA processing.

Figure 4

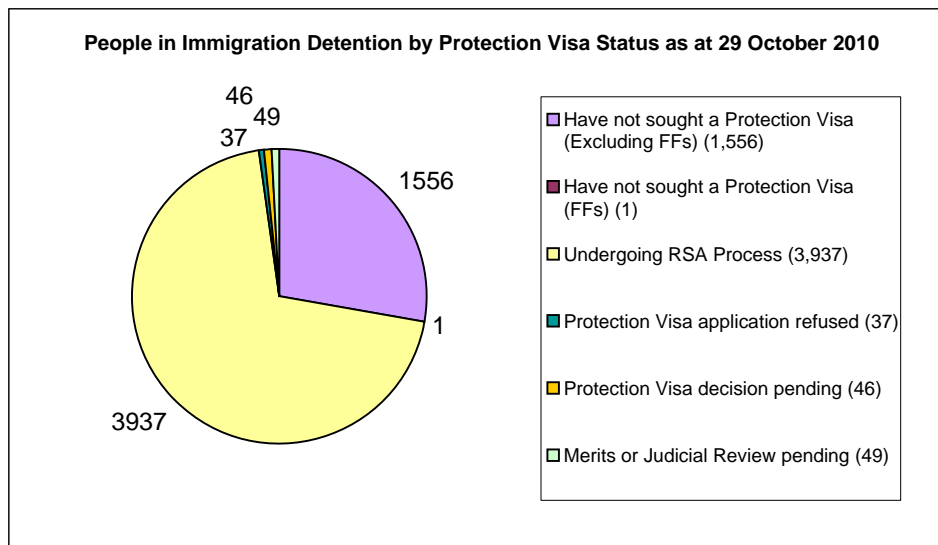


Figure 5

| Location of people in immigration detention as at 29 October 2010 |                                     |
|---|-------------------------------------|
|   | No. of People as at Midnight Census |
| <b>Immigration Detention Centres (excluding FF)</b>               |                                     |
| Immigration Detention Centres (excluding Christmas Island)        | 1961                                |
| Christmas Island IDC  | 1963                                |
| <b>Total in Immigration Detention Centres (excluding FFs)</b>     | <b>3924</b>                         |
| <b>Alternative Detention (excluding FF)</b>                       |                                     |
| Immigration Residential Housing                                   | 108                                 |
| Immigration Transit Accommodation                                 | 94                                  |
| Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community                  | 1481                                |
| Restricted on Board Vessels in Ports                              | 1                                   |
| <b>Total in Alternative Temporary Detention Arrangements</b>      | <b>1684</b>                         |
| <b>Community Detention</b>  |                                     |
| Community Detention (excluding Christmas Island)                  | 17                                  |
| Community Detention, Christmas Island                             | 0                                   |
| <b>Total in Community Detention Arrangements</b>                  | <b>17</b>                           |
| <b>Foreign Fishers (FF)</b>                                       |                                     |
| Immigration Detention Centres                                     | 0                                   |
| Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community                  | 1                                   |
| <b>Total FFs</b>  | <b>1</b>                            |
| <b>TOTAL IN IMMIGRATION DETENTION</b>                             | <b>5626</b>                         |

Figure 6

| People in immigration detention by nationality as at 29 October 2010 |             |            |                   |            |             |
|--|-------------|------------|-------------------|------------|-------------|
| Nationalities  | Adult       |            | Child (<18 years) |            | Total       |
|  | Male        | Female     | Male              | Female     |             |
| Afghanistan  | 1968        | 24         | 340               | 20         | 2352        |
| Iran   | 538         | 125        | 91                | 55         | 809         |
| Sri Lanka  | 515         | 39         | 23                | 21         | 598         |
| Iraq   | 315         | 44         | 44                | 27         | 430         |
| Indonesia  | 232         |            | 34                |            | 266         |
| Burma  | 87          | 1          | 7                 | 1          | 96          |
| China, Peoples Republic Of   | 64          | 22         | 1                 |            | 87          |
| Vietnam  | 31          | 8          | 3                 | 2          | 44          |
| Pakistan   | 30          |            | 1                 |            | 31          |
| Kuwait   | 20          | 1          | 2                 |            | 23          |
| Other  | 638         | 127        | 63                | 62         | 890         |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>4438</b> | <b>391</b> | <b>609</b>        | <b>188</b> | <b>5626</b> |

Figure 7

| Children in immigration detention as at 29 October 2010 |            |
|---|------------|
| Type  | Total      |
| Immigration Residential Housing                         | 43         |
| Immigration Transit Accommodation                       | 58         |
| Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community        | 690        |
| Community Detention                                     | 6          |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>797</b> |

As at 29 October 2010, there were 797 children (aged under 18 years) in immigration detention. Six were detained in the community under residence determinations, 690 were in alternative temporary detention in the community, 43 were in immigration residential housing and 58 were in immigration transit accommodation.

Figure 8

| Length of time in detention as at 29 October 2010 |             |             |
|---|-------------|-------------|
| Period Detained                                   | Total       | % of Total  |
| 7 days or less                                    | 248         | 4.4%        |
| 1 week - 1 month                                  | 597         | 10.6%       |
| 1 month - 3 months                                | 738         | 13.1%       |
| 3 months - 6 months                               | 1944        | 34.6%       |
| 6 months - 12 months                              | 1903        | 33.8%       |
| 12 months - 18 months                             | 158         | 2.8%        |
| 18 months - 2 years                               | 18          | 0.3%        |
| Greater than 2 years                              | 20          | 0.4%        |
| <b>Total</b>                                      | <b>5626</b> | <b>100%</b> |

Of the 5626 people in immigration detention as at 29 October 2010, 1583 had been detained for less than three months.