

IMMIGRATION DETENTION STATISTICS SUMMARY

Detention Operations Division, DIAC - As at 20 May 2011

As at 20 May 2011, there were 6729 people in immigration detention, including 5117 in immigration detention on the mainland and 1612 in immigration detention on Christmas Island.

Of the 5117 people in immigration detention on the mainland, 818 were children (aged under 18 years) - 266 were detained in the community under residence determinations, 429 were in alternative temporary detention in the community, 25 were in immigration residential housing and 98 were in immigration transit accommodation.

Of the 1612 people in immigration detention on Christmas Island, 264 were children (aged under 18 years) - in alternative temporary detention in the community.

Figure 1

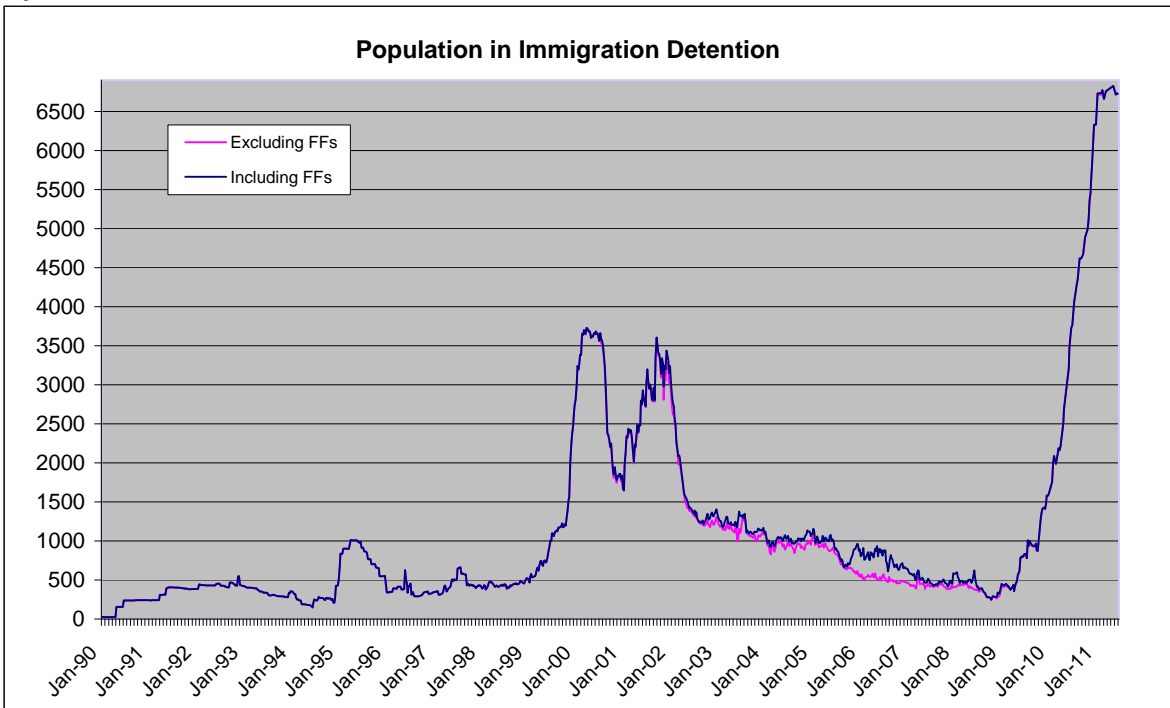
Place of immigration detention ¹	Men	Women	Children	Total	Change from 13/05/11
Villawood IDC	307	23		330	0
Northern IDC (Darwin)	501			501	+ 2
Maribyrnong IDC	86	5		91	+ 1
Perth IDC	39			39	0
Christmas Island IDC	1145			1145	- 1
Curtin IDC	1430			1430	0
Scherger IDC	589			589	0
Total in IDCs	4097	28		4125	+ 2
Sydney Immigration Residential Housing	8	8	9	25	0
Perth Immigration Residential Housing	5	9	1	15	+ 2
Port Augusta Immigration Residential Housing	14	13	15	42	+ 1
Brisbane Immigration Transit Accommodation	14	11	19	44	0
Melbourne Immigration Transit Accommodation	10		79	89	+ 7
Adelaide Immigration Transit Accommodation	3	1		4	+ 1
Total in Immigration Residential Housing and Immigration Transit Accommodation	54	42	123	219	+ 11
Community Detention ² (Mainland)	165	133	266	564	- 32
Community Detention (Christmas Island)				0	0
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community ³ (Mainland)	580	345	429	1354	+ 12
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community (Christmas Island)	123	80	264	467	+ 7
Restricted on Board Vessels in Port				0	- 1
Total	5019	628	1082	6729	- 1

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.

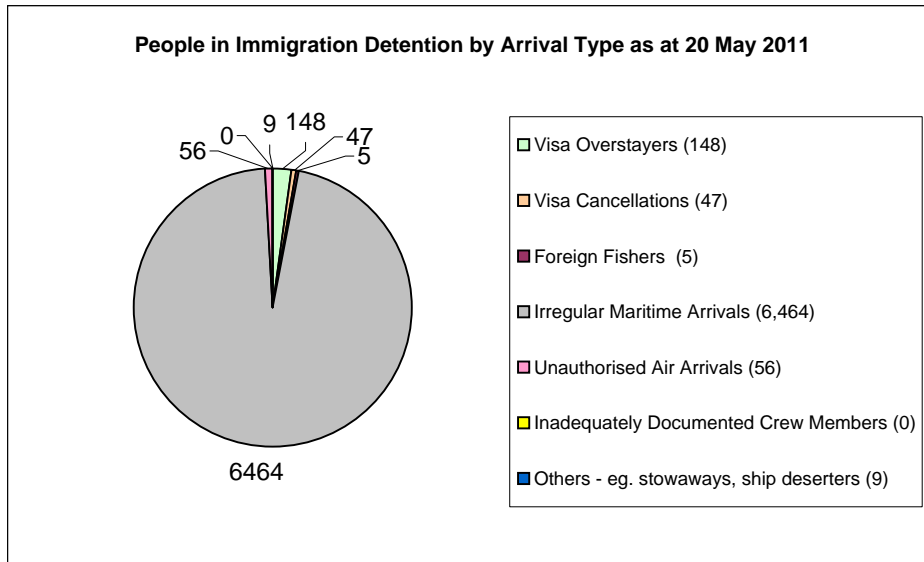
³ Includes detention in the community in private houses / correctional facilities / watch houses / hotels / apartments / foster care / hospitals with a person designated under the Act.

Figure 2



The following pie chart shows that as at 20 May 2011 there were 195 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 20 May 2011 was 6520, representing about 97 per cent of the total immigration detention population.

Figure 3



The following pie chart shows that 6036 people were undergoing non-statutory refugee status assessment (RSA) processing as at 20 May 2011. There were 47 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. 40 were seeking an independent merits-based review of a negative decision on their initial application for a protection visa, and a further 11 were awaiting the outcome of an application remitted for decision by the RRT or the courts. There were 57 people in immigration detention whose protection visa applications have been refused. The remaining 533 were not undergoing RSA processing.

Figure 4

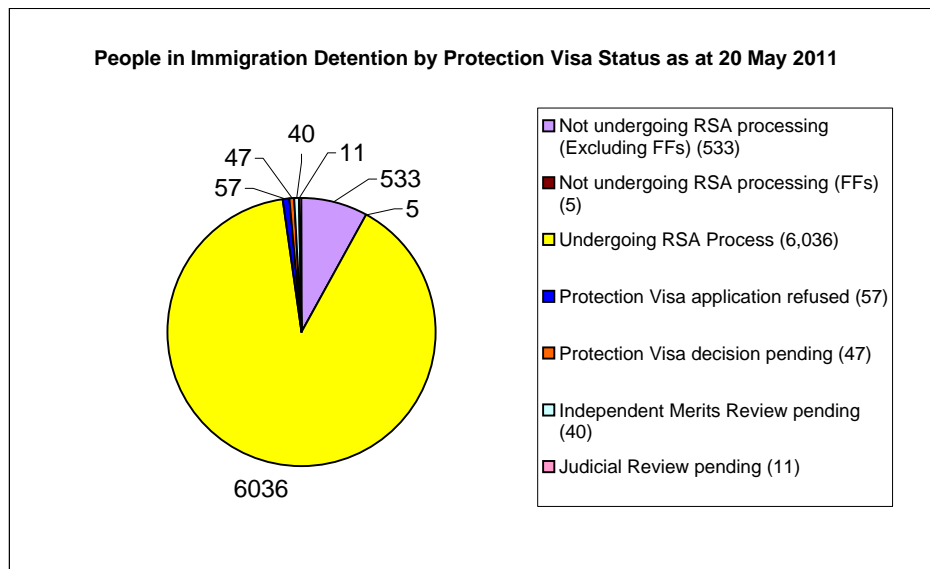


Figure 5

Location of people in immigration detention as at 20 May 2011	
	No. of People as at Midnight Census
Immigration Detention Centres (excluding FF)	
Immigration Detention Centres (excluding Christmas Island)	2975
Christmas Island IDC	1145
Total in Immigration Detention Centres (excluding FFs)	4120
Alternative Detention (excluding FF)	
Immigration Residential Housing	82
Immigration Transit Accommodation	137
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community	1821
Restricted on Board Vessels in Ports	0
Total in Alternative Temporary Detention Arrangements	2040
Community Detention	
Community Detention (excluding Christmas Island)	564
Community Detention, Christmas Island	0
Total in Community Detention Arrangements	564
Foreign Fishers (FF)	
Immigration Detention Centres	5
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community	0
Total FFs	5
TOTAL IN IMMIGRATION DETENTION	6729

Figure 6

People in immigration detention by nationality as at 20 May 2011					
Nationalities	Adult		Child (<18 years)		Total
	Male	Female	Male	Female	
Afghanistan	1833	33	255	18	2139
Iran	1053	268	162	117	1600
Sri Lanka	589	85	53	46	773
Iraq	393	69	67	44	573
Indonesia	306	2	47		355
Vietnam	39	10	60	27	136
Burma	93		2		95
China, Peoples Republic Of	66	19		1	86
Pakistan	70		4		74
Kuwait	20	1	2		23
Other	557	141	107	70	875
Total	5019	628	759	323	6729

Figure 7

Children in immigration detention as at 20 May 2011	
Type	Total
Immigration Residential Housing	25
Immigration Transit Accommodation	98
Alternative Temporary Detention in the Community	693
Community Detention	266
Total	1082

As at 20 May 2011, there were 1082 children (aged under 18 years) in immigration detention. 266 were detained in the community under residence determinations, 693 were in alternative temporary detention in the community, 25 were in immigration residential housing and 98 were in immigration transit accommodation.

Figure 8

Length of time in detention as at 20 May 2011		
Period Detained	Total	% of Total
7 days or less	9	0.1%
1 week - 1 month	397	5.9%
1 month - 3 months	757	11.2%
3 months - 6 months	1026	15.2%
6 months - 12 months	2713	40.3%
12 months - 18 months	1652	24.6%
18 months - 2 years	146	2.2%
Greater than 2 years	29	0.4%
Total	6729	100%

Of the 6729 people in immigration detention as at 20 May 2011, 1163 had been detained for less than three months.