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Immigration Detention and Community Statistics Summary

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About this report

This report provides an overview of the number of people in immigration detention and Offshore Processing Centres as at midnight on the date of the report. The report is produced on a monthly basis.

Data is sourced from several departmental processing and recording systems. Data relating to the immigration detention population is dynamic and there can be delays in transmission of information from the department's immigration detention network operations. Variations in figures between this report and previous issues can occur. Due to these issues, data from the current financial year should always be considered provisional.

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See: <http://www.immi.gov.au/managing-australias-borders/detention/visiting/enquiries-feedback.htm>

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Immigration Detention and Community Statistics Summary

As at 31 August 2014, there were 3440 people in immigration detention facilities, including 2482 in immigration detention on the mainland and 958 in immigration detention on Christmas Island.

A further 3038 people were living in the community after being approved for a residence determination and 24702 were living in the community after grant of a Bridging Visa E.

Table 1 – People in Immigration Detention Facilities, Alternative Places of Detention (APOD), Offshore Processing Centres and the Community

Place of immigration detention	Men	Women	Children	Total	Change from Previous Summary 31/07/2014
Christmas Island Immigration Detention Centre	632	0	0	632	- 38
Curtin Immigration Detention Centre	0	0	0	0	- 135
Maribyrnong Immigration Detention Centre	108	13	0	121	+ 7
Perth Immigration Detention Centre	41	6	0	47	- 3
Villawood Immigration Detention Centre	285	31	0	316	- 34
Wickham Point Immigration Detention Centre	171	0	0	171	+ 6
Yongah Hill Immigration Detention Centre	491	5	0	496	+ 110
Alternative Places of Detention (Christmas Island and Cocos Keeling Island)	83	96	147	326	- 8
Alternative Places of Detention (Mainland)	262	315	378	955	- 179
Total Immigration Detention Centres/APODs	2073	466	525	3064	- 274
Perth Immigration Residential Housing	2	3	10	15	- 16
Sydney Immigration Residential Housing	5	15	21	41	- 3
Adelaide Immigration Transit Accommodation	22	5	1	28	+ 13
Brisbane Immigration Transit Accommodation	30	22	15	67	+ 2
Melbourne Immigration Transit Accommodation	99	51	75	225	+ 16
Total in Immigration Residential Housing and Immigration Transit Accommodation	158	96	122	376	+ 12
Total Facility	2231	562	647	3440	- 262
Total Community under Residence Determination	797	681	1560	3038	+ 10
Total Community on Bridging Visa E (Including people in a re-grant process)	20324	2372	2006	24702	- 22
Republic of Nauru	748	263	222	1233	+ 87
Manus Province, Papua New Guinea	1084	0	0	1084	- 43
Total Offshore Processing Centres	1832	263	222	2317	+ 44

Community Population by State/Territory

Of the 3038 people approved for a residence determination to live in the community, 41.3% are in Victoria, 20.4% in Queensland, 17.8% in New South Wales, 8.4% in South Australia, 8.0% in Western Australia, 2.0% in Tasmania and 2.1 % the Australian Capital Territory.

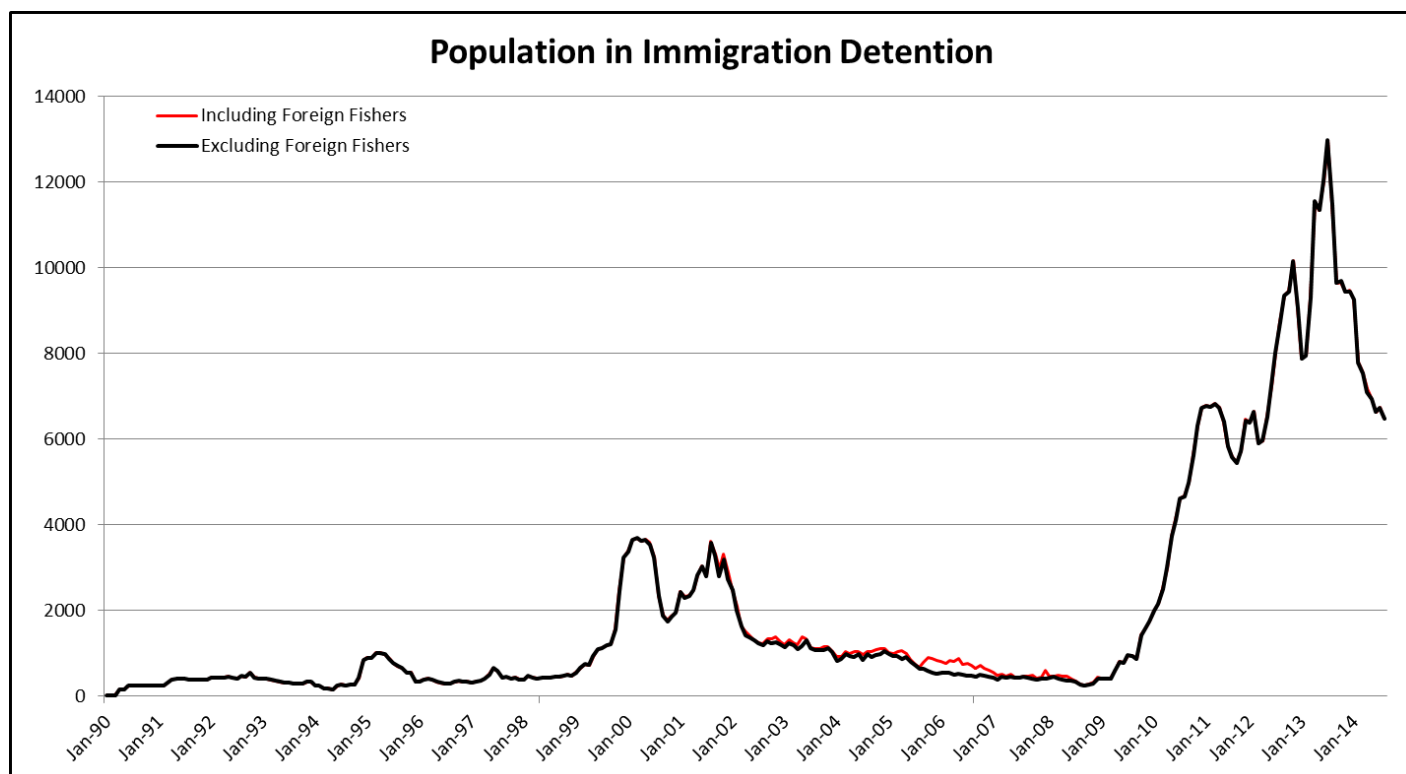
Table 2: Community Detention Population by State/Territory

State/Territory	Adult		Child (<18 years)		Total
	Male	Female	Male	Female	
VIC	321	282	384	268	1255
QLD	164	138	192	125	619
NSW	155	122	164	100	541
SA	60	59	75	60	254
WA	68	57	80	39	244
ACT	13	12	27	11	63
TAS	16	11	27	8	62
Total	797	681	949	611	3038

Immigration Detention Population from 1990 to 31 August 2014

The number of people in immigration detention continues to fluctuate month to month, as a result of releases into the community as well as transfers to Offshore Processing Centres.

Figure 1 - Population in Immigration Detention

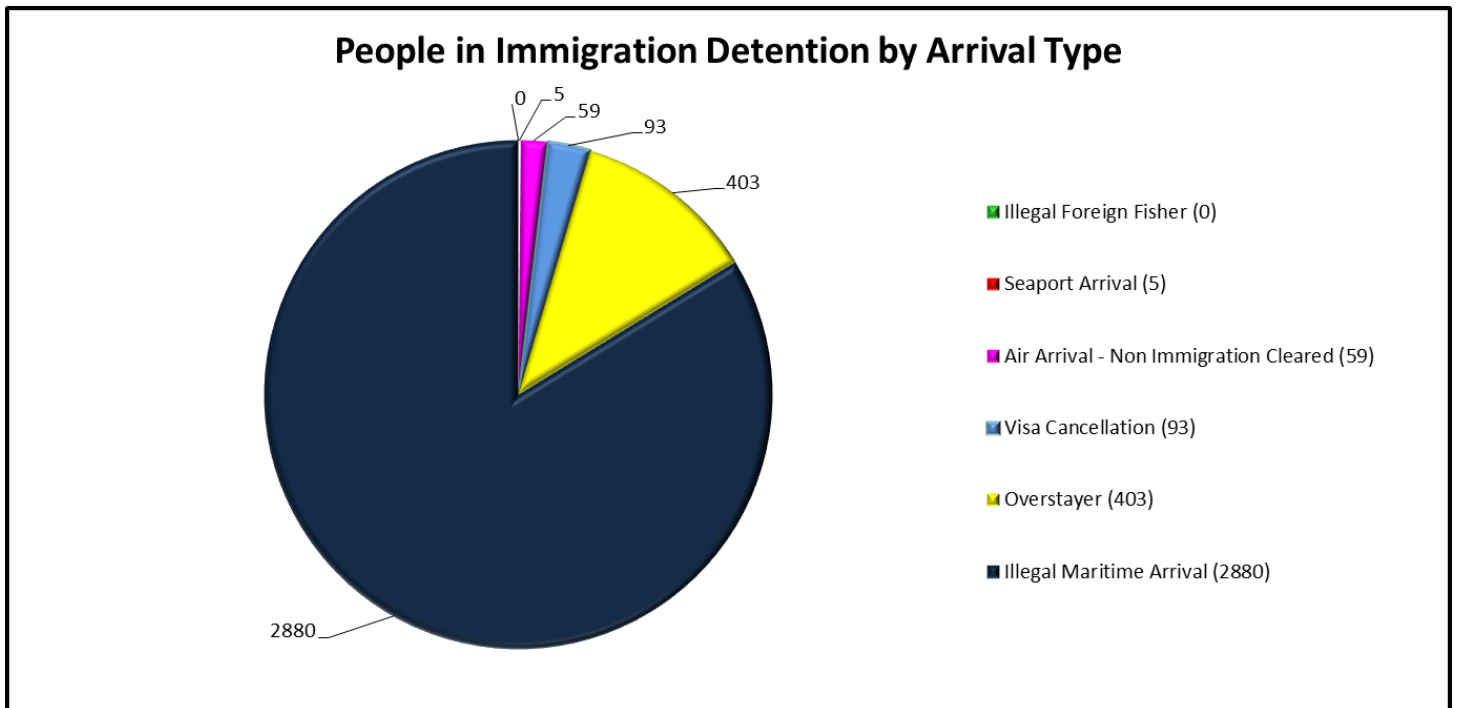


People in Immigration Detention Facilities by Arrival Type

The number of people in immigration detention facilities, who arrived unlawfully by air or boat as at 31 August 2014 was 2944, representing approximately 86% of the total immigration detention population.

There were also 496 people (about 14% of the total immigration population) who arrived in Australia lawfully and were subsequently taken into immigration detention and had visa cancellations for either over staying or breaching their visa conditions.

Figure 2 - People in Immigration Detention by Arrival Type



People in Immigration Detention by Nationality

As at 31 August 2014, there were 3440 people in held immigration detention facilities. Of these 3440 people, around 27.8% were from Iran, 16.8% were from Vietnam, 11.3% were Stateless, 7.6% were from Sri Lanka and 4.9% were from Afghanistan.

Table 3 - People in Immigration Detention Facilities as at 31 August 2014

Nationalities	Adult		Child (<18 years)		Total
	Male	Female	Male	Female	
Iran	527	206	136	89	958
Vietnam	404	84	56	34	578
Stateless	195	62	67	63	387
Sri Lanka	168	35	28	30	261
Afghanistan	128	9	27	6	170
China	109	33	0	1	143
Iraq	91	16	17	12	136
Pakistan	115	2	5	1	123
Bangladesh	69	1	0	0	70
Other	425	114	38	37	614
Total	2231	562	374	273	3440

As at 31 August 2014, 3038 were people living in the community after being approved for a residence determination. Of these 3038 people, around 28.6% were from Iran, 23.3% were from Sri Lanka, 14.5% were Stateless and 10.5% were from Afghanistan.

Table 4 - People in the community under Residence Determination as at 31 August 2014

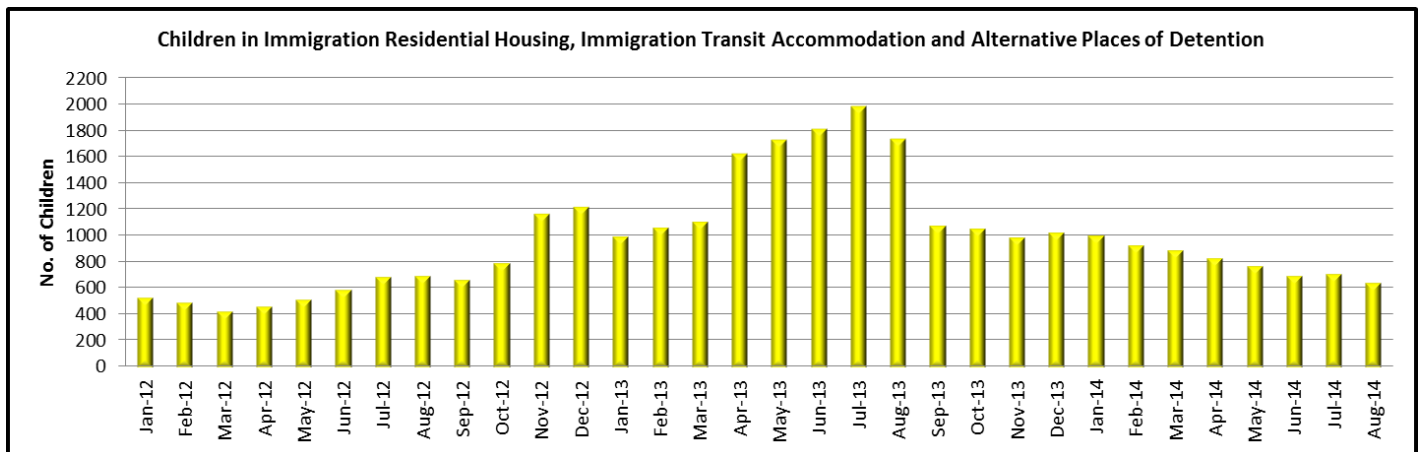
Nationalities	Adult		Child (<18 years)		Total
	Male	Female	Male	Female	
Iran	264	245	198	162	869
Sri Lanka	197	166	206	139	708
Stateless	104	90	138	109	441
Afghanistan	66	26	202	26	320
Iraq	71	45	62	39	217
Other	95	109	143	136	483
Total	797	681	949	611	3038

Children in Immigration Detention

As at 31 August 2014, there were 647 children (aged under 18 years) in Immigration Residential Housing, Immigration Transit Accommodation and Alternative Places of Detention.

The number of children in immigration facilities decreased in August due to children completing mandatory processing and being transferred into the community or to an Offshore Processing Centre as part of a family group.

Figure 3 - Children in Immigration Residential Housing, Immigration Transit Accommodation and Alternative Places of Detention



The number of children living in the community after being approved for a residence determination slightly increased in August 2014 to 1560 children.

Figure 4 – Children in the community under Residence Determination

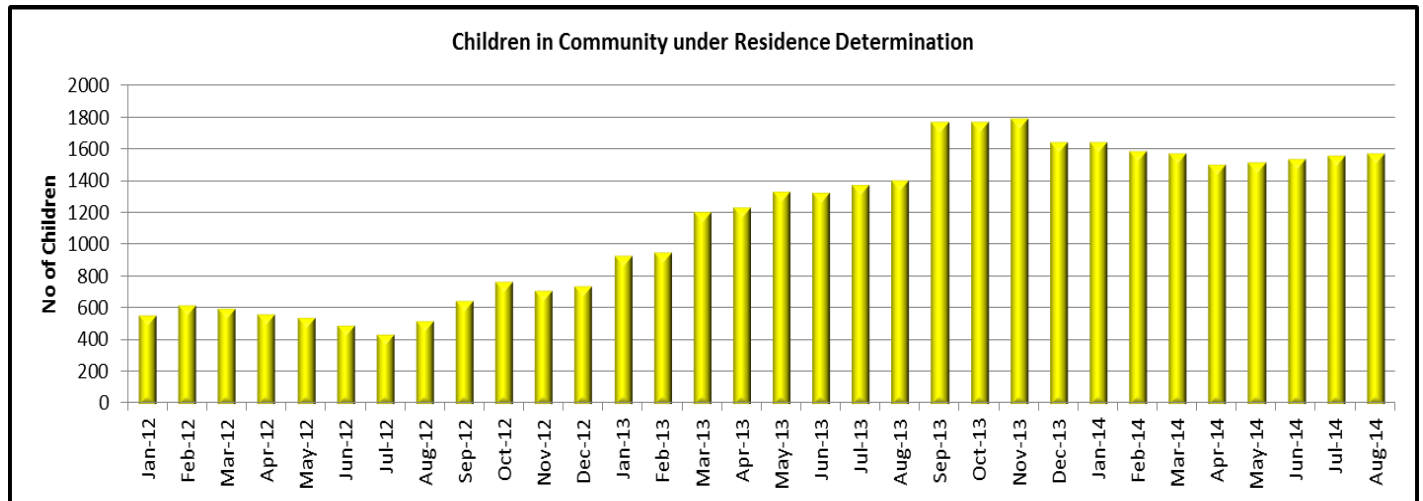


Table 5 - Children in Immigration Detention and in the Community as at 31 August 2014

Placement Type	Children
Immigration Residential Housing	31
Immigration Transit Accommodation	91
Alternative Places of Detention	525
Total Facility	647
Total in the Community under a Residence Determination	1560
Total in the Community on a Bridging Visa E (including people in a re-grant process)	2006

Time in Immigration Detention Facilities

As at 31 August 2014, there were 3440 people in immigration detention facilities. Of these 3440 people, around 9.8% had been detained for 3 months or less and 35.2% had been detained for 12 months or less.

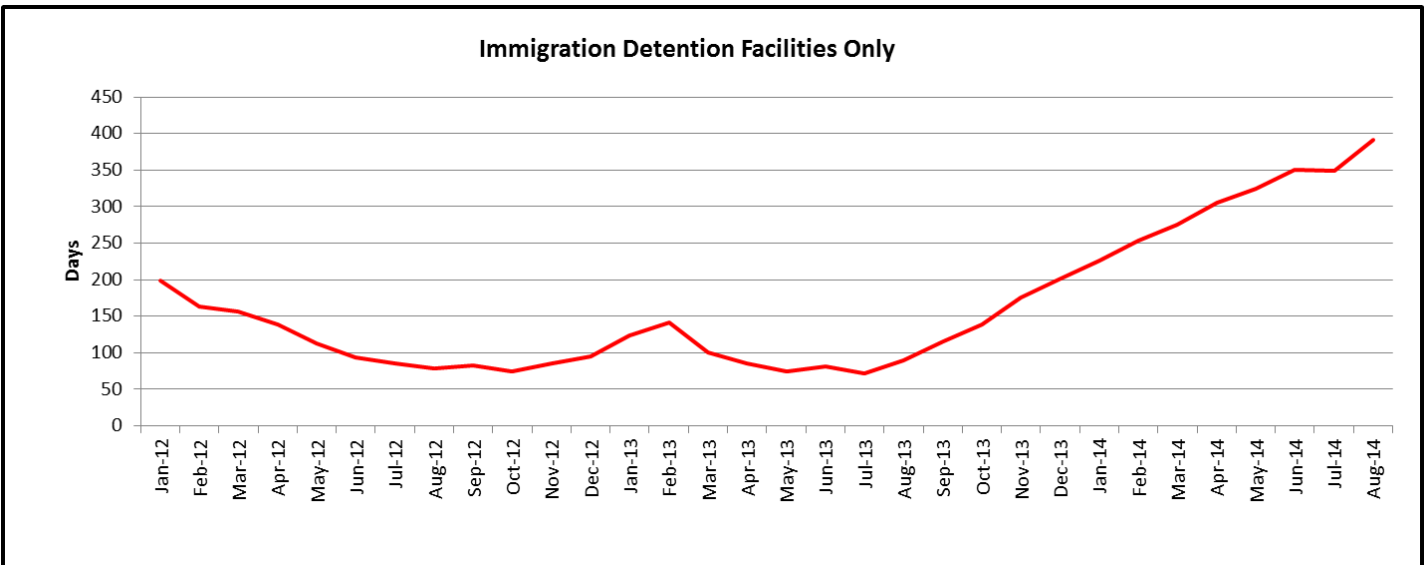
Table 6 - Length of time in held immigration detention as at 31 August 2014

Period Detained	Total	% of Total
7 days or less	73	2.1%
8 days - 31 days	114	3.3%
32 days - 91 days	149	4.3%
92 days - 182 days	201	5.8%
183 days - 365 days	674	19.6%
366 days - 547 days	1938	56.3%
548 days - 730 days	107	3.1%
Greater than 730 days	184	5.3%
Total	3440	99.8%*

*Due to rounding percentages, totals do not equal 100 %.

The average period of time for people held in detention facilities has increased to 391 days as at 31 August 2014.

Figure 5 - Average days in immigration detention facilities only



Time in Community Detention

Of the 3038 people in Community Detention, as at 31 August 2014, 9.1% had been detained under 3 months and 37.1% had been detained for 12 months or less. This includes the period detained in facilities prior to transferring to Community Detention.

Table 7 – People in Community Detention by Length of Time in Detention

Period Detained	Total	% of Total
7 days or less	2	0.1%
8 days - 31 days	53	1.7%
32 days - 91 days	222	7.3%
92 days - 182 days	342	11.3%
183 days - 365 days	508	16.7%
366 days - 547 days	889	29.3%
548 days - 730 days	642	21.1%
Greater than 730 days	380	12.5%
Total	3038	100.0%

The time in detention is cumulative and includes periods in detention facilities and community detention.