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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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<http://www.immi.gov.au/About/Pages/detention/about-immigration-detention.aspx>

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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 30 April 2014, there were 4258 people in immigration detention facilities, including 2854 in immigration detention on the mainland and 1404 in immigration detention on Christmas Island.

A further 2913 people were living in the community after being approved for a residence determination and 24273 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 31/03/2014
Christmas Island Immigration Detention Centre	823			823	- 41
Curtin Immigration Detention Centre	277			277	+ 26
Maribyrnong Immigration Detention Centre	100	7		107	+ 12
Northern Immigration Detention Centre (Darwin)	78			78	+ 17
Perth Immigration Detention Centre	37	12		49	- 13
Villawood Immigration Detention Centre	183	23		206	- 256
Wickham Point Immigration Detention Centre	192			192	+ 41
Yongah Hill Immigration Detention Centre	427			427	+ 57
Alternative Places of Detention (Christmas Island and Cocos Keeling Island)	153	174	254	581	- 93
Alternative Places of Detention (Mainland)	281	343	423	1047	0
<b>Total Immigration Detention Centres/APODs</b>	<b>2551</b>	<b>559</b>	<b>677</b>	<b>3787</b>	<b>1471</b>
Perth Immigration Residential Housing	4	8	14	26	+ 8
Sydney Immigration Residential Housing	6	12	17	35	+ 3
Adelaide Immigration Transit Accommodation	16	4		20	- 2
Brisbane Immigration Transit Accommodation	46	22	16	84	+ 6
Melbourne Immigration Transit Accommodation	122	75	109	306	+ 9
<b>Total in Immigration Residential Housing and Immigration Transit Accommodation</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>471</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>Total Facility</b>	<b>2745</b>	<b>680</b>	<b>833</b>	<b>4258</b>	<b>-226</b>
<b>Total Community under Residence Determination</b>	<b>799</b>	<b>624</b>	<b>1490</b>	<b>2913</b>	<b>-188</b>
<b>Total Community on Bridging Visa E (Including people in a re-grant process)</b>	<b>20148</b>	<b>2298</b>	<b>1827</b>	<b>24273</b>	<b>+65</b>

Offshore Processing Centres	Men	Women	Children	Total	Change from Previous Summary 31/03/2014
Republic of Nauru	677	310	190	1177	+ 20
Manus Province, Papua New Guinea	1273			1273	- 23
<b>Total Offshore Processing Centres</b>	<b>1950</b>	<b>310</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>2450</b>	<b>-3</b>

## Community Population by State/Territory

Of the 2913 people approved for a residence determination to live in the community, 43% are in Victoria, 20% in Queensland, 17% in New South Wales, 9% in South Australia, 7% in Western Australia and 2% in Tasmania and the Australian Capital Territory.

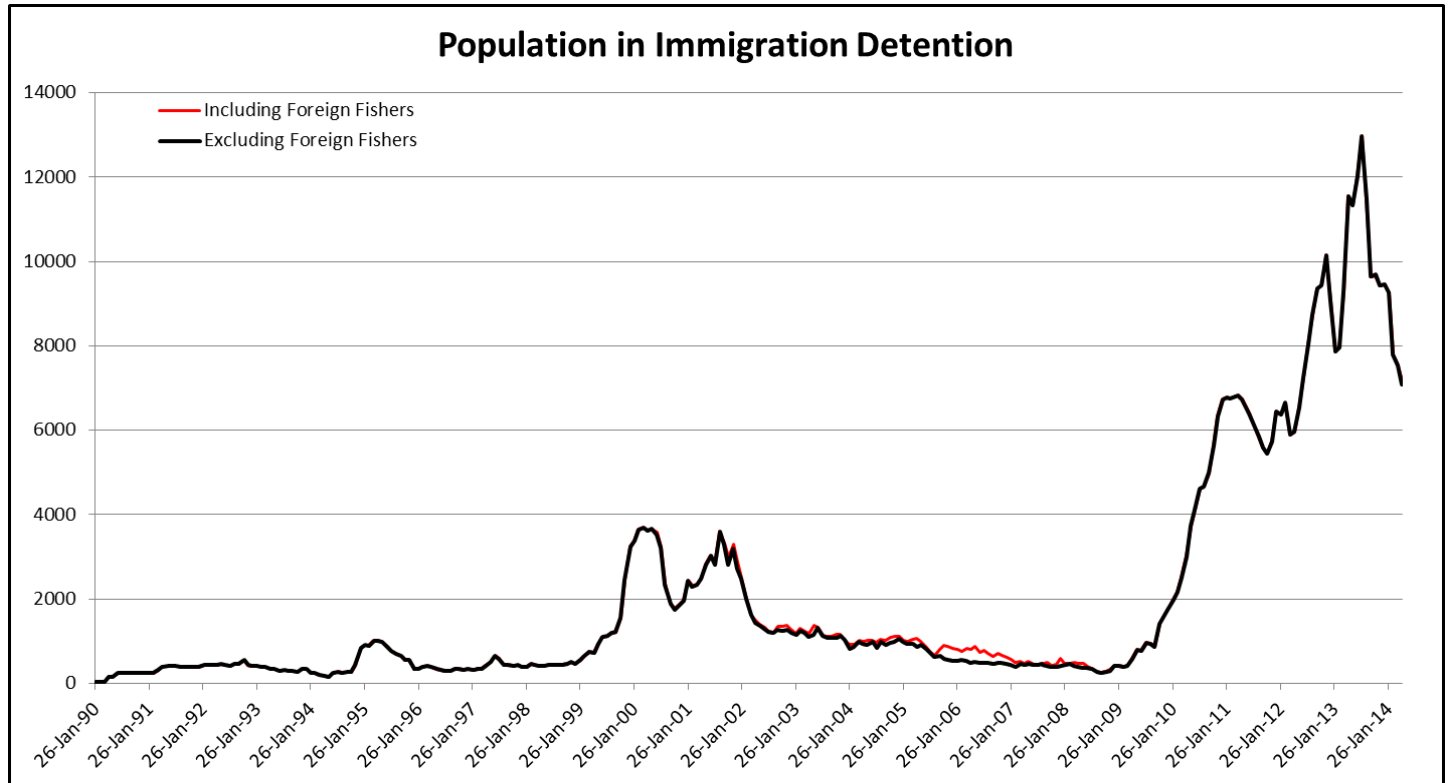
**Table 2: Community Detention Population by State/Territory**

State/Territory	Adult		Child (<18 years)		Total
	Male	Female	Male	Female	
VIC	352	271	409	229	1261
QLD	154	129	185	108	576
NSW	146	106	150	90	492
SA	62	56	83	60	261
WA	62	43	74	31	210
TAS	10	10	34	5	59
ACT	13	9	25	7	54
<b>Total</b>	<b>799</b>	<b>624</b>	<b>960</b>	<b>530</b>	<b>2913</b>

## Immigration Detention Population from 1990 to 30 April 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

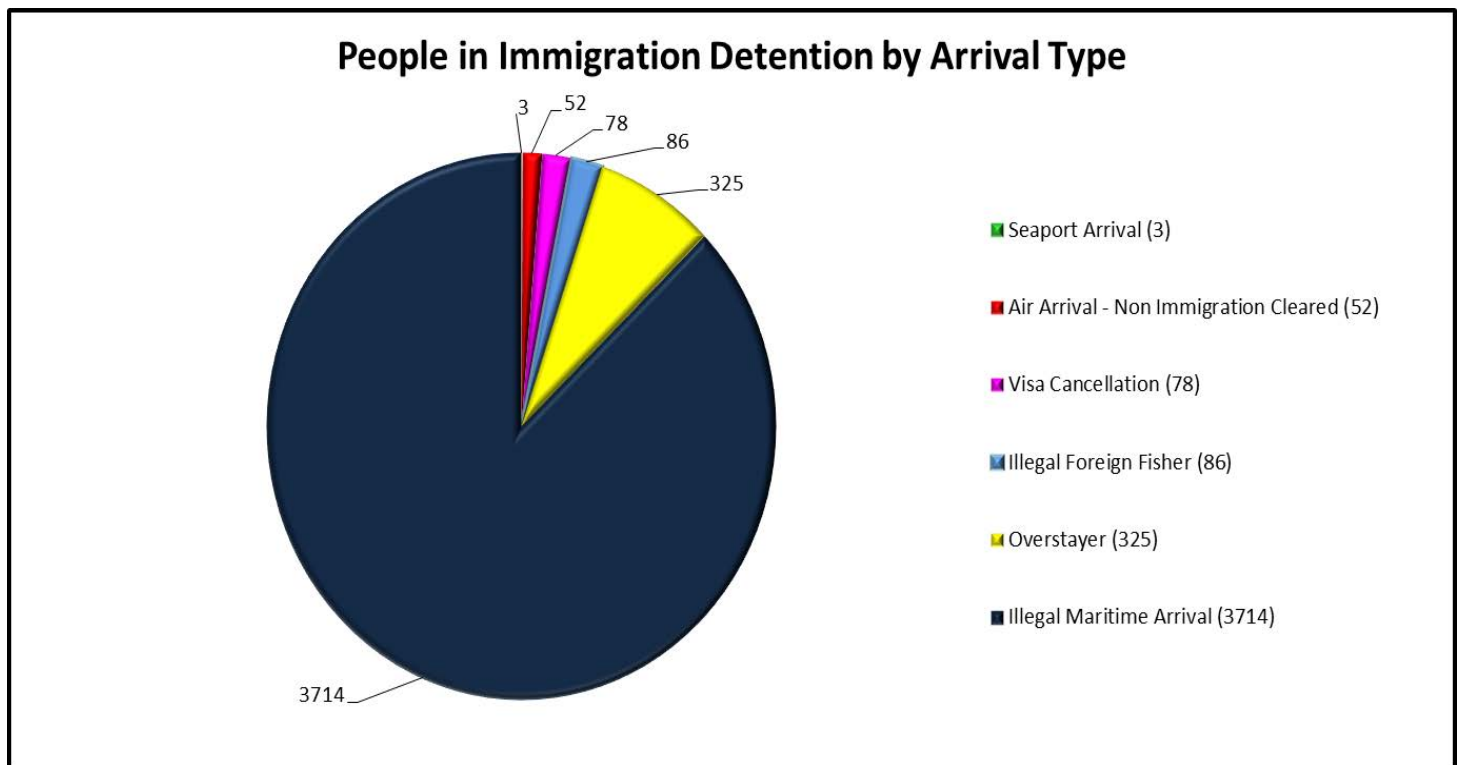


## People in Immigration Detention by Arrival Type

The number of people in immigration detention, who arrived unlawfully by air or boat as at 30 April 2014 was 3855, representing approximately 91% of the total immigration detention population.

There were also 403 people (about 9% 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 30 April 2014, there were 4258 people in held immigration detention facilities. Of these 4258 people, around 27% were from Iran, 16% were from Vietnam, 12% were from Sri Lanka, 11% were Stateless and 5% were from Afghanistan.

**Table 3 - People in Immigration Detention Facilities as at 30 April 2014**

Nationalities	Adult		Child (<18 years)		Total
	Male	Female	Male	Female	
Iran	634	245	170	114	<b>1163</b>
Vietnam	489	83	58	32	<b>662</b>
Sri Lanka	345	78	60	48	<b>531</b>
Stateless	231	76	77	77	<b>461</b>
Afghanistan	156	9	30	9	<b>204</b>
Iraq	108	25	27	20	<b>180</b>
Pakistan	153	9	8	4	<b>174</b>
China	93	26			<b>119</b>
Somalia	30	29	14	14	<b>87</b>
Other	506	100	30	41	<b>677</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>2745</b>	<b>680</b>	<b>474</b>	<b>359</b>	<b>4258</b>

As at 30 April 2014, 2913 were people living in the community after being approved for a residence determination. Of these 2913 people, around 29% were from Iran, 24% were from Sri Lanka, 14% were Stateless and 13% were from Afghanistan.

**Table 4 - People in the community under Residence Determination as at 30 April 2014**

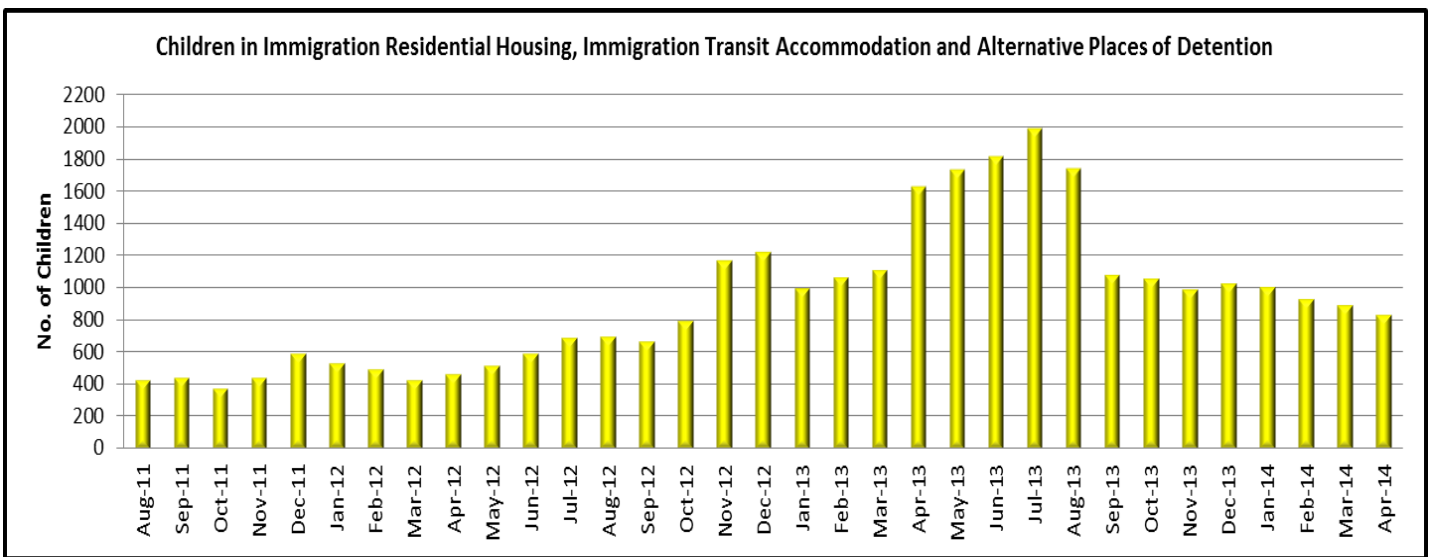
Nationalities	Adult		Child (<18 years)		Total
	Male	Female	Male	Female	
Iran	261	243	182	153	<b>839</b>
Sri Lanka	200	154	207	124	<b>685</b>
Stateless	105	83	126	84	<b>398</b>
Afghanistan	84	24	237	24	<b>369</b>
Iraq	70	38	59	37	<b>204</b>
Other	79	82	149	108	<b>418</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>799</b>	<b>624</b>	<b>960</b>	<b>530</b>	<b>2913</b>

## Children in Immigration Detention

As at 30 April 2014, there were 833 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 April as children completed mandatory processing and were transferred into the community or to an Offshore Processing Centre as part of a family group.

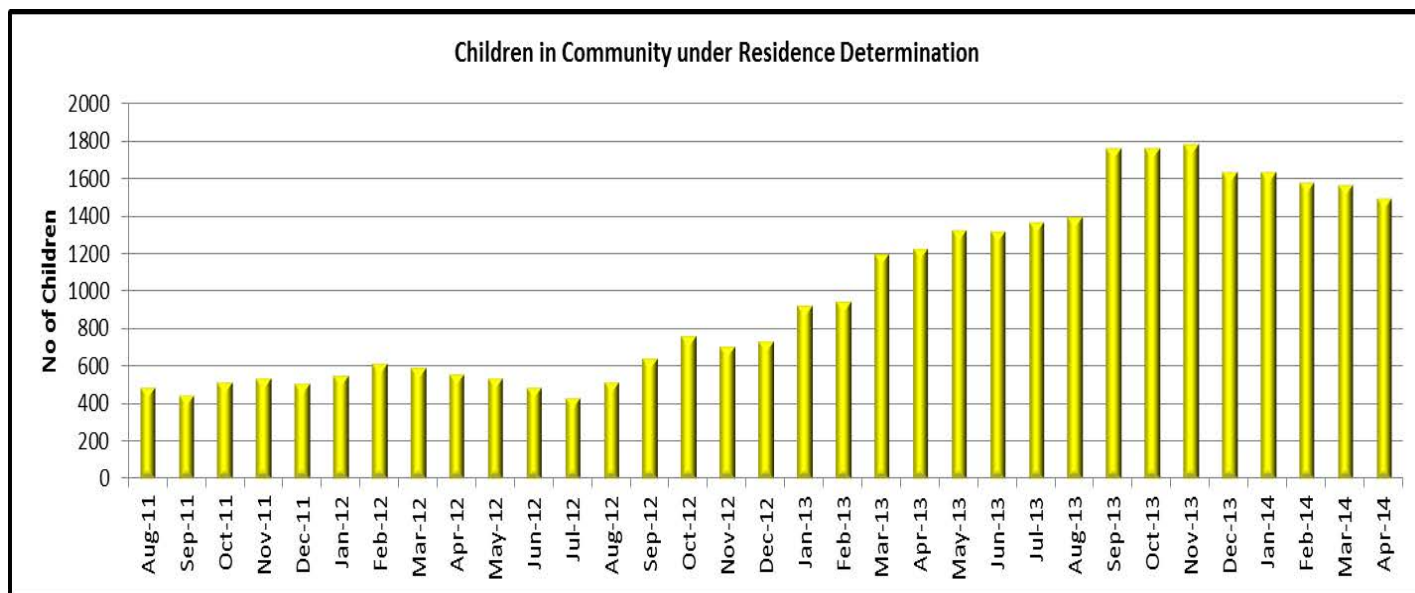
**Figure 3 - Children in Immigration Residential Housing, Immigration Transit Accommodation and Alternative Places of Detention**





The number of children living in the community after being approved for a residence determination slightly decreased in April 2014 to 1490 children.

**Figure 4 - Children in the Community under a Residence Determination**



**Table 5 - Children in Immigration Detention and in the Community as at 30 April 2014**

Placement Type	Children
Immigration Residential Housing	31
Immigration Transit Accommodation	125
Alternative Places of Detention	677
<b>Total Facility</b>	<b>833</b>
<b>Total in the Community under a Residence Determination</b>	<b>1490</b>
<b>Total in the Community on a Bridging Visa E (including people in a re-grant process)</b>	<b>1827</b>

## Time in Held Immigration Detention

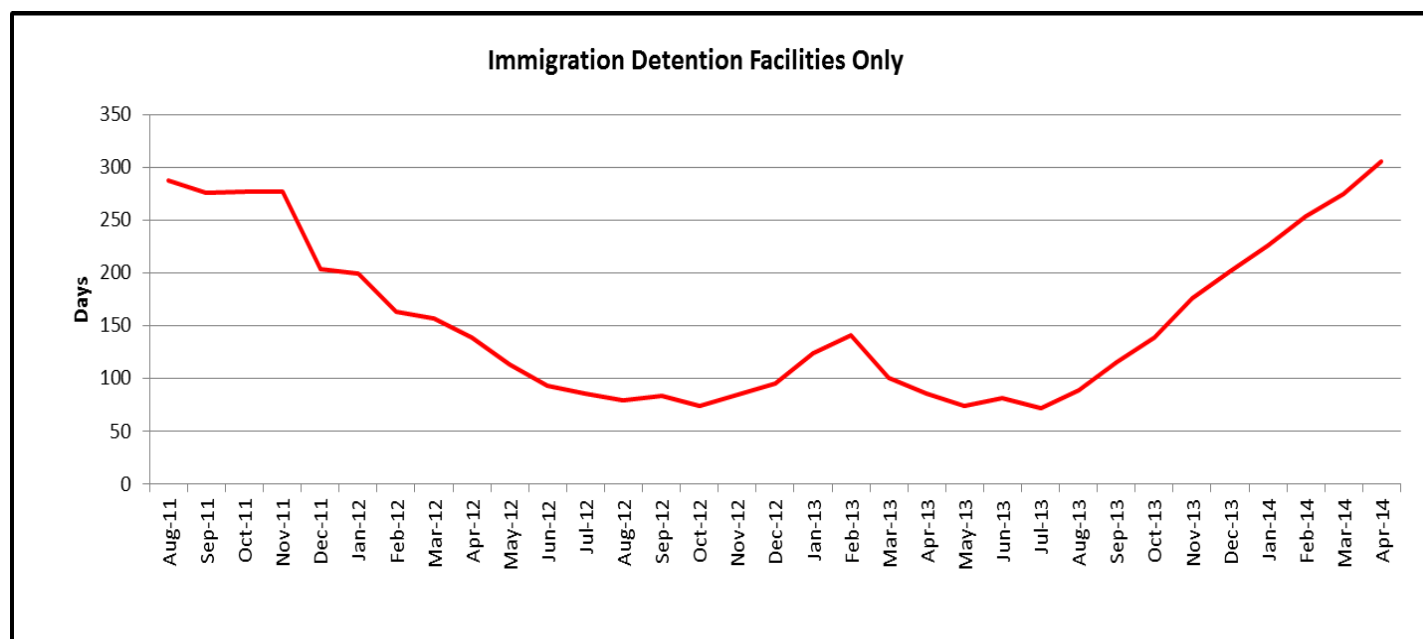
As at 30 April 2014, there were 4258 people in immigration detention facilities. Of these 4258 people, around 9% had been detained for 3 months or less and 83% had been detained for 12 months or less.

**Table 6 - Length of time in held immigration detention as at 30 April 2014**

Period Detained	Total	% of Total
7 days or less	59	1%
8 days - 31 days	82	2%
32 days - 91 days	257	6%
92 days - 182 days	308	7%
183 days - 365 days	2775	66%
366 days - 547 days	506	12%
548 days - 730 days	139	3%
Greater than 730 days	132	3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>4258</b>	<b>100%</b>

The average period of time for people held in detention facilities is steadily increasing to 305 days as at 30 April 2014.

**Figure 5 - Average days in held immigration detention facilities only**



## Time in Community Detention

Of the 2913 people in Community Detention, as at 30 April 2014, less than 1% had been detained under 3 months and 17% 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	0	0.0%
8 days - 31 days	0	0.0%
32 days - 91 days	0	0.0%
92 days - 182 days	1	0.0%
183 days - 365 days	485	17%
366 days - 547 days	889	31%
548 days - 730 days	1045	35%
Greater than 730 days	493	17%
<b>Total</b>	<b>2913</b>	<b>100%</b>

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