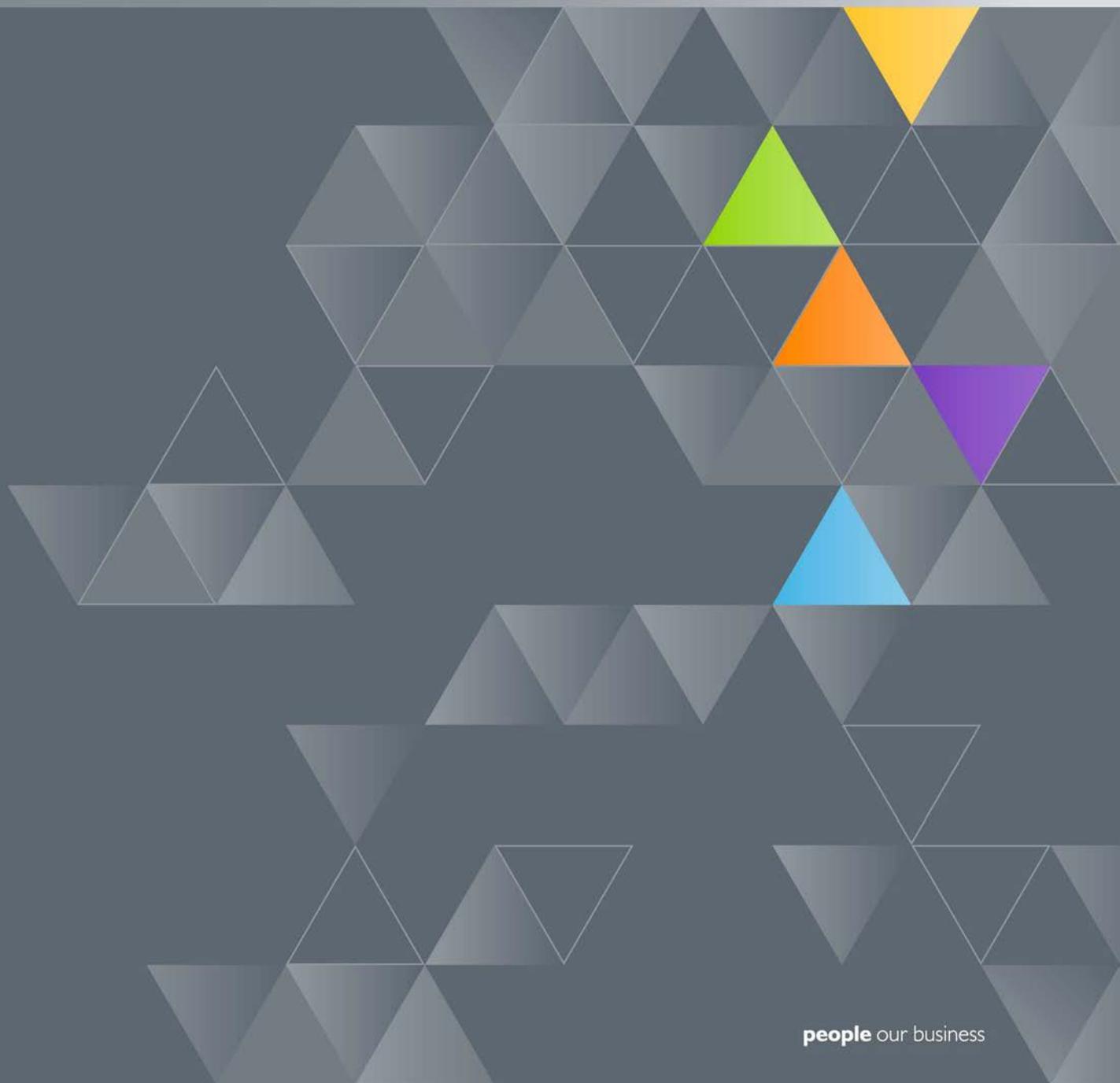




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Immigration Detention and Community Statistics Summary

31 December 2014



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.

Further information about immigration detention is available at: <http://www.immi.gov.au/About/Pages/detention/about-immigration-detention.aspx>

Enquiries

Comments or enquiries concerning this report should be sent using the department's client service feedback form quoting the name and date of the report.

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 December 2014, there were 2757 people in immigration detention facilities, including 2260 in immigration detention on the mainland and 497 in immigration detention on Christmas Island.

A further 3097 people were living in the community after being approved for a residence determination and 25569 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
					30/11/2014
Christmas Island Immigration Detention Centre	497	0	0	497	-20
Curtin Immigration Detention Centre	0	0	0		0
Maribyrnong Immigration Detention Centre	117	6	0	123	+7
Perth Immigration Detention Centre	37	5	0	42	-2
Villawood Immigration Detention Centre	297	40	0	337	+15
Wickham Point Immigration Detention Centre	242	0	0	242	-70
Yongah Hill Immigration Detention Centre	327	6	0	333	-52
Alternative Places of Detention (Christmas Island and Cocos Keeling Island)	0	0	0		-216
Alternative Places of Detention (Mainland)	236	281	333	850	-32
Total Immigration Detention Centres/APODs	1753	338	333	2424	-370
Perth Immigration Residential Housing	4	7	12	23	+5
Sydney Immigration Residential Housing	3	14	18	35	-8
Adelaide Immigration Transit Accommodation	22	9	0	31	-2
Brisbane Immigration Transit Accommodation	31	10	8	49	-11
Melbourne Immigration Transit Accommodation	97	49	49	195	-33
Total in Immigration Residential Housing and Immigration Transit Accommodation	157	89	87	333	-49
Total Facility	1910	427	420	2757	-419
Total Community under Residence Determination	818	723	1556	3097	-14
Total Community on Bridging Visa E (Including people in a re-grant process)	20835	2529	2205	25569	+ 489
Republic of Nauru	596	164	135	895	-101
Manus Province, Papua New Guinea	1035	0	0	1035	-9
Total Offshore Processing Centres	1631	164	135	1930	-110

Community Population by State/Territory

Of the 3097 people approved for a residence determination to live in the community, 38.9% are in Victoria, 22.9% in Queensland, 16.6% in New South Wales, 9.2% in Western Australia, 8.4% in South Australia, 2.0 % in the Australian Capital Territory and 1.7% in Tasmania..

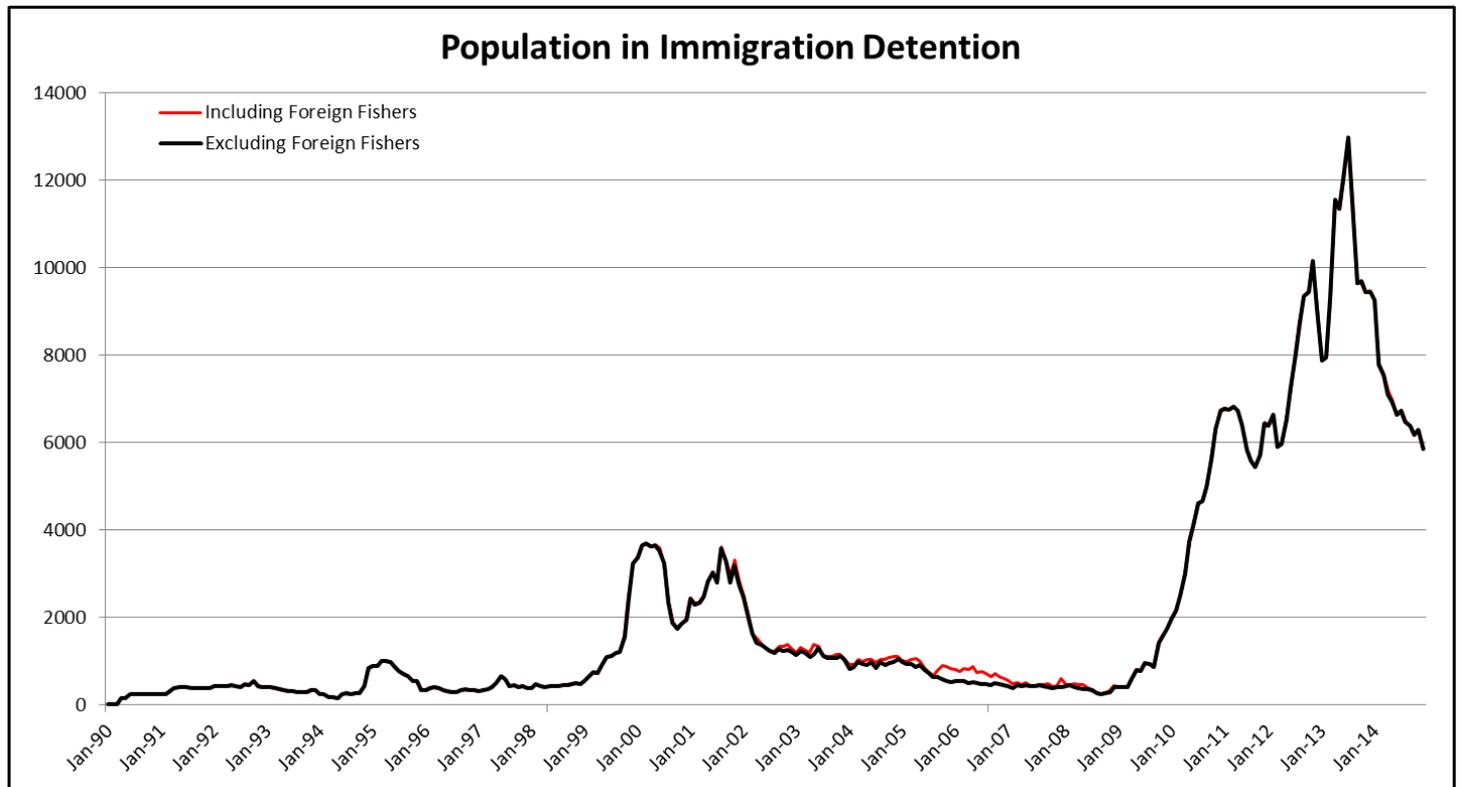
Table 2: Community Detention Population by State/Territory as at 31 December 2014

State/Territory	Adult		Child (<18 years)		Total
	Male	Female	Male	Female	
VIC	309	279	341	278	1207
QLD	184	172	206	150	712
NSW	140	121	148	106	515
WA	82	68	83	53	286
SA	65	60	69	67	261
ACT	21	12	17	12	62
TAS	17	11	19	7	54
Total	818	723	883	673	3097

Immigration Detention Population from 1990 to 31 December 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

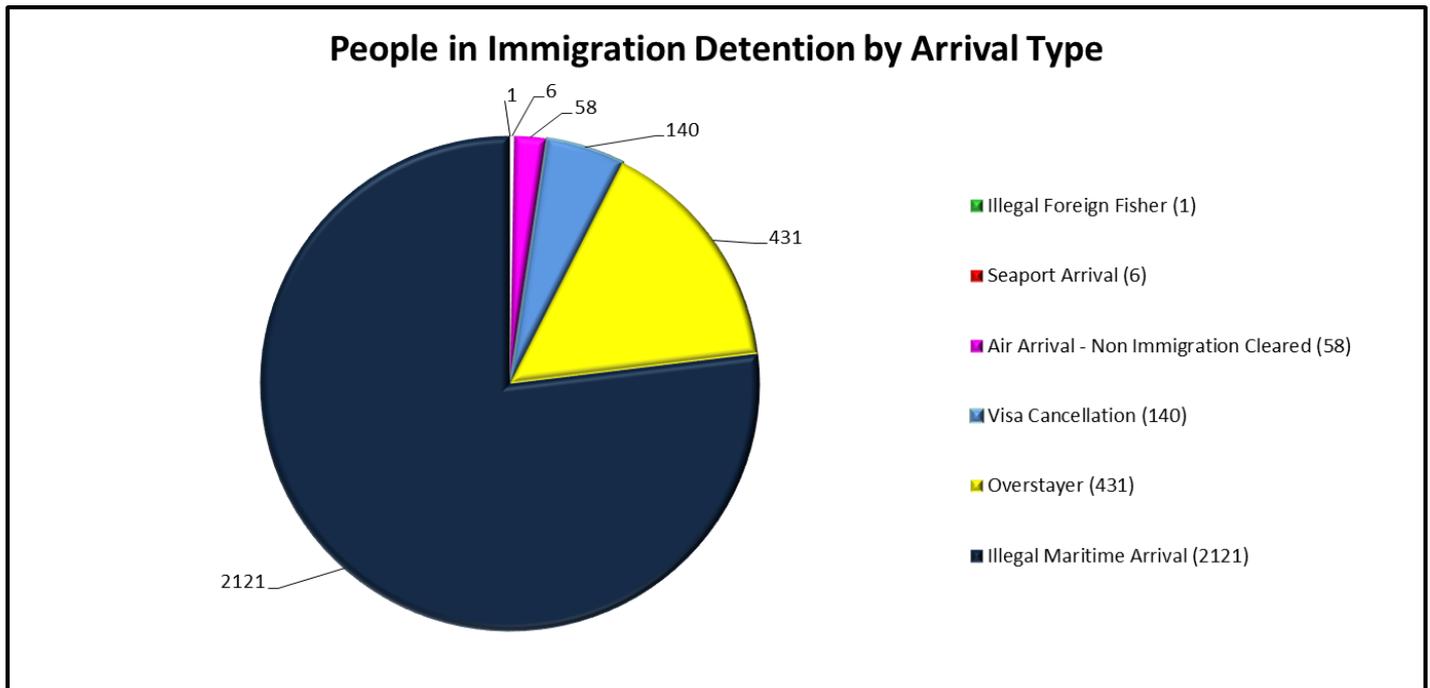


People in Immigration Detention Facilities by Arrival Type

The number of people in immigration detention facilities, who arrived unlawfully by air or boat as at 31 December 2014 was 2186, representing approximately 79% of the total immigration detention population.

There were also 571 people (about 21% 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 December 2014, there were 2757 people in held immigration detention facilities. Of these 2757 people, around 30% were from Iran, 11.6% were Stateless, 7.5% were from Sri Lanka, 6.1% were from Vietnam and 5.8% were from Afghanistan.

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

Nationalities	Adult		Child (<18 years)		Total
	Male	Female	Male	Female	
Iran	481	173	104	70	828
Stateless	167	49	54	50	320
Sri Lanka	164	22	11	9	206
Vietnam	135	17	5	10	167
Afghanistan	132	8	16	5	161
China	109	33	1	0	143
Pakistan	109	2	5	1	117
Iraq	77	13	12	12	114
Malaysia	56	21	1	1	79
Other	480	89	26	27	622
Total	1910	427	235	185	2757

As at 31 December 2014, 3097 were people living in the community after being approved for a residence determination. Of these 3097 people, around 28.7% were from Iran, 23.3% were from Sri Lanka, 13.9% were Stateless and 9% were from Afghanistan.

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

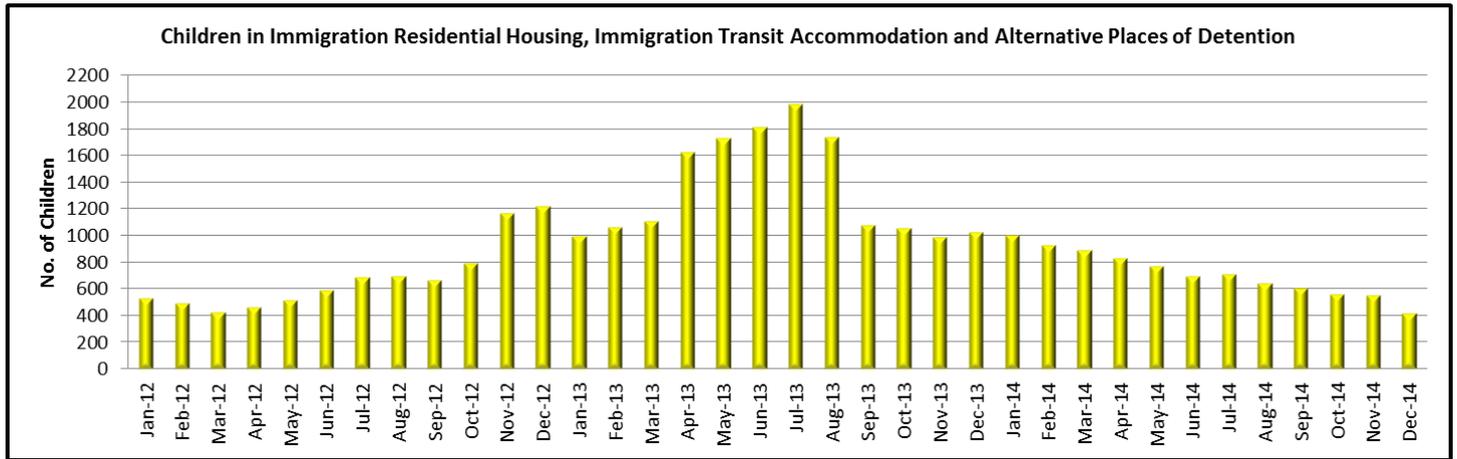
Nationalities	Adult		Child (<18 years)		Total
	Male	Female	Male	Female	
Iran	250	256	209	174	889
Sri Lanka	186	173	201	162	722
Stateless	104	87	128	111	430
Afghanistan	109	26	119	25	279
Vietnam	60	50	66	54	230
Other	109	131	160	147	547
Total	818	723	883	673	3097

Children in Immigration Detention

As at 31 December 2014, there were 420 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 December due to children completing mandatory processing and being transferred into the community.

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 December 2014 to 1556 children.

Figure 4 – Children in the community under Residence Determination

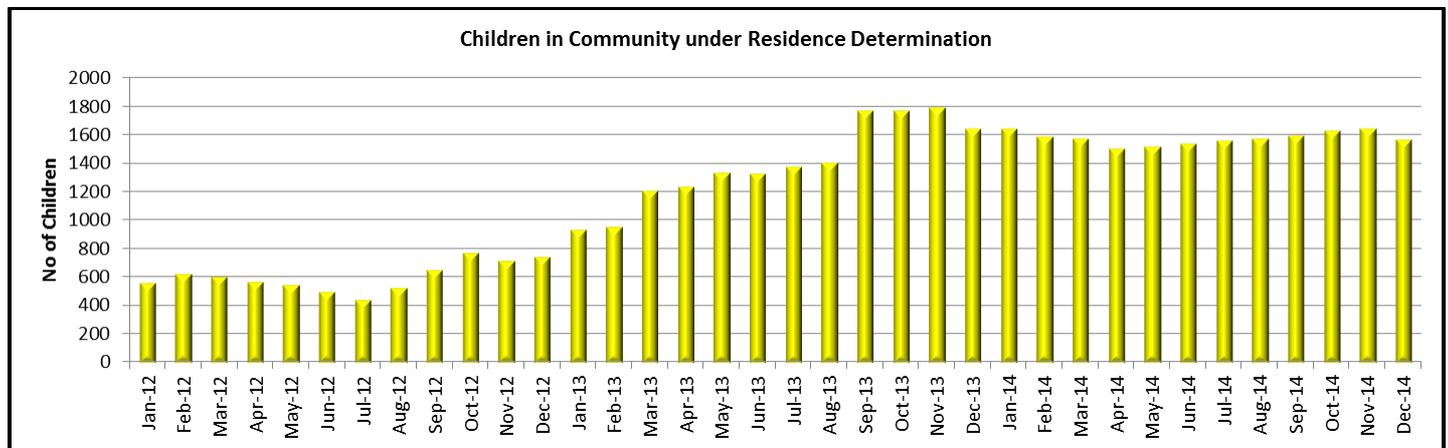


Table 5 - Children in Immigration Detention and in the Community as at 31 December 2014

Placement Type	Children
Immigration Residential Housing	30
Immigration Transit Accommodation	57
Alternative Places of Detention	333
Total Facility	420
Total in the Community under a Residence Determination	1556
Total in the Community on a Bridging Visa E (including people in a re-grant process)	2205

Time in Immigration Detention Facilities

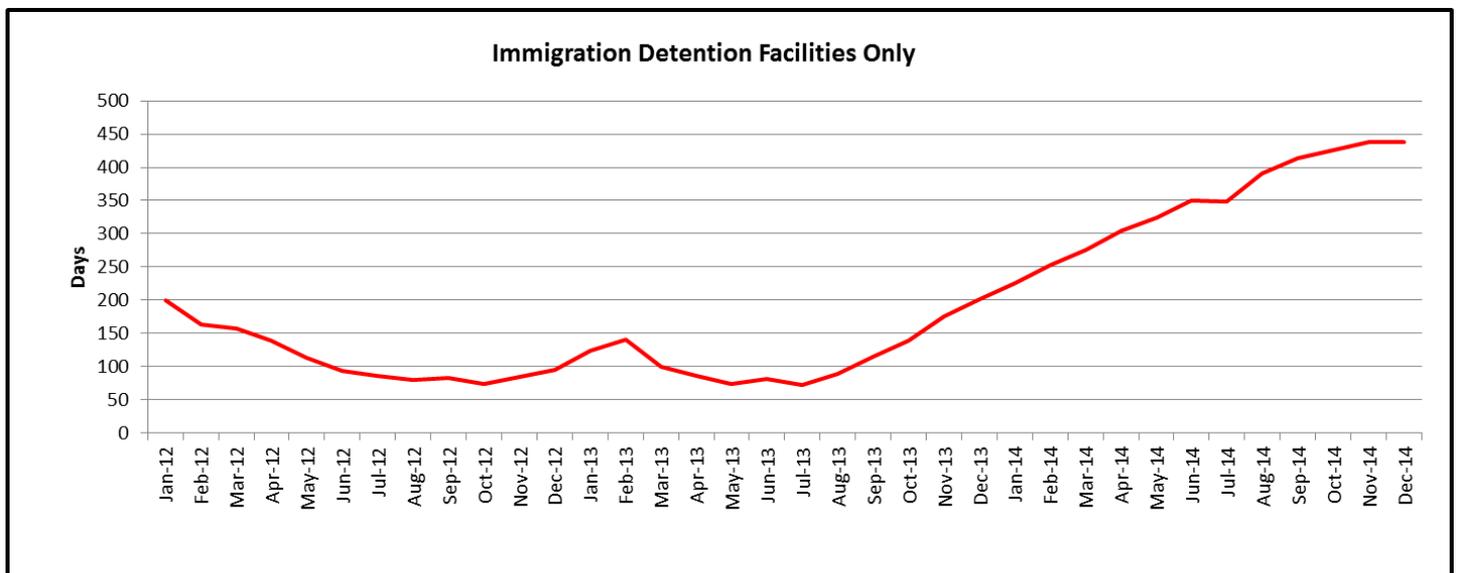
As at 31 December 2014, there were 2757 people in immigration detention facilities. Of these 2757 people, around 14% had been detained for 3 months or less and 35% had been detained for 12 months or less.

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

Period Detained	Total	% of Total
7 days or less	46	1.7%
8 days - 31 days	176	6.4%
32 days - 91 days	165	6.0%
92 days - 182 days	173	6.3%
183 days - 365 days	404	14.7%
366 days - 547 days	1353	49.0%
548 days - 730 days	219	7.9%
Greater than 730 days	221	8.0%
Total	2757	100.0%

The average period of time for people held in detention facilities has remained the same as last month at 438 days as at 31 December 2014.

Figure 5 - Average days in immigration detention facilities only



Time in Community Detention

Of the 3097 people in Community Detention, as at 31 December 2014, 6.5% had been detained under 3 months and 31.7% 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	45	1.4%
32 days - 91 days	157	5.1%
92 days - 182 days	235	7.6%
183 days - 365 days	544	17.6%
366 days - 547 days	583	18.8%
548 days - 730 days	1062	34.3%
Greater than 730 days	471	15.2%
Total	3097	100.0%