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Immigration Detention Statistics Summary

30 June 2013



About this report

This report provides an overview of the number of people in immigration detention in Australia 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: www.immi.gov.au/managing-australias-borders/detention.

Further information about alternative places of detention is available at: <http://www.immi.gov.au/managing-australias-borders/detention/facilities/map-operational-facilities.pdf>.

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Immigration Detention Statistics Summary

As at: 30 June 2013

There were 9256 people in immigration detention facilities and alternative places of detention, including 6743 in immigration detention on the mainland and 2513 in immigration detention on Christmas Island as at 30 June 2013.

Separately, 2771 people have been approved for a residence determination to live in the community.

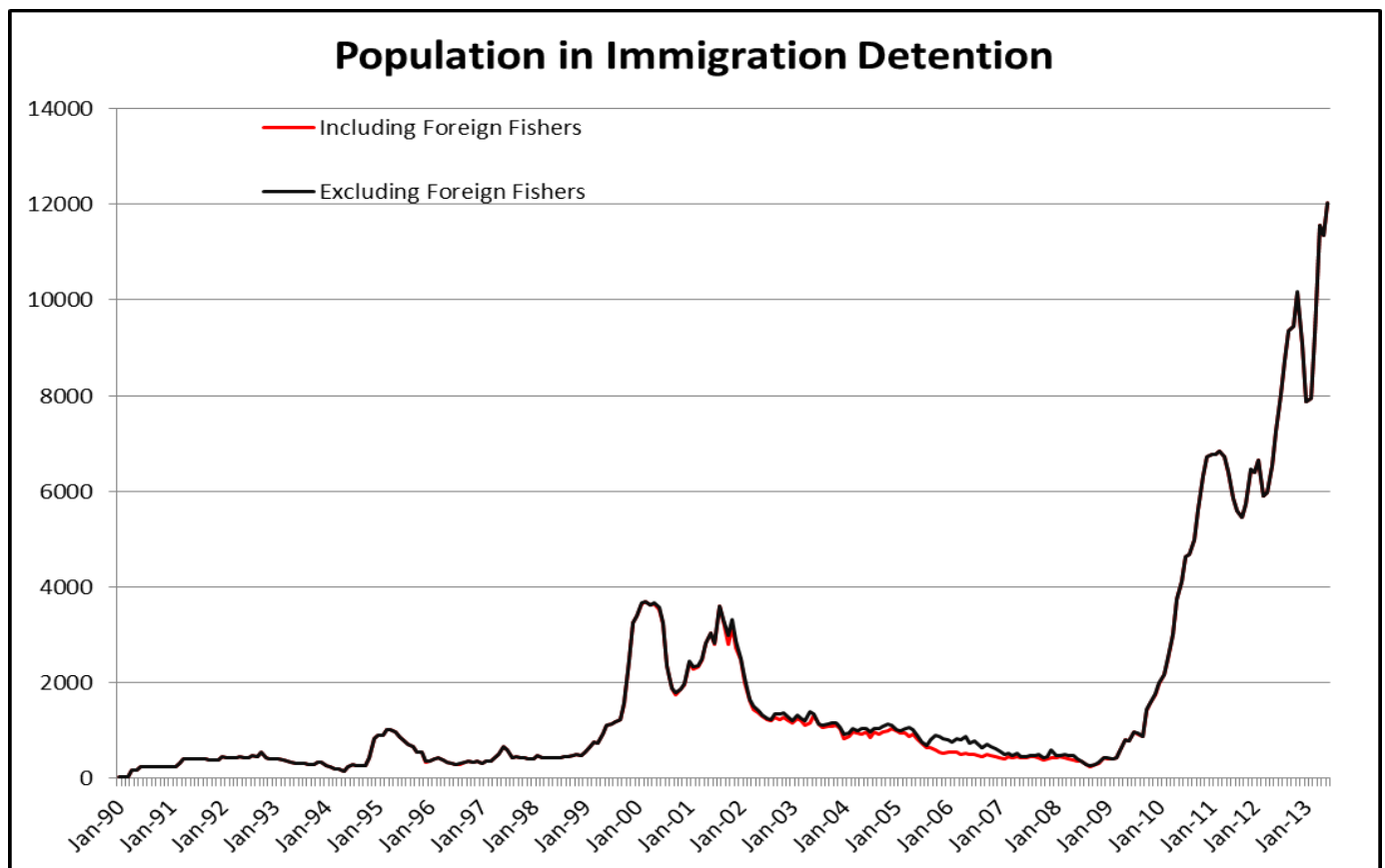
Table 1 –People in Immigration Detention Facilities and Alternative Places of Detention

Place of immigration detention	Men	Women	Children	Total	Change from Previous Summary 31/05/2013
Christmas Island Immigration Detention Centre	1046			1046	- 192
Curtin Immigration Detention Centre	901			901	+ 90
Maribyrnong Immigration Detention Centre	77	9		86	- 5
Northern Immigration Detention Centre (Darwin)	493			493	- 42
Perth Immigration Detention Centre	29	4		33	- 8
Scherger Immigration Detention Centre	420			420	+ 203
Villawood Immigration Detention Centre	376	67		443	+ 62
Wickham Point Immigration Detention Centre	1167			1167	+ 224
Yongah Hill Immigration Detention Centre	536			536	+ 108
Total in Immigration Detention Centre's	5045	80		5125	+ 440
Perth Immigration Residential Housing	3	6	10	19	0
Port Augusta Immigration Residential Housing	19	20	26	65	+ 3
Sydney Immigration Residential Housing	7	9	19	35	- 2
Adelaide Immigration Transit Accommodation	22	5		27	+ 14
Brisbane Immigration Transit Accommodation	27	11	25	63	+ 14
Melbourne Immigration Transit Accommodation	124	70	95	289	+ 12
Total in Immigration Residential Housing and Immigration Transit Accommodation	202	121	175	498	+ 41
Alternative Places of Detention (Christmas Island and Cocos Keeling Island)	383	499	585	1467	- 66
Alternative Places of Detention (Mainland)	473	633	1060	2166	+ 320
Restricted on Board Vessels in Port					0
Total	6103	1333	1820	9256	+ 735
People in Community under Residence Determination	838	614	1319	2771	- 49

Immigration Detention Population from 1990 to 30 June 2013

The number of people in immigration detention month to month continues to fluctuate, predominantly due to the changing pattern of unauthorised maritime arrivals. The number of unauthorised maritime arrivals in December 2012 and January 2013 were down compared to the preceding 11 months. Arrivals since February 2013 have increased and contributed to the high number of people in immigration detention.

Figure 1 - Population in Immigration Detention

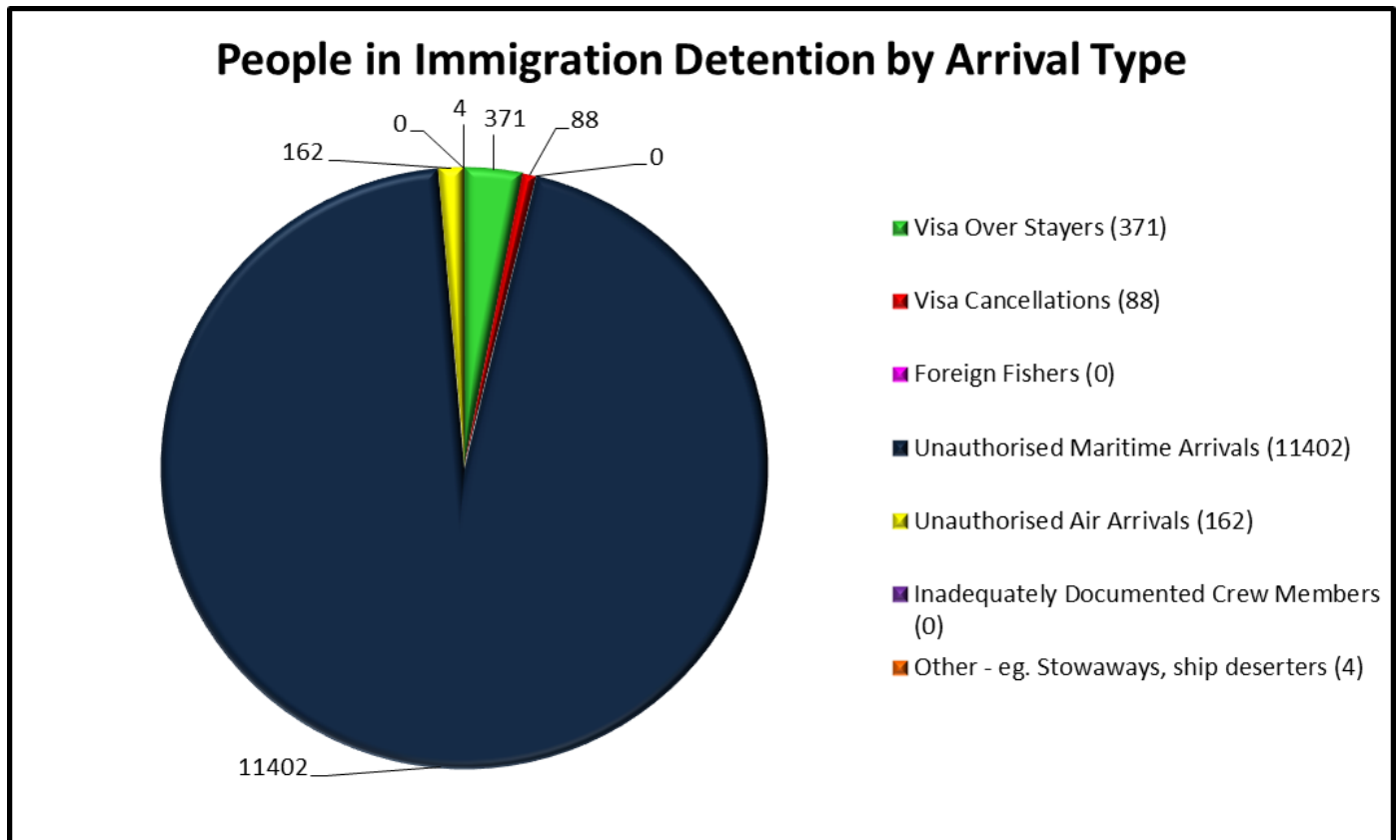


People in Immigration Detention by Arrival Type

The number of people in immigration detention, who arrived unlawfully by air or boat as at 30 June 2013 was 11,568. This represents about 96% of the total immigration detention population.

There were also 459 people (about 4% of the total immigration population) who arrived in Australia lawfully and were subsequently taken into immigration detention for either overstaying or breaching their visa conditions, resulting in visa cancellations.

Figure 2 - People in Immigration Detention by Arrival Type



People in Immigration Detention by Nationality

Of the 9256 people in immigration detention facilities and alternative places of detention as at 30 June 2013 around 28% were Iranian nationals, 17% were Sri Lankan nationals and 11% were Afghan nationals.

Table 2 - People in Immigration Detention Facilities and Alternative Places of Detention as at 30 June 2013

Nationalities	Adult		Child (<18 years)		Total
	Male	Female	Male	Female	
Iran	1632	539	250	169	2590
Sri Lanka	890	273	267	161	1591
Afghanistan	710	39	224	45	1018
Pakistan	354	16	34	9	413
Iraq	285	49	46	26	406
Vietnam	382	73	118	39	612
Bangladesh	233		2		235
Indonesia	245	21	23	3	292
China, Peoples Republic Of	111	30	1		142
Myanmar	11	6	4	3	24
Other	1250	287	233	163	1933
Total	6103	1333	1202	618	9256

Of the 2771 people approved to live in the community under residence determination, as at 30 June 2013 around 32% were Iranian nationals, 23% were Sri Lankan nationals and 13% were Afghan nationals.

Table 3 - People in the Community under a Residence Determination as at 30 June 2013

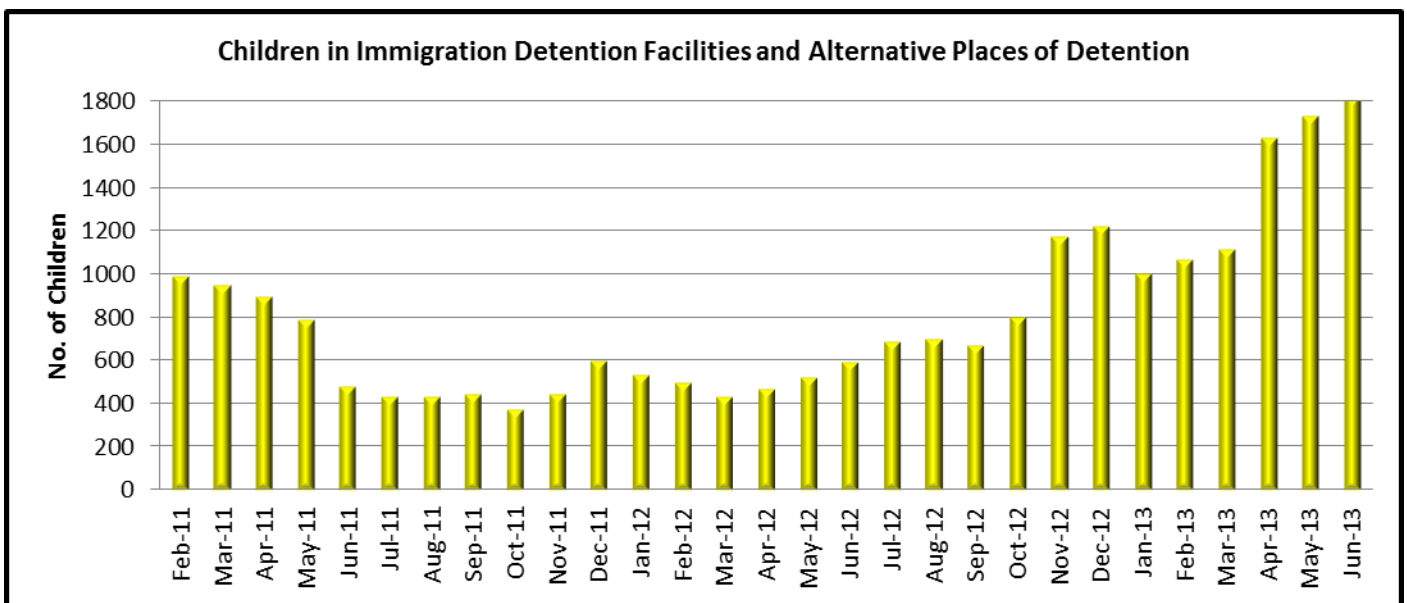
Nationalities	Adult		Child (<18 years)		Total
	Male	Female	Male	Female	
Iran	283	259	182	162	886
Sri Lanka	201	132	196	107	636
Afghanistan	96	31	220	26	373
Iraq	73	42	60	36	211
Palestinian Authority	19	20	19	27	85
Other	166	130	166	118	580
Total	838	614	843	476	2771

Children in Immigration Detention

As at 30 June 2013 there were 1820 children (aged under 18 years) in immigration detention facilities and alternative places of detention.

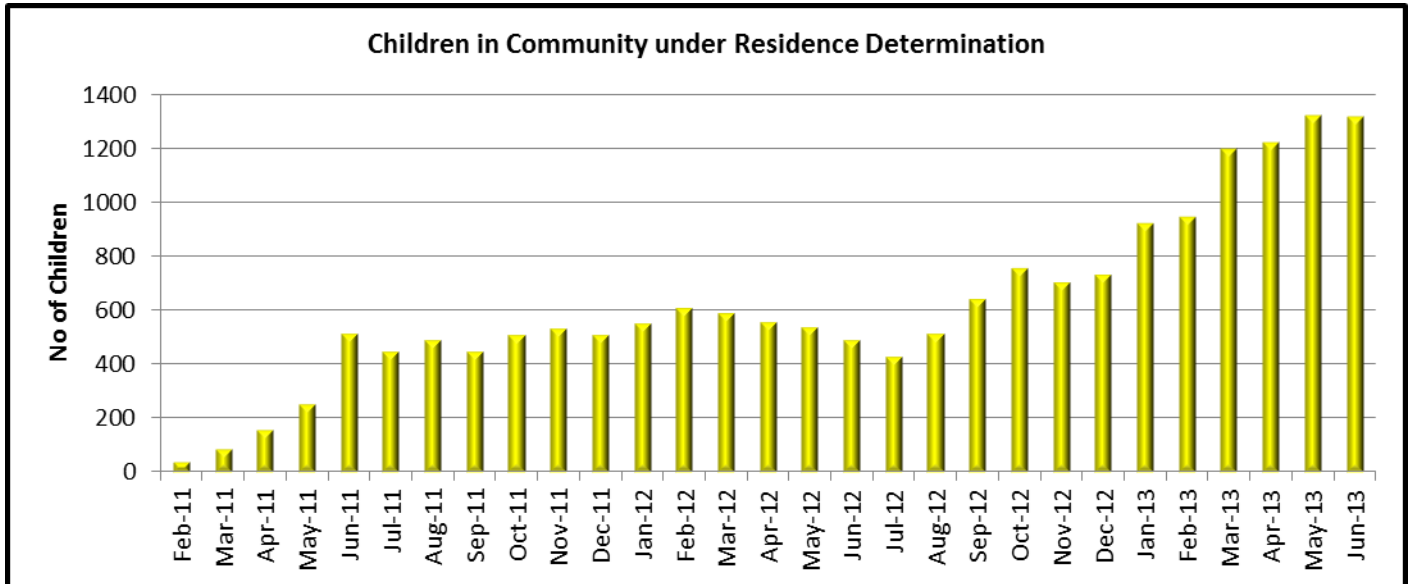
The increase in the number of children in immigration detention facilities in November and December 2012 was due to a rapid increase in unauthorised maritime arrivals from October to November 2012. The number of children in immigration detention facilities reduced in January and February 2013 as children completed mandatory processing and were transferred into the community. Because of the high number of recent arrivals over the past three months, children in immigration detention facilities and alternate places of detention has again increased.

Figure 3 - Children in Immigration Detention Facilities and Alternative Places of Detention



The number of children approved to live in the community under a residence determination has been maintained at a high level. This reflects the Government's policy of placing children in the community as soon as possible after the completion of mandatory checks.

Figure 4 - Children in the Community under a Residence Determination



As at 30 June 2013, 1820 children remain in immigration detention while undergoing initial processing. 1319 children were approved under residence determination for community placement.

Table 4 - Children in Immigration Detention as at 30 June 2013

Placement Type	Children
Immigration Residential Housing	55
Immigration Transit Accommodation	120
Alternative Places of Detention	1645
Total Facility and APOD	1820
Total in community under a Residence Determination	1319

Time in Held Immigration Detention

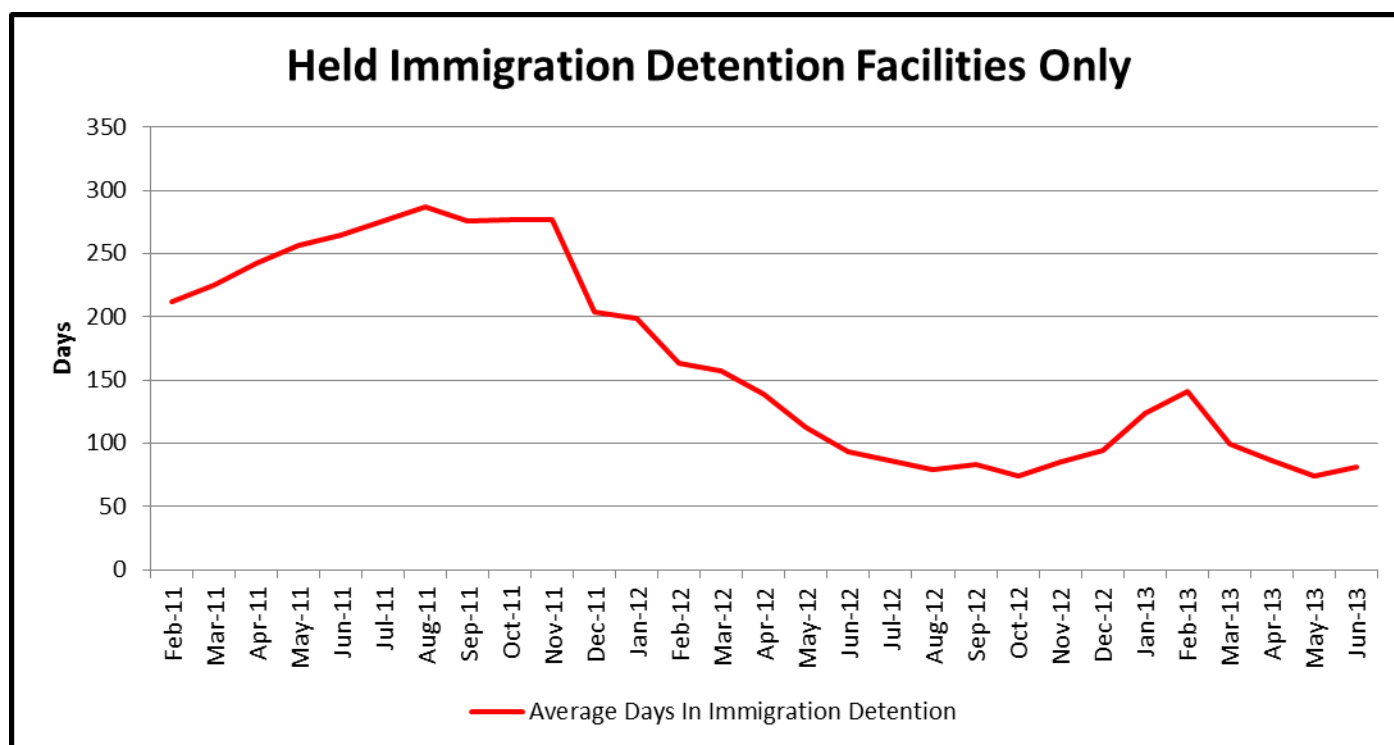
Of the 9256 people in held immigration detention as at 30 June 2013, around 84% had been detained for three months or less and 98% had been detained for 12 months or less.

Table 5 - Length of Time in held immigration detention as at 30 June 2013

Period Detained	Total	% of Total
7 days or less	71	1
8 days - 31 days	2619	28
32 days - 91 days	5101	55
92 days - 182 days	720	8
183 days - 365 days	539	6
366 days - 547 days	71	1
548 days - 730 days	22	0
Greater than 730 days	113	1
Total	9256	100

The average period of time for people held in immigration detention facilities has significantly decreased from 277 days in November 2011 to 81 days as at 30 June 2013.

Figure 5 - Average Days in Held Immigration Detention Facilities Only



Time in Community Detention

Of the 2771 people in Community Detention as at 30 June 2013 around 1% had been detained for three months or less and 74% had been detained for 12 months or less.

Table 6 - Length of Time in Community Detention as at 30 June 2013

Period Detained	Total	% of Total
7 days or less	1	0
8 days - 31 days	3	0
32 days - 91 days	10	0
92 days - 182 days	120	4
183 days - 365 days	1913	69
366 days - 547 days	292	11
548 days - 730 days	100	4
Greater than 730 days	332	12
Total	2771	100