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Immigration Detention and Community Statistics Summary

30 November 2013



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.

Note: Bridging Visa figures in this report only relate to illegal maritime arrivals.

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Immigration Detention and Community Statistics Summary

As at: 30 November 2013

There were 6101 people in immigration detention facilities and alternative places of detention, including 3916 in immigration detention on the mainland and 2185 in immigration detention on Christmas Island as at 30 November 2013.

Separately, 3330 people are living in the community after being approved for a residence determination and 22 773 are 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 31/10/2013
Christmas Island Immigration Detention Centre	1120			1120	- 101
Curtin Immigration Detention Centre	736			736	+ 47
Maribyrnong Immigration Detention Centre	80	11		91	+ 15
Northern Immigration Detention Centre (Darwin)	164			164	- 15
Perth Immigration Detention Centre	36	12		48	+ 3
Scherger Immigration Detention Centre	229			229	- 1
Villawood Immigration Detention Centre	337	50		387	- 29
Wickham Point Immigration Detention Centre	148			148	- 12
Yongah Hill Immigration Detention Centre	502			502	- 69
Total in Immigration Detention Centres	3352	73		3425	- 162
Perth Immigration Residential Housing	5	1	4	10	- 1
Port Augusta Immigration Residential Housing	9	8	3	20	- 12
Sydney Immigration Residential Housing	5	10	21	36	- 8
Adelaide Immigration Transit Accommodation	27	3		30	+ 1
Brisbane Immigration Transit Accommodation	28	20	15	63	+ 1
Melbourne Immigration Transit Accommodation	155	97	64	316	+ 2
Total in Immigration Residential Housing and Immigration Transit Accommodation	229	139	107	475	- 17
Alternative Places of Detention (Christmas Island and Cocos Keeling Island)	259	385	421	1065	- 43
Alternative Places of Detention (Mainland)	292	382	462	1136	- 78
Restricted on Board Vessels in Port					0
Total Facility and APOD	4132	979	990	6101	- 300
Total Community under Residence Determination	881	670	1779	3330	+ 40
Total Community on Bridging Visa E (Including people in a re-grant process)	18842	2133	1798	22773	- 100

Offshore Processing Centres	Men	Women	Children	Total	Change from Previous Summary 31/10/2013
Republic of Nauru	404	173	109	686	+ 95
Manus Province, Papua New Guinea	1139			1139	+ 2
Total Offshore Processing Centres	1543	173	109	1825	+ 97

Community Population by State/Territory

Of the 3330 people approved for a residence determination to live in the community, 42% are situated in Victoria, 19% in Queensland, 18% in New South Wales, 9% in South Australia, 9% in Western Australia, and 2% in Tasmania and the Australian Capital Territory.

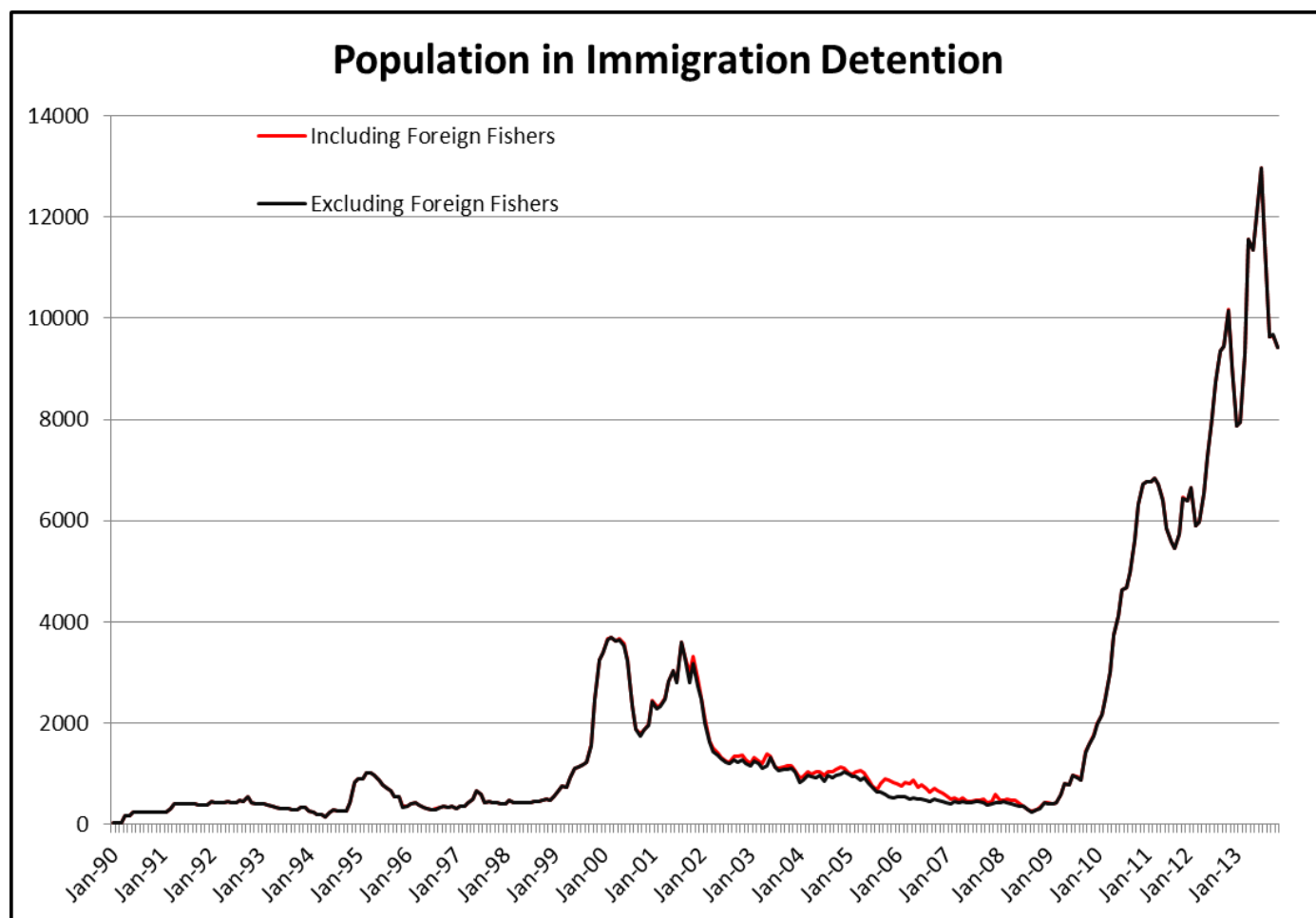
Table 2: Community Detention Population by State/Territory

State/Territory	Adult		Child (<18 years)		Total
	Male	Female	Male	Female	
ACT	15	9	26	6	56
NSW	176	117	211	95	599
QLD	165	137	220	110	632
SA	67	59	112	58	296
TAS	12	9	47	4	72
VIC	367	282	519	221	1389
WA	79	57	110	40	286
Total	881	670	1245	534	3330

Immigration Detention Population from 1990 to 30 November 2013

The number of people in immigration detention month to month continues to fluctuate, predominantly due to the changing pattern of illegal maritime arrivals. The number of illegal maritime arrivals in October 2013 were down by 36% compared to the previous month.

Figure 1 - Population in Immigration Detention

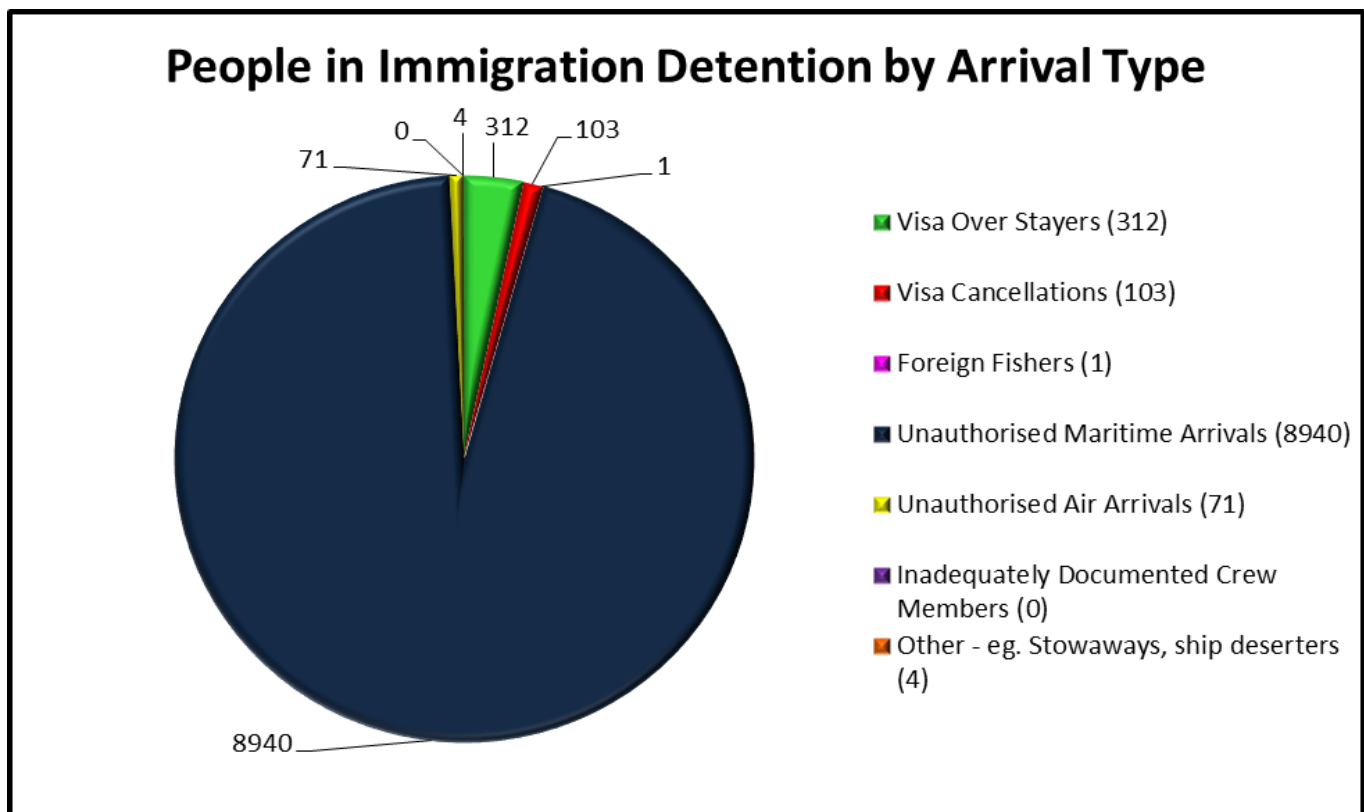


People in Immigration Detention by Arrival Type

The number of people in immigration detention, who arrived unlawfully by air or boat as at 30 November 2013 was 9016. This represents about 96% of the total immigration detention population.

There were also 415 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 6101 people in immigration detention facilities and alternative places of detention as at 30 November 2013 around 29% were Iranian nationals, 16% were Sri Lankan nationals, 11% were Vietnamese nationals, 6% were Afghan nationals and 6% were Pakistani nationals.

Table 3 - People in Immigration Detention Facilities and Alternative Places of Detention as at 30 November 2013

Nationalities	Adult		Child (<18 years)		Total
	Male	Female	Male	Female	
Iran	992	430	202	146	1770
Sri Lanka	695	129	99	58	981
Vietnam	461	91	68	38	658
Afghanistan	329	8	47	9	393
Pakistan	325	12	16	6	359
Iraq	194	26	26	16	262
China, Peoples Republic Of	71	23			94
Bangladesh	104	1			105
Indonesia	45	18		2	65
Myanmar	19	5	7	11	42
Other	897	236	118	121	1372
Total	4132	979	583	407	6101

Of the 3330 people living in the community after being approved for a residence determination, as at 30 November 2013 around 27% were Iranian nationals, 24% were Sri Lankan nationals, 17% were Afghan nationals and 7% were Iraqi nationals.

Table 4 - People in the community under Residence Determination as at 30 November 2013

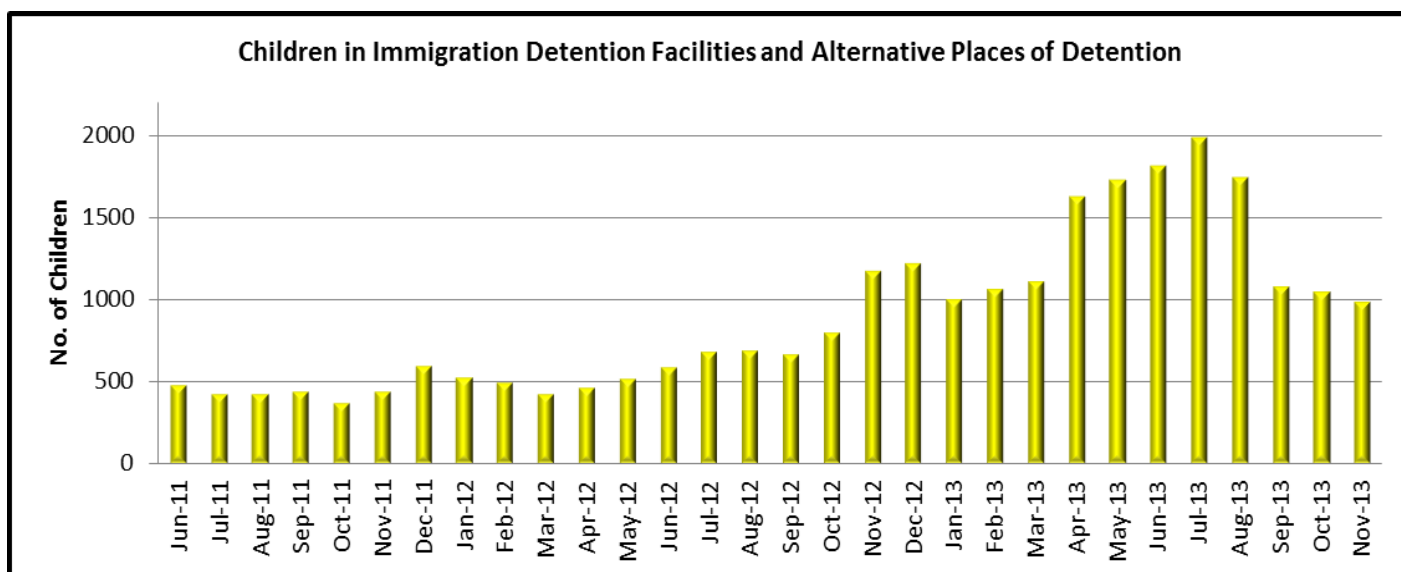
Nationalities	Adult		Child (<18 years)		Total
	Male	Female	Male	Female	
Iran	287	252	201	154	894
Sri Lanka	241	174	243	140	798
Afghanistan	93	33	420	30	576
Iraq	76	43	70	37	226
Palestinian Authority	16	20	18	23	77
Other	168	148	293	150	759
Total	881	670	1245	534	3330

Children in Immigration Detention

As at 30 November 2013 there were 990 children (aged under 18 years) in immigration detention facilities and alternative places of detention.

The number of children in immigration detention facilities reduced in November 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 Detention Facilities and Alternative Places of Detention



The number of children living in the community after being approved for a residence determination has been maintained at a high level with an increase in November 2013 to 1779 children.

Figure 4 - Children in the Community under a Residence Determination

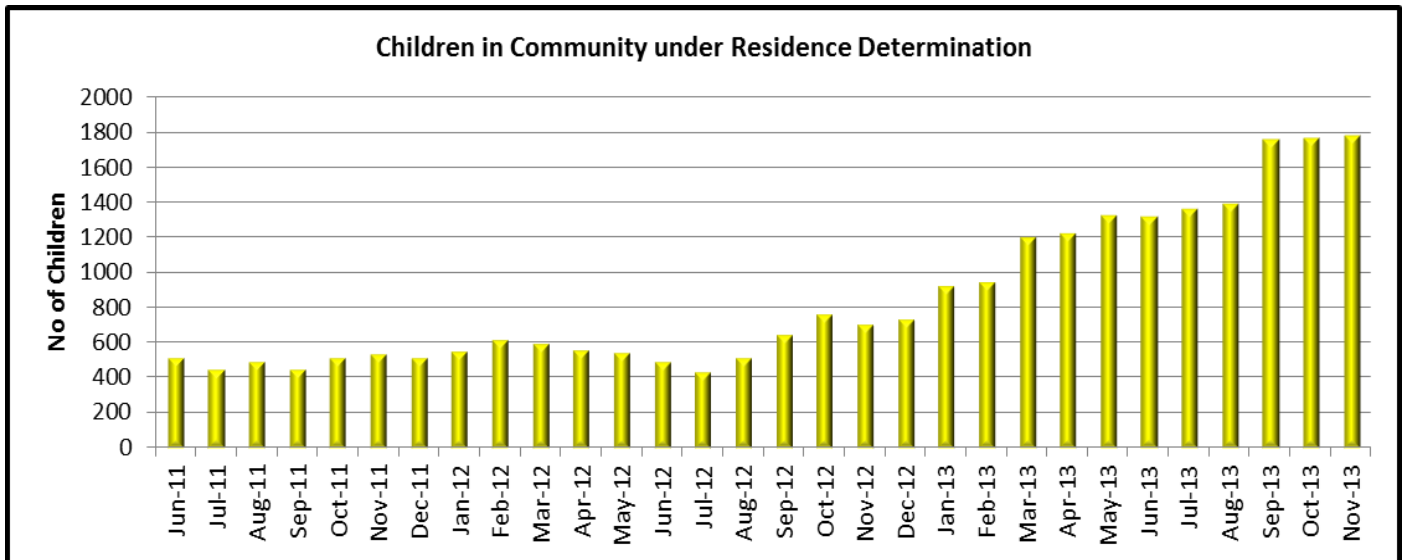


Table 5 - Children in Immigration Detention and in the Community as at 30 November 2013

Placement Type	Children
Immigration Residential Housing	28
Immigration Transit Accommodation	79
Alternative Places of Detention	883
Total Facility and APOD	990
Total in the Community under a Residence Determination	1779
Total in the Community on a Bridging Visa E (including people in a re-grant process)	1798

Time in Held Immigration Detention

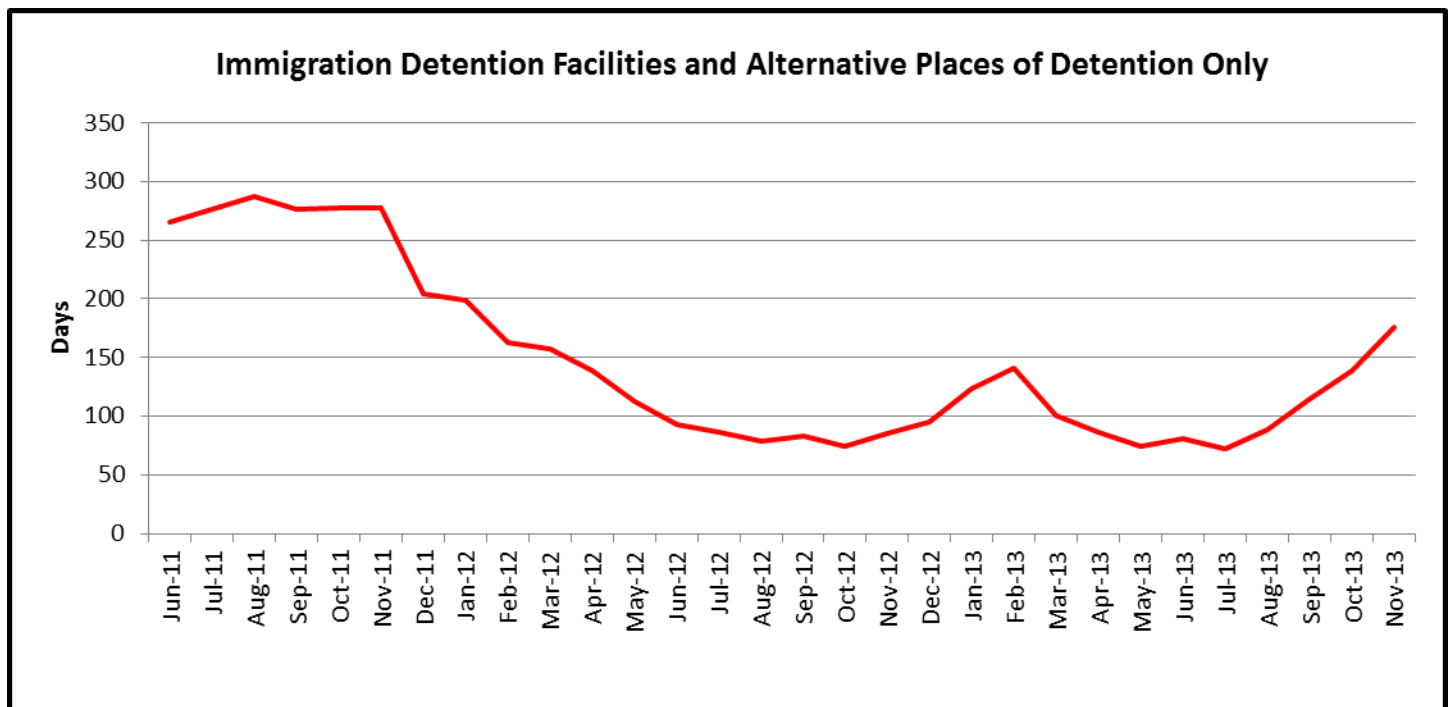
Of the 6101 people in immigration detention facilities and alternative places of detention as at 30 November 2013 around 15% had been detained for 3 months or less and 94% had been detained for 12 months or less.

Table 6 - Length of time in held immigration detention as at 30 November 2013

Period Detained	Total	% of Total
7 days or less	67	1
8 days - 31 days	180	3
32 days - 91 days	689	11
92 days - 182 days	3379	55
183 days - 365 days	1441	24
366 days - 547 days	185	3
548 days - 730 days	45	1
Greater than 730 days	115	2
Total	6101	100

The average period of time for people held in detention facilities remains low, decreasing from 277 days in November 2011 to 176 days as at 30 November 2013.

Figure 5 - Average days in held immigration detention facilities only



Time in Community Detention

Of the 3330 people in Community Detention as at 30 November 2013, <1% had been detained for 3 months or less and 33% had been detained for 12 months or less. This includes the period detained in facilities and/or alternative places of detention 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	1	<1%
8 days - 31 days	3	<1%
32 days - 91 days	13	<1%
92 days - 182 days	330	10
183 days - 365 days	751	23
366 days - 547 days	1722	52
548 days - 730 days	135	4
Greater than 730 days	375	11
Total	3330	100

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