

**JOINT SELECT COMMITTEE ON AUSTRALIA'S
IMMIGRATION DETENTION NETWORK**

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Question: How many IMAs are awaiting removal after exhausting all avenues of appeal? How many IMA's are awaiting removal after exhausting an appeal to the independent protection assessor or its predecessor, the Independent Panel Review?

Answer: As at 26 August 2011, four Irregular Maritime Arrival (IMA) clients had received a negative Judicial Review outcome and had not sought further Judicial Review within the statutory appeal timeframe.

A further 61 IMA clients had received a negative Independent Merits Review (IMR) outcome and had not sought Judicial Review within the appeal timeframe. It should be noted that the courts have taken a flexible approach to appeals lodged outside of the appeal timeframe and as such these clients may still lodge an appeal, which the courts may accept.