

Question on notice no. 659

Portfolio question number: AE24-659

2023-24 Additional estimates

Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee, Home Affairs Portfolio

Senator Nick McKim: asked the Australian Border Force on 12 February 2024—

Please provide the number of people who have been in a held immigration detention facility:

- a. Up to 12 months;
- b. 1-2 years;
- c. 2-3 years;
- d. 3-4 years;
- e. 4-5 years;
- f. 5-6 years;
- g. 6-7 years;
- h. 7-8 years;
- i. 8-9 years;
- j. 9-10 years;
- k. 10-11 years;
- l. 11-12 years;
- m. 12-13 years;
- n. 13-14 years;
- o. 14-15 years;
- p. 15-16 years;
- q. 16-17 years;
- r. 17-18 years;
- s. 18-19 years.

Answer —

Please see the attached answer.

**SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
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Program 3.5: Onshore Compliance and Detention

AE24-659 - Detention - Breakdown by Number of Years

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- q. 16-17 years;
- r. 17-18 years;
- s. 18-19 years.

Answer: As at 31 December 2023, there were **872** persons detained in an immigration detention facility (IDF).

Table 1: Breakdown of person in IDFs as at 31 December 2023 by years.

Years Detained	Number of Persons
0 to 1 year	490
1 to 2 years	127
2 to 3 years	77
3 to 4 years	59
4 to 5 years	44
5 to 6 years	31
6 to 7 years	15

7 to 8 years	8
8 to 9 years	13
9 to 10 years	<5
10 to 11 years	<5
11 to 12 years	<5
12 to 13 years	<5
13 to 14 years	0
14 to 15 years	0
15 to 16 years	0
16 to 17 years	<5
Total	872

Note: Figures are based on current days in detention. As such, excludes days in detention for previous periods of detention.