

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

BUDGET ESTIMATES – 26 – 27 MAY 2014

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

(BE14/258) PROGRAMME – 3.3 and 3.4: Illegal Maritime Arrival (IMA) Onshore Management

Senator Carr (Written) asked:

How many detainees are currently in onshore detention?

a. Please provide a breakdown of these numbers and reasons why people have been detained.

Answer:

As at 31 May 2014, there were 4 016 people in onshore detention (including Christmas Island).

a. Please see table below for breakdown of reasons for detention, based on DIBP systems data as at 31 May 2014.

Illegal Maritime Arrivals (IMA)	Non-Illegal Maritime Arrival (Non-IMA)	Crew	Grand Total
3437	551	28	4016

A person may be found to be an unlawful non-citizen if they are, amongst other things, an IMA, have overstayed their visa, have had their visa cancelled, are an Illegal Foreign Fisher, or have been refused or bypassed immigration clearance at an air or sea port.