

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

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IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

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Senator Ludwig (L&C 44-45) asked:

How many people have been held in detention, or are currently being detained in Queensland, for the last 12 months? I am referring to those held under some arrangement. Also, where are they held and what type of facility are they being held in?

What is the maximum number held at any one time? Could we have that provided in a tabulated form that indicates the number of detainees and the length of their detention over the last 12 months?

(Include figures for those who were first detained in Queensland then moved elsewhere and the duration of their detention elsewhere)

Answer:

During the 12 month period 3 February 2005 to 3 February 2006 the total number of people held in immigration detention in Queensland was 551.

There were no people in immigration detention in Queensland as at 3 February 2006.

The following list shows locations of initial detention for these 551 people. Some were subsequently moved to other locations, including interstate.

Brisbane Airport	Lotus Glen Correctional Centre
Cairns Airport	Mareeba Police Station Lockup
Arthur Gorrie Correctional Centre	Police Station Lockup
Beenleigh Watch House	Private Apartment
Borallon Correctional Centre	Shaftsbury Campus
Bowen Police Station Lockup	Southport Police Watch House
Brisbane Police Watch House	Thursday Is Watch House
Brisbane Women's Correctional Centre	Thursday Island Harbour
Bundaberg Watch House	Toowoomba Watch House
Cairns Police Watch House	Townsville Correctional Centre
Gold Coast Airport	Townsville Watch House
Hospitals	Woodford Correctional Centre
Ipswich Watch House	Wolston Correctional Centre

The most people taken into detention in Queensland on any day during the period 3 February 2005 and 3 February 2006 was 24.

The table below shows the number of detainee days for all clients initially detained in Queensland. The number of detainee days includes all subsequent locations of detention, including outside Queensland.

Detainee days	Number of detainees
<1 to 7 days	381
8-14 days	63
15-28 days	14
29-60 days	75
61-90 days	7
Over 90 days	11
Total	551

One person was placed in immigration detention in the community under residence determination arrangements for the period of February 2005 to February 2006. This person was in immigration detention for 84 days and under residence determination arrangements for 62 of these 84 days.