

## QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

**BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING : 22 May 2017**

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

### **(BE17/207) - Onshore Detention Christmas Island - Programme 1.3: IMA Compliance and Detention**

Senator Carr, Kim (L&CA) written:

Please provide the number of people are currently detained on Christmas Island.

Please provide a breakdown of persons on Christmas Island by the reason they're being detained on Christmas island.

Please provide a breakdown by country of origin of those detained on Christmas Island.

Please provide the daily cost of detaining someone in the facility on Christmas Island.

*Answer:*

Statistics on the number of people in detention are available on the Department's website at <https://www.border.gov.au/about/reports-publications/research-statistics/statistics/live-in-australia/immigration-detention>

#### **Population in Christmas Island by Citizenship**

<b>Citizenship</b>	<b>Total</b>
New Zealand	47
Vietnam	31
Iran	23
United Kingdom	16
Sudan	15
India	13
Pakistan	12
Sri Lanka	12
Iraq	11
Afghanistan	10
China	10
Other	87
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>287</b>

Note: All figures are based on DIBP systems data as at 31 May 2017

Immigration Detention Facility costs include a mix of fixed and variable costs, some of which are based on detainee numbers and others fixed regardless of the number of detainees.

Due to this variability, the daily cost of detaining someone in a facility on Christmas Island has been derived using total actual costs for July 2016 to April 2017 divided by the average number of detainees over the same period, giving a cost of \$1,036 per day.

These costs do not include capital and are exclusive of 'network' costs that are not allocated to individual facilities. |