

Annual boat arrivals in Australian waters 1997

number	date	location	nickname	number	nationality	outcome
1 / 63	15 Jan	Saibai Island/Torres Strait	Oleria	4 adults	Iraq	4 PVs
2 / 64	10 Febr	Ashmore Islands	Pilliga	7 adults	2 Iraq 1 Iran 4 Algeria	7 PVs
3 / 65	6 Mar	Darwin	Quercus	54 adults 16 children	China	70 departures
4 / 66	23 Mar	Christmas Island	Red Gum	9 adults	Iraq	9 PVs
5 / 67	30 Apr	Darwin	She Oak	36 adults 8 children	China	44 departures
6 / 68	13 Jun	Torres Strait	Telopea	134 adults 5 children	China	139 departures
7 / 69	30 Jun	Coral Bay Western Australia	Urtica	15 adults	Sri Lankan	15 departures
8 / 70	25 Jul	Christmas Island	Viola	15 adults	8 Iraq 1 Afghanistan 4 Algeria 1 Sudan 1 Bangladesh	1 departures 13 PVs 1 BV
9 / 71	4 Sept	Christmas Island	Waratah	17 adults 8 children 1 baby*	3 Iraq 17 Afghanistan 4 Algeria 1 Sudan	2 departures 23 PVs
10 / 72	11 Sept	Darwin	Xyris	3 adults	2 Algeria 1 Morocco	3 departures
11 / 73	14 Nov	Ashmore Islands	Yulbah	6 adults 2 children	Afghanistan	8 PVs
total arrivals on 11 vessels: 339					departures: 274 (80.8%) Visas: 64 PVs, 1 BV 65 (19.2%)	

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Sources:

DIMIA (2004). *Fact Sheet 74a: Boat Arrivals*. Last updated October 6, 2004. Accessed online at http://sievx.com/articles/psdp/DIMIA74a_boatarrivals.pdf

Note: the boat name used is the code name used by DIMA to identify each boat. The real name of any boat, if included, is shown in brackets following the code name.

Symbols Used

children = under 18, at boat's arrival;

baby* = born after arrival;

PV, BV = entry through refugee status (protection visa);

departures = departures from Australia;

detention = in detention/custody (that is, under investigation/awaiting repatriation to safe third country/having been refused refugee status/with application, appeal or litigation pending.