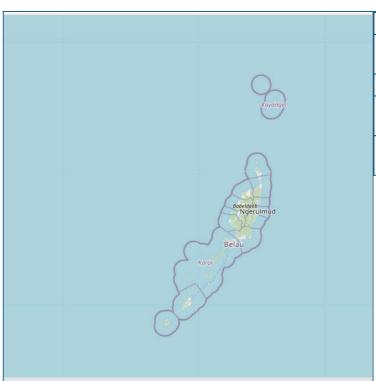
Palau Immigration Detention Data Profile



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Quick Facts	
Immigration detainees (2019)	Not Available
Detained minors (2017)	0
International migrants (2019)	5,066
New asylum applications (2014)	2

NOTES ON USING THIS PROFILE

- Sources for the data provided in this report are available online at: https://www.globaldetentionproject.org/countries/asia-pacific/palau
- "Observation Dates" indicate the timeframe statistical data correspond to or other data were last validated. More than one statistical entry for a year indicates contrasting reports.

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STATISTICS								
Detention, expulsion, and incarceration statistics								
	Observation Date			Observation Date				
Not Available	2019	Criminal prison population	72	2015				
			51	2013				
6.5	2005	Prison population rate	343	2014				
		population)	243	2013				
Demographics and immigration-related statistics								
	Observation Date			Observation Date				
21,685	2020	- International migrants	5,066	2019				
21,000	2015		5,700	2015				
26.6	2015	Ratio of refugees per 1000 inhabitants	0.05	2014				
2	2014	Refugee recognition rate	100	2014				
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DOMESTIC LAW				
LEGAL TRADITION				
Legal tradition	Name	Observation Date		
Legal tradition	Common law	2017		
COVID-19 UPDATES				
	Update Status		Observation Date	
Latest Update	Palau, a Pacific archipelago nation made up of more than 300 islands, has not been a significant destination for asylum seekers or refugees. However, its locationshared maritime borders with Indonesia, the Philippines, and Micronesiais adjacent to important migration routes in Asia. Nevertheless, the country does not have national asylum legislation and the country is not a signatory to the Refugee Convention. In April 2015, UNHCR provided assistance to a small number of refugees (fewer than five) in Palau in finding a durable solution. A very small number of asylum seekers sought international protection in Palau in 2014, however, they departed the country following counselling by UNHCR. There is little available information about the treatment of migrants or asylum seekers in immigration enforcement procedures in Palau. As of September 2020, Palau was one of only a small handful of countries that had yet to report any Covid-19 cases. Foreign nationals, primarily working in the domestic labour, agriculture, hospitality, or construction industries, make up around one third of the country's population. According to the 2020 US Trafficking in Persons Report, this population is vulnerable to trafficking. In 2020, Palau "remained without standard operating procedures for victim identification and referral to services. Protection services were insufficient; the government did not provide basic services such as medical and psychological care, and the government did not investigate indicators of trafficking in labor recruitment and contract violations experienced by many foreign workers."			

INTERNATIONAL LAW

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Relevant international treaties and date of ratification								
	Name		Ratification Year					
International treaties	CRC, Convention on the Rights of the Child		1995					
	CRPD, Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities		2013					
Ratio of relevant international treaties ratified	2/19							
Relevant international treaties and date of ratification								
Individual complaints procedure	Name			Acceptance Year				
	CRPD, Optional Protocol to o the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities			2013				
Relevant international treaties and date of ratification								
Ratio of complaints procedures accepted	Number	Observation Date						
	1/2		2017					
Non treaty-based international human rights mechanisms								
Relevant recommendations of the UN Universal Periodic Review	Recomendation Issued		Year Issued Observation Date		ation Date			
	No		2011	2017				
	No		2016	2017				

INSTITUTIONAL INDICATORS

More information about immigration detention in Palau is available at the website of the Global Detention Project (www.globaldetentionproject.org)

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