The Ministry of Interior has reviewed your request for information on immigration related detention and provides you with the following:

1. **3**\(^{rd}\) country nationals, who are subject to administrative detention for immigration-related reasons, are placed in „Accommodation Centre of Detained Foreigners “Daugavpils”“ in city Daugavpils.

2. The number of 3\(^{rd}\) country nationals who were detained for immigration related reasons: 2010-187, 2011 - 144 and 2012 - 207. This number includes illegal immigrants whose cases are pending, as well as immigrants who will be expelled.

3. The number of asylum seekers in Latvia: 2010 - 64, 2011- 335 and 2012 -193. Detained asylum seekers in 2010 - 37, 2011 - 229, 2012 – 136. There is asylum seekers' reception centre “Mucenieki” where asylum seekers are staying on a voluntary basis, in this centre resided in year 2010 - 55, year 2011 - 319, year 2012 – 185 asylum seekers (This number may include asylum seekers who were initially detained and placed in the „Accommodation Centre of Detained Foreigners “Daugavpils”“).

State secretary

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