

Australian BORDER FORCE

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Our mission is to protect Australia's border and manage the movement of people and goods across it

The Department of Immigration and Border Protection

- Facilitates trade, travel and migration while protecting Australia from threats to the border.
- Responsible for immigration and customs border policy.
- Manages the Migration Programme, the Humanitarian Programme, Australian citizenship, trade and customs, offshore maritime security and revenue collection.
- Office locations in every Australian state and territory, and in 52 locations around the globe.

The Australian Border Force (ABF)

- The ABF is the operational arm of the Department.
- Manages the flow of people and goods across Australia's border to maximise travel and trade.
- Minimises threats to community safety and national security.
- Responsible for the border protection, immigration compliance and enforcement functions.
- ABF officers exercise powers under the *Maritime Powers Act 2013*, the *Customs Act 1901*, the *Migration Act 1958* and the *Australian Border Force Act 2015*.

At sea

 Maintain an armed presence around Australia's 37,000 kilometres of coastline and respond to reported or suspected border incidents and illegal activity.

Airports and Seaports

- ABF officers are positioned at all eight international airport and over 60 international seaports around Australia.
- ABF detector dog teams also play a significant role in helping protect our borders from the importation of prohibited and restricted goods.
- Detector dog teams are trained to search in a range of challenging border environments and can quickly and efficiently search luggage, parcels, mail, cargo containers, vessels and vehicles.

Each week on average we...

- Clear 692,692 air passengers arriving or departing from Australia
- Process **52,500** passengers and crew arriving by sea
- Inspect 1.1 million mail items
- Collect over \$366 million in revenue on behalf of the Australian Government
- Seize a number of prohibited items including **730 drug imports**
- Locate 285 unlawful non-citizens

Port Hedland District Office

- Manage vessel movements, control people and goods crossing the border across all 20 berths within the port.
- Respond to border threats such as the importation of prohibited items and unlawful non-citizens.
- Patrol the coastline from Balla Balla to 80 mile, conduct Border Watch visits at various stations to safeguard the community.
- Patrol the Port of Port Hedland together with Department of Transport or with our Pilbara Coast vessel.
- Manage international flight movements including freight, medivac, and private flights. Weekly Bali flight may resume in 2023.

Port Hedland Area of Operation

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SF 50-2 PRESTON	DAMPIER 2256	ROEBOURNE 2356	SF 50-3 SHERLOCK	YULE 2556	WALLARINGA 2656	- 50-4 CARLINDIE 2756	COONGAN 2856	MUCCAN 2956	SF 51 WARRAWAGINE 3056	ISABELLA 3156	WEENOO 3256	CHAUNCY 3356	ANGOVE 3456	McTAVISH 3556	SF 51-3 ADVERSE 3656	KOOP 3756
FORTESCUE 2155 RRALOO	PINDERI HILLS 2255 LA	COOYA POOYA 2355	WOHLER 2455 PYRAMIE	SATIRIST 2555	WODGINA 2655	NORTH SHAW 2755 3LE B	MARBLE BAR 2855 AR	MOUNT EDGAR 2955		BRAESIDE 3155	WAUKARLY- CARLY 3255 F P1	COOLYU 3355 30N R/	CUTTACUTTA 3455 ANGE	TANDALGOO 3555	GINDARJARIE 3655 SAHARA	BREMNER PEAK 3755
SF 50-6 PANNA- WONICA 2154	ELVIRE 2254	MILLSTREAM 2354	SF 50-7 MOUNT BILLHOTH 2454	HOOLEY 2554	WHITE SPRINGS 2654	- 50-8 TAMBOURAH 2754	SPLIT ROCK 2854	NULLAGINE 2954	SF 51-5 EASTERN CREEK 3054	PEARANA 3154	LAMIL 3254	→F 51-6 PATERSON 3354	TERRINGA 3454	LARSEN 3554	SF 51-7 PICTURE 3654	MUIR 3754
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ULLAWARRA 2151 EDMUNE	CAPRICORN 2251	ASHBURTON 2351 TL	PARABURDOO 2451 JREE CRE	SNOWY MOUNT 2551 EK	GOVERNOR 2651	OPHTHALMIA 2751	NEWMAN 2851	MURRA- MUNDA 2951		ROBERTSON 3151	STACEY 3251	McFADDEN 3351	GUNANYA 3451	CRONIN 3551	SURPRISE 3651 RUNTON	MIDWAY 3751
3F 50-14 EDMUND 2150	ELLIOTT CREEK 2250	KENNETH RANGE 2350	SF 50-15 BOGGOLA 2450	KALLENIA 2550	KUNDERONG 2650	50-16	WARRA- WANDA 2850	MUNDIWINDI 2950	SF 51 BOBBYMIA 3050	SAVORY 3150	KNIGHT 3250	51-14 DURBA 3350	DISAPPOINT- MENT 3450	RUNTON 3550	SF 51-15 LEEMING 3650	BEJAH 3750

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Port Hedland Section 15



S15 boundary extends 12.5nM.

Majority of anchorage locations were outside of the existing S15 boundary until December 2020.

Two anchorage locations remain outside the S15 boundary due to the limits of the Territorial Sea.

Port Hedland ABF Officers invoke *Maritime Powers Act 2013* in order to conduct intervention activities outside of the S15 boundary.

ABF Operational Statistics



Maritime

3,225 movements processed in 2021.

Current projections for 2022 is approximately 3,400 movements.

Each movement carries 20 crew on average.

Majority of crew are Filipino and Chinese nationals.

Vessels commonly travel between China and Port Hedland.

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Border Threats

- People Smuggling
- Illicit drugs and Precursors
- Performance enhancing substances
- Foreign Fishing Vessels
- Tobacco
- Weapons
- Dangerous goods
- Protected wildlife,
- Offensive material,
- Copyright breaches, and Counterfeit goods
- Terrorism

BORDER WATCH

1800 06 1800

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Illicit Drugs, Precursors and Prohibited Items

- ICE
- MDMA
- Cocaine
- Heroin
- Amphetamine-Type Stimulants (ATS)
- Ephedrine
- Performance and Image Enhancing Drugs (PIEDS)
- Objectionable material
- Steroids
- Blowpipes, darts, Knuckle dusters, Sling shots
- Electronic shock devices
- Soft air pistols
- Tobacco (permit required from 01 July 2019)





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Concealments

















Border Threats

Educating Industry on what to look for and how to report suspicious behaviour,

activities or goods to Border Watch.

- Suspicious behaviours
- Suspicious activities
- Suspicious goods

A combination of one or more of these indicators may be of interest.



Common suspicious indicators: Wharf security

- Workers or crew members acting nervously.
- Workers or crew members located outside their normal work environment.
- Workers or crew members in possession of tools that are inconsistent with their employment.
- Workers or crew members showing an unusual interest in ABF/security processes.



Common suspicious indicators: Wharf or port authorities

- Workers offering to work on a Rostered Day Off
- Workers or crew members accessing cargo without authority
- Workers or crew members arriving or leaving the vessel/wharf at unusual hours
- Unusual waterside activity such as divers or small craft moving around the vessel/wharf





Hull Attachments

Cocaine found in parasite tube, attached to US tanker hull







CASE STUDY – 30.2kg of Methamphetamine









CASE STUDY – 1,296kg of Methamphetamine







CASE STUDY – 9.6kg Ecstasy on Cattle Vessel







CASE STUDY – VESSEL DESERTER







- Call Border Watch (toll free) 1800 06 1800
- Or online report form <u>abf.gov.au/borderwatch</u>

- You can remain **anonymous**
- You can report confidentially

Seen suspicious customs, border protection, visa or immigration activity?

Report online to BORDER WATCH



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Closing

- If it doesn't feel right, flag it
- Industry is our Frontline Trust your instincts, your knowledge
- You are the expert in your field
- If you see or hear anything suspicious please report it.

Thank you for your time – Questions?