### ASYLUM-SEEKER TRAGEDIES AT SEA

1. **October 19, 2001**  
353 **dead**  
All on board die after a vessel dubbed the SIEV X sinks off the coast of Indonesia after leaving Canti, near South Lampung.

2. **November 8, 2001**  
**2 dead**  
Two women drown after jumping into the sea when their vessel catches fire off Ashmore Reef.

3. **May 22, 2002**  
42 **presumed dead**  
Last sighting of a boat carrying Afghans, believed to be heading for Australia.

4. **January 15, 2009**  
**14 dead**  
A boat carrying 18 asylum-seekers who had broken out of an Indonesian detention centre sinks off Rote Island, southwest of Timor. Four survive.

5. **April 16, 2009**  
**5 dead**  
An explosion on board the SIEV 36 kills five asylum-seekers near Ashmore Reef.

6. **November 1, 2009**  
**12 dead**  
Sri Lankan asylum-seekers drown after their vessel sinks 350 nautical miles northwest of Cocos (Keeling) Islands.

7. **November 13, 2010**  
**97 presumed dead**  
Last sighting of a boat carrying Iranian, Iraqi and Afghan asylum-seekers, believed to be heading for Australia.

8. **December 15, 2010**  
**50 dead**  
Iranian and Iraqi asylum-seekers on board SIEV 221 are killed when their boat crashes on to rocks on Christmas Island. Forty-one people are rescued and one makes it on to the cliffs on his own. Thirty bodies were recovered; another 20 were never found.

9. **November 1, 2011**  
**20-22 dead**  
A boat carrying about 70 asylum-seekers, mostly Iranians, sinks off Pangandaran. Forty-eight people rescued.

10. **December 17, 2011**  
**200* dead**  
A boat, thought to have been carrying 250 passengers, sinks 75km off Java. Reports say only 34 people have been rescued.

### ARRIVALS THIS YEAR

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*Approximately  
*Up to December 18  
Source: Department of Immigration