

## Freedom of Information Request - FA 19/09/00605

*Details, discussion, documents, emails etc that relate to the amount of skill select invites that will be given to both the 189 and 190 categories in the 2019/20 program year. Please note that I would like to have both monthly and what is planned for the program year up to date.*

### Response:

Information about the number of invitations issued to Skilled Independent visa (subclass 189) for the 2019-20 program year to date, can be found on the Department of Home Affairs website at:

<https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/working-in-australia/skillselect/invitation-rounds>

The Department manages invitation rounds each month after careful consideration of the current processing pipelines, resourcing and totals already invited. Each invitation round can vary accordingly.

State and territory nomination ceilings for Skilled Nominated visa (subclass 190) in 2019-20 program year are provided in the table below.

2019/20 Program Year - State and Territory Nomination Ceilings									
*primary applicants only									
Subclass	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	Total
190	1,200	3,000	400	1,000	1,250	1,200	2,500	2,250	12,800

FOI request as at 11 September 2019.

### **Caveats:**

- The attached information is provided by the Department of Home Affairs (the Department) and is provided in accordance with the ABF Act, Australian Privacy Principles or other relevant legislation.
- State/Territory and Regional nomination allocations are set each program year. State and territory governments may nominate skilled migrants up to the allocation in these visa categories.

Nomination allocations do not align with visa grants because:

- Nominations are for primary applicants; grants count both primary and secondary applicants
- Grants may occur in a different program year than the initial nomination
- Nomination allocations account for expected grants as well as withdrawals, refusals and applicants who are nominated but do not lodge a visa application.