

# Freedom of Information request: FA 21/10/01103

## Caveats:

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- Regarding Immigration data, the Department's current policy is to mask numbers which are less than five as <5, noting we are reviewing the confidentiality method for the future.

## 1. The number of subclass 309 visa applications lodged in 2018, 2019 and 2020 onshore in Australia.

### Partner Provisional (Subclass 309) visa applications lodged in Australia – 2018-19, 2019-20 and 2020 to 30 June 2021

Sum of Lodged	Financial Year		
	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21 to 30/06/2021
309 Partner (Provisional)	<5	125	510
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>&lt;5</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>510</b>

#### Notes

1. Partner visa applications involve a two stage process, and the two applications must be lodged together. That is, the offshore Partner (Provisional) (subclass 309) visa is lodged with the Partner (Migrant) (subclass 100) visa. The two applications are counted separately, and in the majority of cases decided at different times.
2. Cases lodged and recorded in the system as on-hand at a specific processing location may be processed at any location under global caseload management. Where cases have been transferred between processing offices, there may be delays in the new processing location being reflected in Departmental reporting systems.
3. As data is drawn from a dynamic system environment, the information is correct at the time of clearance and figures may differ slightly from previous or future reporting.
4. The Department provides data reports by Financial Year (FY).

## 2. The number of subclass 309 visa applications lodged in 2018, 2019 and 2020 lodged offshore, that is outside of Australia.

### Partner Provisional (Subclass 309) visa applications lodged outside Australia – 2018-19, 2019-20 and 2020 to 30 June 2021

Sum of Lodged	Financial Year		
	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21 to 30/06/2021
309 Partner (Provisional)	19,692	15,001	13,884
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>19,692</b>	<b>15,001</b>	<b>13,884</b>

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3. For subclass 309 visa applications lodged onshore/offshore - the number of visa applications processed and finalised in 2018, 2019, and 2020.

#### Partner Provisional (Subclass 309) visa applications finalised in Australia – 2018-19, 2019-20 and 2020 to 30 June 2021

Sum of Finalised	Financial Year		
Visa Subclass	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21 to 30/06/2021
309 Partner (Provisional)	10	71	1,936
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>1,936</b>

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#### Partner Provisional (Subclass 309) visa applications finalised outside Australia – 2018-19, 2019-20 and 2020 to 30 June 2021

Sum of Finalised	Financial Year		
Visa Subclass	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21 to 30/06/2021
309 Partner (Provisional)	18,380	13,669	20,577
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>18,380</b>	<b>13,669</b>	<b>20,577</b>

##### Notes

1. Visa finalisations include visa grants and refusals, as well as visa applications withdrawn by the applicant.

2. As data is drawn from a dynamic system environment, the information is correct at the time of clearance and figures may differ slightly from previous or future reporting.

3. The Department has global workload management arrangements for the processing of partner visa applications, and caseloads may be transferred between offices for operational reasons.

4. The Department provides data reports by Financial Year (FY)

4. The number of subclass 309 visa applications that are currently outstanding - that is waiting to be processed in the 2021 migration year?

**Partner Provisional (Subclass 309) visa applications on hand as at 31/10/2021**

Sum of On Hand Visa Subclass	Snapshot Date 31/10/2021
309 Partner (Provisional)	22,018
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>22,018</b>

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