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Number of subclass 491 visa applications granted by month between 1 December 2019 and 31 October 2022			
Visa Subclass	Outcome	Activity Month	Total
491 Skilled Work Regional (Provisional)	Granted	31/12/2019	33
		31/01/2020	162
		29/02/2020	407
		31/03/2020	591
		30/04/2020	220
		31/05/2020	506
		30/06/2020	256
		31/07/2020	410
		31/08/2020	423
		30/09/2020	329
		31/10/2020	1,145
		30/11/2020	969
		31/12/2020	802
		31/01/2021	623
		28/02/2021	709
		31/03/2021	1,137
		30/04/2021	570
		31/05/2021	829
		30/06/2021	984
		31/07/2021	889
		31/08/2021	610
		30/09/2021	510
		31/10/2021	740
		30/11/2021	695
		31/12/2021	631
		31/01/2022	663
		28/02/2022	946
		31/03/2022	1,338
		30/04/2022	1,498
		31/05/2022	2,316
		30/06/2022	3,062
		31/07/2022	920
		31/08/2022	1,262
		30/09/2022	1,116
		31/10/2022	1,100

Notes:

- *Source: Department of Home Affairs (internal documents).*
- *Data includes both primary and secondary applicants.*
- *No Skilled Work Regional (subclass 491) grants from 16 November to 30 November 2019*

Caveats:

- This information is provided for the specific purpose of this request. Any other use of the information provided will require consideration and clearance by Data Division, and a separate request should be made to **S. 22(1)(a)(ii)** @homeaffairs.gov.au
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- With regards to 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.
- Current program year figures are subject to variation. The data is sourced from our global Departmental systems. There can be delays in transmission of information, therefore data for current program years should always be considered provisional.