



Freedom of Information Request - FA 25/08/00218

Number of Partner (Temporary) (subclass 820) visa applications on hand as at 31 July 2025

Visa subclass	Number of visa applications on hand as at 31 July 2025
Partner (Temporary) (subclass 820)	60,570

Notes:

1. 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;
2. Reference to 'application' means applications lodged by primary visa applicants and secondary visa applicants;
3. 'On hand' denotes valid applications awaiting finalisation/outcome;
4. The business area notes that the applicant has requested 'documents' to show the number of on-hand Partner (Temporary) (subclass 820) visa applications. The business area has reviewed the scope of the request, and found that there are no such documents that exist within the Department of Home Affairs. However, the business area considers that the question may be answered with the provision of data, as recorded in Departmental reporting systems. Data has been provided in response to the applicants request, in place of documents;
5. At the time of this report, data can only be generated as at 31 July 2025.

Visa processing times, by percentile, for Partner (Temporary) (subclass 820) visa applications.

Visa Subclass	Program Month	25 th Percentile	50 th Percentile (Median)	75 th Percentile	90 th Percentile
Partner (Temporary) (Subclass 820)	July 2025	14 Months	15 Months	17 Months	19 Months

Notes:

1. 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;
2. Reference to 'application' means applications lodged by primary visa applicants only;
3. Processing times are calculated on application decisions only (granted and refused applications).

4. Median processing times are used instead of average as it is a more reliable source of measure, averages can be unduly impacted by outlying data;
5. Processing times data are generated by month, part month calculations are not available;
6. The business area notes that the applicant has requested 'documents' to show processing times, delays, or estimated timeframes related to Partner (Temporary) (subclass 820) visa applications. The business area has reviewed the scope of the request, and found that there are no such documents that exist within the Department of Home Affairs. However, the business area considers that the question may be answered with the provision of data, as recorded in Departmental reporting systems. Data has been provided in response to the applicants request, in place of documents;

Processing delays and aged visa applications for on hand Partner (Temporary) (subclass 820) visa applications, as at 31 July 2025.

On Hand Age	Number of visa applications on hand
Greater than 24 months, to 30 months	1,193
Greater than 30 months, to 3 years	636
Greater than 3 years, to 4 years	440
Greater than 4 years, to 5 years	201
Greater than 5 years, to 10 years	426
Greater than 10 years	<15

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2. Reference to 'application' means applications lodged by primary visa applicants and secondary visa applicants;
3. 'On hand' denotes valid applications awaiting finalisation/outcome;
4. The Department of Home Affairs considers Partner (Temporary) (subclass 820) visa applications on hand for greater than 24 months from the date of lodgement to be 'aged';
5. Data in this table has been provided for applications on hand for greater than 24 months;
6. The business area notes that the applicant has requested 'documents' to show processing times, delays, or estimated timeframes related to Partner (Temporary) (subclass 820) visa applications. The business area has reviewed the scope of the request, and found that there are no such documents that exist within the Department of Home Affairs. However, the business area considers that the question may be answered with the provision of data, as recorded in Departmental reporting systems. Data has been provided in response to the applicants request, in place of documents;
7. At the time of this report, data can only be generated as at 31 July 2025;
8. To protect the privacy of applicants, figures less than 15 are masked.

Caveats:

- *This information is provided for the specific purpose of this request.*
- *It is the responsibility of the area providing the Department of Home Affairs information to external stakeholders to ensure that the disclosure is in accordance with the ABF Act, Australian Privacy Principles or other relevant legislation.*
- *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.*
- *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 year should always be considered provisional.*