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Number of primary subclass 189, 190 and 491 visa applications granted in 2023-24, 2024-25 and 2025-26 financial years, by top 15 citizenship countries and by client location at lodgement

Visa Subclass	Citizenship Country	2023-24		2024-25		2025-26		Total
		In Australia	Outside Australia	In Australia	Outside Australia	In Australia	Outside Australia	
189 Skilled - Independent	India	4,641	1,334	2,986	437	2,156	398	11,952
	China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	1,901	350	1,774	276	1,688	292	6,281
	Nepal	2,406	62	606	17	927	52	4,070
	United Kingdom	358	292	396	205	547	227	2,025
	Philippines	677	262	288	130	317	157	1,831
	Pakistan	414	199	320	100	352	131	1,516
	Hong Kong (SAR of the PRC)	277	280	272	102	195	80	1,206
	Malaysia	381	136	272	47	263	50	1,149
	Sri Lanka	357	110	260	43	274	41	1,085
	Ireland, Republic of	238	40	253	29	298	30	888
	Iran	79	409	95	139	57	28	807
	Vietnam	318	37	221	20	184	25	805
	Korea, South	332	44	118	40	145	46	725

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	Singapore	168	112	150	45	144	59	**678**
	South Africa	84	245	61	80	42	41	**553**
190 Skilled - Nominated	India	4,829	1,274	4,958	1,186	4,074	1,349	**17,670**
	China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	1,797	378	1,742	384	1,304	476	**6,081**
	Nepal	1,541	23	1,294	37	1,443	60	**4,398**
	Pakistan	496	131	837	301	553	372	**2,690**
	Sri Lanka	484	216	600	324	517	215	**2,356**
	Philippines	430	246	352	303	315	282	**1,928**
	United Kingdom	301	246	332	323	372	354	**1,928**
	Malaysia	419	80	457	110	237	60	**1,363**
	Vietnam	309	20	309	28	305	30	**1,001**
	Ireland, Republic of	253	24	216	32	273	34	**832**
	South Africa	54	211	83	166	103	180	**797**
	Iran	90	248	98	262	48	22	**768**
	Bangladesh	213	15	189	23	213	31	**684**
	Bhutan	117	<5	214	24	270	9	**<640**
	Brazil	164	<5	180	9	231	7	**<600**
491 Skilled Work Regional (Provisional)	India	4,427	856	2,676	1,960	3,049	1,113	**14,081**
	Nepal	1,437	25	828	62	1,213	64	**3,629**
	Pakistan	661	168	552	457	571	406	**2,815**
	Sri Lanka	334	128	206	946	315	440	**2,369**
	China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	538	50	237	157	484	160	**1,626**
	Philippines	139	190	103	97	222	107	**858**
	Bangladesh	149	22	100	84	119	61	**535**
	Iran	9	189	16	253	7	20	**494**
	Vietnam	128	7	86	35	204	24	**484**
	United Kingdom	52	124	46	76	66	116	**480**
	Bhutan	70	16	94	14	268	7	**469**
	South Africa	16	211	14	56	20	87	**404**
	Egypt	9	106	6	100	13	150	**384**
	Brazil	158	10	84	5	123	<5	**<385**
	Malaysia	78	90	48	27	78	32	**353**

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Visa Subclass	Citizenship Country	2023-24		2024-25		2025-26		Total
		In Australia	Outside Australia	In Australia	Outside Australia	In Australia	Outside Australia	
189 Skilled - Independent	India	6,318	3,472	4,009	1,150	2,945	913	**18,807**
	China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	2,345	561	2,146	424	2,107	503	**8,086**
	Nepal	3,786	336	937	70	1,537	180	**6,846**
	United Kingdom	545	734	567	543	802	646	**3,837**
	Philippines	1,058	647	435	241	468	302	**3,151**
	Pakistan	509	536	490	286	521	334	**2,676**
	Sri Lanka	510	302	406	102	430	97	**1,847**
	Hong Kong (SAR of the PRC)	309	503	302	177	215	142	**1,648**
	Malaysia	440	235	315	82	308	65	**1,445**
	South Africa	178	739	108	223	64	131	**1,443**
	Iran	123	728	124	239	86	50	**1,350**
	Ireland, Republic of	334	81	348	69	403	56	**1,291**
	Vietnam	392	89	291	46	238	47	**1,103**
	Singapore	212	218	179	95	161	117	**982**
	Korea, South	433	64	139	55	171	52	**914**
190 Skilled - Nominated	India	7,387	3,777	7,732	3,721	6,726	4,353	**33,696**
	China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	2,479	760	2,443	747	1,956	1,230	**9,615**
	Nepal	2,538	241	2,253	272	2,588	359	**8,251**
	Pakistan	693	475	1,280	1,145	947	1,434	**5,974**
	Sri Lanka	779	634	1,049	972	983	649	**5,066**
	United Kingdom	479	696	565	1,045	680	1,153	**4,618**
	Philippines	697	563	595	714	576	726	**3,871**
	South Africa	139	648	201	508	247	592	**2,335**
	Malaysia	493	144	571	259	307	153	**1,927**
	Vietnam	458	74	462	122	527	114	**1,757**

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	Bhutan	270	45	544	131	649	92	**1,731**
	Iran	132	460	148	519	87	47	**1,393**
	Bangladesh	331	62	308	101	387	129	**1,318**
	Ireland, Republic of	364	55	313	70	403	95	**1,300**
	Brazil	274	18	302	48	368	36	**1,046**
491 Skilled Work Regional (Provisional)	India	7,289	4,250	4,934	7,488	5,677	5,425	**35,063**
	Nepal	2,498	652	1,636	752	2,258	871	**8,667**
	Pakistan	954	1,066	921	1,892	991	2,046	**7,870**
	Sri Lanka	626	568	413	3,054	595	1,537	**6,793**
	China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	821	212	384	418	753	464	**3,052**
	Philippines	275	571	228	335	447	360	**2,216**
	Bangladesh	250	157	178	353	221	298	**1,457**
	Bhutan	192	87	249	104	678	116	**1,426**
	United Kingdom	81	397	83	270	118	434	**1,383**
	South Africa	41	702	39	215	50	267	**1,314**
	Egypt	17	365	15	345	36	481	**1,259**
	Vietnam	255	78	162	173	364	143	**1,175**
	Iran	16	412	28	535	11	55	**1,057**
	Nigeria	111	179	75	288	112	288	**1,053**
	Zimbabwe	29	167	32	252	70	277	**827**

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Visa Subclass	**Citizenship Country**	**In Australia**	**Outside Australia**	**Total**
189 Skilled - Independent	India	1,190	302	**1,492**
	China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	647	237	**884**
	United Kingdom	356	154	**510**
	Nepal	429	50	**479**
	Iran	68	371	**439**
	Hong Kong (SAR of the PRC)	323	42	**365**
	Philippines	149	127	**276**
	Pakistan	170	94	**264**
	Malaysia	150	49	**199**
	Ireland, Republic of	153	32	**185**
	Singapore	125	41	**166**
	Sri Lanka	136	18	**154**
	Vietnam	129	19	**148**
	Korea, South	83	49	**132**
	Canada	63	36	**99**
190 Skilled - Nominated	India	3,165	646	**3,811**
	China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	991	350	**1,341**
	Nepal	1,050	49	**1,099**
	Iran	103	895	**998**
	Pakistan	511	211	**722**
	United Kingdom	283	201	**484**
	Philippines	253	151	**404**
	Sri Lanka	314	56	**370**
	Vietnam	247	16	**263**
	Bangladesh	186	17	**203**
	Malaysia	174	18	**192**
	Bhutan	149	7	**156**
	Ireland, Republic of	132	22	**154**
	Brazil	128	<5	**<135**
	Nigeria	70	56	**126**

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491 Skilled Work Regional (Provisional)	India	3,005	743	**3,748**
	Nepal	1,065	62	**1,127**
	Pakistan	631	238	**869**
	China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	472	224	**696**
	Iran	29	429	**458**
	Sri Lanka	190	144	**334**
	Philippines	147	66	**213**
	Bangladesh	160	29	**189**
	Bhutan	154	<5	**<160**
	Vietnam	136	18	**154**
	Nigeria	60	78	**138**
	United Kingdom	61	68	**129**
	Zimbabwe	19	96	**115**
	Egypt	8	86	**94**
	Brazil	88	5	**93**

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Visa Subclass	Citizenship Country	In Australia	Outside Australia	Total
189 Skilled - Independent	India	1,539	505	**2,044**
	China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	826	345	**1,171**
	Nepal	699	96	**795**
	United Kingdom	466	325	**791**
	Iran	96	597	**693**
	Pakistan	263	198	**461**
	Hong Kong (SAR of the PRC)	397	58	**455**
	Philippines	206	192	**398**
	Ireland, Republic of	186	47	**233**
	Sri Lanka	189	38	**227**
	Malaysia	169	58	**227**
	Singapore	141	65	**206**
	Vietnam	152	24	**176**

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	Korea, South	102	56	**158**
	Nigeria	105	49	**154**
190 Skilled - Nominated	India	5,002	1,807	**6,809**
	China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	1,466	815	**2,281**
	Nepal	1,782	180	**1,962**
	Iran	177	1,754	**1,931**
	Pakistan	729	722	**1,451**
	United Kingdom	413	544	**957**
	Philippines	412	301	**713**
	Sri Lanka	526	148	**674**
	Vietnam	376	58	**434**
	Bangladesh	329	68	**397**
	Bhutan	328	40	**368**
	Nigeria	156	148	**304**
	Malaysia	224	41	**265**
	South Africa	69	171	**240**
	Ireland, Republic of	176	42	**218**
491 Skilled Work Regional (Provisional)	India	5,394	3,473	**8,867**
	Nepal	1,920	451	**2,371**
	Pakistan	917	1,203	**2,120**
	China, Peoples Republic of (excl SARs)	735	543	**1,278**
	Iran	55	948	**1,003**
	Sri Lanka	345	454	**799**
	Philippines	267	173	**440**
	Bangladesh	310	110	**420**
	Bhutan	358	55	**413**
	Nigeria	126	255	**381**
	Vietnam	228	71	**299**
	United Kingdom	92	196	**288**
	Zimbabwe	33	238	**271**
	Egypt	14	250	**264**
	Kenya	75	135	**210**

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Notes:

1. Source: Department of Home Affairs
2. Includes primary and secondary applicants only
3. Data represents the number of applications on hand at point of time.
4. The number of on hand visa applications are reported at 31/07/2026 in this response as the closest date with data available.
5. On hand visa applications are reported by end-of-month figures.

Caveats:

- This information is provided for the specific purpose of this request.
- Regarding Immigration data, the Department's current policy is to mask numbers which are less than five as <5.
- 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.

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