



Temporary resident (skilled) report 30 September 2025 Summary of key statistics and trends

The Subclass 482 (Skills in Demand) (SID) visa program came into effect on 7 December 2024 at which time the Subclass 482 (Temporary Skill Shortage) (TSS) visa program ceased for new applications. The data in this report covers both visas, along with any residual Temporary (Work) Skilled (subclass 457) visa program data which ceased for new applications on 18 March 2018.

The size of the program

During this reporting period, the size of the overall Subclass 482 visa program (and residual subclass 457 visa) has increased when compared with the same period last program year as indicated in the table below.

	2024-25 at 30/09/2024	2025-26 at 30/09/2025	% difference
Primary applications lodged	20,700	19,120	-7.6%
Primary applications granted	17,700	17,920	1.2%
Number of primary visa holders in Australia	100,050	126,720	26.7%

PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED IN THE LAST TEN YEARS UNDER 457/482

Financial Year	Total visa grants	% Difference from previous program year
2024-25	68,197	30.9%
2023-24	52,101	1.0%
2022-23	51,605	61.0%
2021-22	32,062	38.4%
2020-21	23,158	-18.5%
2019-20	28,414	-31.1%
2018-19	41,221	19.7%
2017-18	34,446	-25.9%
2016-17	46,480	2.4%
2015-16	45,395	-11.2%

The composition of the program

The tables below outline the composition of the Subclass 482 visa program (and residual subclass 457 visa) for 2025-26 in terms of applications granted as at 30 September 2025.

PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED – TOP THREE AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND STANDARD CLASSIFICATION OF OCCUPATIONS (ANZSCO) OCCUPATIONAL GROUPS

ANZSCO Group	2024-25 at 30/09/2024	2025-26 at 30/09/2025	% Difference from last program year as at 30/09/2025	2025-26 as % of total program
Professionals	7,350	7,470	1.7%	41.7%
Technicians and Trades Workers	6,830	6,720	-1.6%	37.5%
Managers	1,850	1,860	1.0%	10.4%

PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED – TOP THREE SPONSOR INDUSTRIES

Nominated Industry	2024-25 at 30/09/2024	2025-26 at 30/09/2025	% Difference from last program year as at 30/09/2025	2025-26 as % of total program
Health Care and Social Assistance	3,070	3,080	0.6%	17.2%
Accommodation and Food Services	2,540	2,820	11.2%	15.7%
Professional, Scientific and Technical	2,060	2,380	15.5%	13.3%

PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED – TOP THREE OCCUPATIONS

Nominated Occupation	2024-25 at 30/09/2024	2025-26 at 30/09/2025	% Difference from last program year as at 30/09/2025	2025-26 as % of total program
351311 Chef	1,360	1,870	36.8%	10.4%
321211 Motor Mechanic (General)	590	1,000	70.6%	5.6%
253112 Resident Medical Officer	1,060	920	-12.8%	5.1%

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PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED – TOP THREE SPONSOR INDUSTRIES BY HIGHEST AVERAGE SALARY

Nominated Industry	2023-24 at 30/09/2023	2024-25 at 30/09/2024	2025-26 at 30/09/2025	% Difference from last program year as at 30/09/2025
Mining	\$164,200	\$137,700	\$178,300	29.5%
Public Administration and Safety	\$97,800	\$80,900	\$154,300	90.7%
Financial and Insurance Services	\$155,700	\$148,100	\$149,100	0.7%

PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED – BY SKILL LEVEL

Skill Level	2024-25 at 30/09/2024	2025-26 at 30/09/2025	% Difference from last program year as at 30/09/2025	2025-26 as % of total program
Skill Level 1	8,430	8,760	3.8%	48.9%
Skill Level 2	3,450	3,860	12.0%	21.6%
Skill Level 3	4,600	4,040	-12.3%	22.5%
Skill Level 4	640	850	32.1%	4.7%
Skill Level 5	30	40	32.1%	0.2%
Not specified	550	370	-31.8%	2.1%

PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED – TOP THREE LOCATIONS FOR NOMINATED POSITIONS

Nominated Positions Location	2024-25 at 30/09/2024	2025-26 at 30/09/2025	% Difference from last program year as at 30/09/2025	2025-26 as % of total program
New South Wales	6,080	6,710	10.4%	37.4%
Victoria	3,730	4,390	17.5%	24.5%
Queensland	3,010	3,010	0.0%	16.8%

PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED – TOP THREE CITIZENSHIP COUNTRIES

Citizenship Countries	2024-25 at 30/09/2024	2025-26 at 30/09/2025	% Difference from last program year as at 30/09/2025	2025-26 as % of total program
India	2,950	3,380	14.7%	18.9%
Philippines	3,290	2,250	-31.6%	12.6%
United Kingdom	1,920	1,980	2.9%	11.0%

PRIMARY VISA HOLDERS IN AUSTRALIA – TOP THREE CITIZENSHIP COUNTRIES

Citizenship Countries	2024-25 at 30/09/2024	2025-26 at 30/09/2025	% Difference from last program year as at 30/09/2025	2025-26 as % of total program
Philippines	18,310	22,710	24.0%	17.9%
India	15,330	19,250	25.6%	15.2%
United Kingdom	11,280	12,810	13.6%	10.1%

Pathways to permanent residence

In the 2025-26 program year to 30 September 2025, 8,190 temporary resident (skilled) visa holders were granted permanent residence or a provisional visa, an increase of 5% per cent compared with the same period in the previous program year (7,800).

Notes

Figures in this publication are rounded to the nearest 10, whereas percentages are calculated from non-rounded figures.