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**Department of Home Affairs** 

## Temporary resident (skilled) report 31 December 2024 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.

|   | 2023-24 at<br>31/12/2023 | 2024-25 at<br>31/12/2024 | % difference |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------|
| Primary applications lodged                 | 26,010                   | 45,940                   | 76.6%        |
| Primary applications granted                | 23,740                   | 31,290                   | 31.8%        |
| Number of primary visa holders in Australia | 67,760                   | 87,160                   | 28.6%        |

#### PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED IN THE LAST TEN YEARS UNDER 457/TSS

| Financial Year | Total visa grants | % Difference from previous program year |
|----------------|-------------------|---|
| 2023-24        | 52,100            | 0.9%                                    |
| 2022-23        | 51,610            | 61.0%                                   |
| 2021-22        | 32,060            | 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%                                  |
| 2014-15        | 51,125            | -1.6%                                   |
| 2013-14        | 51,939            | -24.2%                                  |
| 2012-13        | 68,486            | 0.3%                                    |

## The composition of the program

The tables below outline the composition of the Subclass 482 visa program (and residual subclass 457 visa) for 2024-25 in terms of applications granted as at 31 December 2024.

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

| ANZSCO Group                      | 2023-24 at<br>31/12/2023 | 2024-25 at<br>31/12/2024 | % Difference from<br>last program year as<br>at 31/12/2024 | 2024-25 as % of<br>total program |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| Professionals                     | 11,610                   | 13,240                   | 14.0%  | 42.3%                            |
| Technicians and Trades<br>Workers | 7,400                    | 11,480                   | 55.0%  | 36.7%                            |
| Managers                          | 2,860                    | 3,330                    | 16.4%  | 10.6%                            |

#### PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED – TOP THREE SPONSOR INDUSTRIES

| Nominated Industry                   | 2023-24 at<br>31/12/2023 | 2024-25 at<br>31/12/2024 | % Difference from<br>last program year as<br>at 31/12/2024 | 2024-25 as % of<br>total program |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| Health Care and Social<br>Assistance | 3,690                    | 5,610                    | 52.1%  | 17.9%                            |
| Accommodation and<br>Food Services   | 2,070                    | 4,320                    | 4,320  | 13.8%                            |
| Other Services                       | 2,770                    | 4,100                    | 47.9%  | 13.1%                            |

#### PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED - TOP THREE OCCUPATIONS

| Nominated Occupation               | 2023-24 at<br>31/12/2023 | 2024-25 at<br>31/12/2024 | % Difference from<br>last program year as<br>at 31/12/2024 | 2024-25 as % of total<br>program |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| 351311 Chef                        | 1,020                    | 2,280                    | 124.1%   | 7.3%                             |
| 253112 Resident<br>Medical Officer | 1,400                    | 1,690                    | 20.5%  | 5.4%                             |
| Specified in LA                    | 880                      | 990                      | 13.1%  | 3.2%                             |

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

| Nominated Industry                            | 2022-23 at<br>31/12/2022 | 2023-24 at<br>31/12/2023 | 2024-25 at<br>31/12/2024 | % Difference from<br>last program year as<br>at 31/12/2024 |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| Mining  | \$144,900                | \$158,800                | \$147,900                | -6.9%  |
| Financial and<br>Insurance Services           | \$151,000                | \$149,700                | \$145,200                | -3.0%  |
| Electricity, Gas, Water<br>and Waste Services | \$136,900                | \$122,900                | \$129,200                | 5.1%   |

#### PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED – BY SKILL LEVEL

| Skill Level   | 2023-24 at<br>31/12/2023 | 2024-25 at<br>31/12/2024 | % Difference from<br>last program year<br>as at 31/12/2024 | 2024-25 as % of<br>total program |
|---------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| Skill Level 1 | 13,720                   | 15,290                   | 11.5%  | 48.9%                            |
| Skill Level 2 | 3,380                    | 5,880                    | 74.2%  | 18.8%                            |
| Skill Level 3 | 5,230                    | 7,720                    | 47.5%  | 24.7%                            |
| Skill Level 4 | 510                      | 1,330                    | 159.4%   | 4.2%                             |
| Skill Level 5 | 20                       | 60                       | 133.3%   | 0.2%                             |
| Not specified | 880                      | 1,010                    | 14.8%  | 3.2%                             |

#### PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED – TOP THREE LOCATIONS FOR NOMINATED POSITIONS

| Nominated Positions<br>Location | 2023-24 at<br>31/12/2023 | 2024-25 at<br>31/12/2024 | % Difference from<br>last program year as<br>at 31/12/2024 | 2024-25 as % of total<br>program |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| New South Wales                 | 9,060                    | 10,890                   | 20.2%  | 34.8%                            |
| Victoria                        | 5,620                    | 6,820                    | 21.5%  | 21.8%                            |
| Western Australia               | 4,010                    | 5,980                    | 49.1%  | 19.1%                            |

#### PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED – TOP THREE CITIZENSHIP COUNTRIES

| Citizenship Countries | 2023-24 at<br>31/12/2023 | 2024-25 at<br>31/12/2024 | % Difference from<br>last program year as<br>at 31/12/2024 | 2024-25 as % of total<br>program |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| Philippines           | 3,970                    | 5,500                    | 38.3%  | 17.6%                            |
| India                 | 3,520                    | 5,360                    | 52.1%  | 17.1%                            |
| United Kingdom        | 3,330                    | 3,410                    | 2.4%   | 10.9%                            |

#### PRIMARY VISA HOLDERS IN AUSTRALIA – TOP THREE CITIZENSHIP COUNTRIES

| Citizenship Countries | 2023-24 at<br>31/12/2023 | 2024-25 at<br>31/12/2024 | % Difference from<br>last program year as<br>at 31/12/2024 | 2024-25 as % of total<br>program |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| Philippines           | 9,790                    | 14,340                   | 46.5%  | 16.5%                            |
| India                 | 12,220                   | 13,130                   | 7.4%   | 15.1%                            |
| United Kingdom        | 8,200                    | 9,920                    | 21.0%  | 11.4%                            |

## Pathways to permanent residence

In the 2024-25 program year to 31 December 2024, 15,960 temporary resident (skilled) visa holders were granted permanent residence or a provisional visa, a decrease of 18.4% per cent compared with the same period in the previous program year (19,560).