



Temporary resident (skilled) report 31 March 2024

Summary of key statistics and trends

The Temporary Skill Shortage (TSS) (subclass 482) visa program came into effect on 18 March 2018, at which time the Temporary (Work) Skilled (subclass 457) visa program ceased for new applications. The data in this report covers both visas.

The size of the program

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

	2022-23 at 31/03/2023	2023-24 at 31/03/2024	% difference
Primary applications lodged	33,340	41,750	25.2%
Primary applications granted	39,460	36,320	-8.0%
Number of primary visa holders in Australia	67,470	82,400	22.1%

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

Financial Year	Total visa grants	% Difference from previous program year
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 TSS (and residual subclass 457 visa) program for 2023-24 in terms of applications granted as at 31 March 2024.

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

ANZSCO Group	2022-23 at 31/03/2023	2023-24 at 31/03/2024	% Difference from last program year as at 31/03/2024	2023-24 as % of total program
Professionals	22,520	17,690	-21.5%	48.7%
Technicians and Trades Workers	10,670	11,290	5.8%	31.1%
Managers	4,450	4,290	-3.7%	11.8%

PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED – TOP THREE SPONSOR INDUSTRIES

Nominated Industry	2022-23 at 31/03/2023	2023-24 at 31/03/2024	% Difference from last program year as at 31/03/2024	2023-24 as % of total program
Professional, Scientific and Technical	6,770	5,800	-14.2%	16.0%
Health Care and Social Assistance	4,920	5,780	17.6%	15.9%
Other Services	7,050	3,860	-45.3%	0.6%

PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED – TOP THREE OCCUPATIONS

Nominated Occupation	2022-23 at 31/03/2023	2023-24 at 31/03/2024	% Difference from last program year as at 31/03/2024	2023-24 as % of total program
253112 Resident Medical Officer	1,490	2,040	36.5%	5.6%
351311 Chef	1,860	1,500	-19.1%	4.1%
261313 Software Engineer	2,480	1,380	-44.4%	3.8%

PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED – AVERAGE SALARY BY TOP THREE SPONSOR INDUSTRIES

Nominated Industry	2021-22 at 31/03/2022	2022-23 at 31/03/2023	2023-24 at 31/03/2024	% Difference from last program year as at 31/03/2024
Financial and Insurance Services	\$153,000	\$152,300	\$153,000	0.5%
Mining	\$152,000	\$152,200	\$152,000	-0.1%
Public Administration and Safety	\$123,900	\$95,000	\$123,900	30.4%

PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED – BY SKILL LEVEL

Skill Level	2022-23 at 31/03/2023	2023-24 at 31/03/2024	% Difference from last program year as at 31/03/2024	2023-24 as % of total program
Skill Level 1	25,860	20,820	-19.5%	57.3%
Skill Level 2	4,870	5,050	3.7%	13.9%
Skill Level 3	7,560	8,110	7.3%	22.3%
Skill Level 4	540	930	72.2%	2.6%
Skill Level 5	30	40	9.1%	0.1%
Not specified	600	1,370	129.9%	3.8%

PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED – TOP THREE LOCATIONS FOR NOMINATED POSITIONS

Nominated Positions Location	2022-23 at 31/03/2023	2023-24 at 31/03/2024	% Difference from last program year as at 31/03/2024	2023-24 as % of total program
New South Wales	16,710	13,870	-17.0%	38.2%
Victoria	11,130	8,580	-23.0%	23.6%
Western Australia	4,570	6,050	32.4%	16.7%

PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED – TOP THREE CITIZENSHIP COUNTRIES

Citizenship Countries	2022-23 at 31/03/2023	2023-24 at 31/03/2024	% Difference from last program year as at 31/03/2024	2023-24 as % of total program
Philippines	5,000	6,180	23.6%	17.0%
India	9,830	5,370	-45.3%	14.8%
United Kingdom	4,830	5,020	3.8%	13.8%

PRIMARY VISA HOLDERS IN AUSTRALIA – TOP THREE CITIZENSHIP COUNTRIES

Citizenship Countries	2022-23 at 31/03/2023	2023-24 at 31/03/2024	% Difference from last program year as at 31/03/2024	2023-24 as % of total program
India	14,020	13,940	-0.6%	16.9%
Philippines	8,540	13,340	56.0%	16.2%
United Kingdom	8,550	9,980	16.7%	12.1%

Pathways to permanent residence

In the 2023-24 program year to 31 March 2024, 27,380 temporary resident (skilled) visa holders were granted permanent residence or a provisional visa, an increase of 7.3% per cent compared with the same period in the previous program year (25,520).