



Temporary resident (skilled) report 30 September 2021 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 decreased when compared with the same period last program year as indicated in the table below.

	2020-21 at 30/09/2020	2021-22 at 30/09/2021	% difference
Primary applications lodged	6,930	7,580	9.2%
Primary applications granted	5,450	6,680	22.6%
Number of primary visa holders in Australia	65,360	52,860	-19.1%

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

Financial Year	Total visa grants	% Difference from previous program year
2020-21	23,158	-18.5%
2019-20	28,410	-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%
2011-12	68,314	42.1%

The composition of the program

The tables below outline the composition of the TSS (and residual subclass 457 visa) program for 2021-22 in terms of applications granted as at 30 September 2021.

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

ANZSCO Group	2020-21 at 30/09/2020	2021-22 at 30/09/2021	% Difference from last program year as at 30/09/2021	2021-22 as % of total program
Professionals	3,870	4,220	9.0%	63.2%
Technicians and Trades Workers	690	1,480	115.4%	22.2%
Managers	750	770	2.4%	11.5%

PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED – TOP THREE SPONSOR INDUSTRIES

Nominated Industry	2020-21 at 30/09/2020	2021-22 at 30/09/2021	% Difference from last program year as at 30/09/2021	2021-22 as % of total program
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,200	1,360	11.6%	20.4%
Information Media and Telecommunications	1,210	1,130	-6.5%	17.0%
Professional, Scientific and Technical	790	1,000	23.3%	14.9%

PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED – TOP THREE OCCUPATIONS

Nominated Occupation	2020-21 at 30/09/2020	2021-22 at 30/09/2021	% Difference from last program year as at 30/09/2021	2021-22 as % of total program
253112 Resident Medical Officer	520	660	26.9%	9.9%
351311 Chef	<5	600	60,200.0%	9.0%
261313 Software Engineer	390	440	13.0%	6.6%

PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED – AVERAGE SALARY BY TOP THREE SPONSOR INDUSTRIES

Nominated Industry	2019-20 at 30/09/2019	2020-21 at 30/09/2020	2021-22 at 30/09/2021	% Difference from last program year as at 30/09/2021
Finance and Insurance Services	\$156,700	\$154,000	\$149,800	-2.7%
Mining	\$174,600	\$188,800	\$139,400	-26.2%
Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services	\$155,400	\$128,800	\$135,700	5.4%

PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED – BY SKILL LEVEL

Skill Level	2018-19 at 30/09/2018	2019-20 at 30/09/2019	2020-21 at 30/09/2020	2021-22 at 30/09/2021	% Difference from last program year as at 30/09/2021	2021-22 as % of total program
Skill Level 1	8,770	7,200	4,580	4,850	6.1%	72.7%
Skill Level 2	1,730	1,100	350	1,030	195.7%	15.5%
Skill Level 3	1,990	1,460	480	680	41.8%	10.2%
Skill Level 4	60	40	10	80	1,150.0%	1.1%
Skill Level 5	0	0	<5	NA	0%	0%
Not specified	220	210	40	40	5.6%	0.6%

PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED – TOP THREE LOCATIONS FOR NOMINATED POSITIONS

Nominated Positions Location	2020-21 at 30/09/2020	2021-22 at 30/09/2021	% Difference from last program year as at 30/09/2021	2021-22 as % of total program
New South Wales	2,500	2,480	-0.6%	37.2%
Victoria	1,220	1,800	47.3%	27.0%
Queensland	720	1,010	40.7%	15.2%

PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED – TOP THREE CITIZENSHIP COUNTRIES

Citizenship Countries	2020-21 at 30/09/2020	2021-22 at 30/09/2021	% Difference from last program year as at 30/09/2021	2021-22 as % of total program
India	1,180	1,390	17.9%	20.7%
United Kingdom	1,160	1,150	-0.7%	17.2%
Philippines	320	570	77.3%	8.6%

PRIMARY VISA HOLDERS IN AUSTRALIA – TOP THREE CITIZENSHIP COUNTRIES

Citizenship Countries	2020-21 at 30/09/2020	2021-22 at 30/09/2021	% Difference from last program year as at 30/09/2021	2021-22 as % of total program
United Kingdom	11,240	8,790	-21.8%	16.6%
India	12,260	7,940	-35.2%	15.0%
Philippines	6,690	6,070	-9.3%	11.5%

Pathways to permanent residence

In the 2021-22 program year to 30 September 2021:

- 3,480 temporary resident (skilled) visa holders were granted permanent residence or a provisional visa, a decrease of 11 per cent compared with the same period in the previous program year (3,910);
- the vast majority of permanent visa grants to TSS and subclass 457 visa holders were in the economic migration stream (62.8 per cent).