



Temporary resident (skilled) report 31 March 2023 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.

	2021-22 at 31/03/2022	2022-23 at 31/03/2023	% difference
Primary applications lodged	25,350	33,450	31.9%
Primary applications granted	22,790	39,460	73.2%
Number of primary visa holders in Australia	52,440	67,470	28.66%

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

Financial Year	Total visa grants	% Difference from previous program year
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%
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 2022-23 in terms of applications granted as at 31 March 2022.

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

ANZSCO Group	2021-22 at 31/03/2022	2022-23 at 31/03/2023	% Difference from last program year as at 31/03/2023	2022-23 as % of total program
Professionals	14,680	22,520	53.4%	57.1%
Technicians and Trades Workers	4,800	10,670	122.2%	27.0%
Managers	2,570	4,450	72.9%	11.3%

PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED – TOP THREE SPONSOR INDUSTRIES

Nominated Industry	2021-22 at 31/03/2022	2022-23 at 31/03/2023	% Difference from last program year as at 31/03/2023	2022-23 as % of total program
Professional, Scientific and Technical	3,870	7,080	82.8%	17.9%
Information Media and Telecommunications	3,470	5,260	51.7%	13.3%
Other Services	2,970	5,120	72.6%	13.0%

PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED – TOP THREE OCCUPATIONS

Nominated Occupation	2021-22 at 31/03/2022	2022-23 at 31/03/2023	% Difference from last program year as at 31/03/2023	2022-23 as % of total program
261313 Software Engineer	2,010	2,480	23.0%	6.3%
351311 Chef	1,500	1,860	23.9%	4.7%
261111 ICT Business Analyst	730	1,630	123.4%	4.1%

PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED – AVERAGE SALARY BY TOP THREE SPONSOR INDUSTRIES

Nominated Industry	2020-21 at 31/03/2021	2021-22 at 31/03/2022	2022-23 at 31/03/2023	% Difference from last program year as at 31/03/2023
Financial and Insurance Services	\$150,800	\$144,800	\$152,300	5.1%
Mining	\$191,400	\$142,000	\$152,200	7.1%
Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services	\$133,000	\$121,500	\$133,900	10.2%

PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED – BY SKILL LEVEL

Skill Level	2021-22 at 31/03/2022	2022-23 at 31/03/2023	% Difference from last program year as at 31/03/2023	2022-23 as % of total program
Skill Level 1	16,750	25,860	54.4%	65.5%
Skill Level 2	2,970	4,870	64.1%	12.4%
Skill Level 3	2,670	7,560	182.8%	19.2%
Skill Level 4	210	540	163.4%	1.4%
Skill Level 5	0	30	725.0%	0.1%
Not specified	180	600	227.5%	1.5%

PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED – TOP THREE LOCATIONS FOR NOMINATED POSITIONS

Nominated Positions Location	2021-22 at 31/03/2022	2022-23 at 31/03/2023	% Difference from last program year as at 31/03/2023	2022-23 as % of total program
New South Wales	9,910	16,710	68.6%	42.4%
Victoria	6,280	11,130	77.2%	28.2%
Queensland	2,700	5,050	87.3%	12.8%

PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED – TOP THREE CITIZENSHIP COUNTRIES

Citizenship Countries	2021-22 at 31/03/2022	2022-23 at 31/03/2023	% Difference from last program year as at 31/03/2023	2022-23 as % of total program
India	6,010	9,830	63.5%	24.9%
Philippines	1,960	5,000	154.7%	12.7%
United Kingdom	3,230	4,830	49.6%	12.2%

PRIMARY VISA HOLDERS IN AUSTRALIA – TOP THREE CITIZENSHIP COUNTRIES

Citizenship Countries	2021-22 at 31/03/2022	2022-23 at 31/03/2023	% Difference from last program year as at 31/03/2023	2022-23 as % of total program
India	8,650	14,020	62.1%	20.7%
United Kingdom	8,050	8,550	6.2%	12.7%
Philippines	6,070	8,540	40.7%	12.6%

Pathways to permanent residence

In the 2022-23 program year to 31 March 2023:

- 24,450 temporary resident (skilled) visa holders were granted permanent residence or a provisional visa, an increase of 43.4 per cent compared with the same period in the previous program year (17,050);
- the vast majority of permanent visa grants to TSS and subclass 457 visa holders were in the economic migration stream (64.5 per cent).