



Temporary resident (skilled) report 31 March 2022 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 31/03/2021	2021-22 at 31/03/2022	% difference
Primary applications lodged	19,970	25,390	27.1%
Primary applications granted	17,230	22,790	32.3%
Number of primary visa holders in Australia	57,950	52,440	-9.5%

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	28,414	-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%
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 31 March 2022.

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

ANZSCO Group	2020-21 at 31/03/2021	2021-22 at 31/03/2022	% Difference from last program year as at 31/03/2022	2021-22 as % of total program
Professionals	10,750	14,680	36.5%	64.4%
Technicians and Trades Workers	3,400	4,800	41.3%	21.1%
Managers	2,490	2,570	3.3%	11.3%

PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED – TOP THREE SPONSOR INDUSTRIES

Nominated Industry	2020-21 at 31/03/2021	2021-22 at 31/03/2022	% Difference from last program year as at 31/03/2022	2021-22 as % of total program
Professional, Scientific and Technical	2,480	4,640	87.1%	20.4%
Health Care and Social Assistance	3,050	3,440	12.8%	15.1%
Other Services	1,310	3,110	137.4%	13.6%

PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED – TOP THREE OCCUPATIONS

Nominated Occupation	2020-21 at 31/03/2021	2021-22 at 31/03/2022	% Difference from last program year as at 31/03/2022	2021-22 as % of total program
261313 Software Engineer	1,130	2,010	78.2%	8.8%
351311 Chef	550	1,500	172.2%	6.6%
253112 Resident Medical Officer	1,120	1,250	11.7%	5.5%

PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED – AVERAGE SALARY BY TOP THREE SPONSOR INDUSTRIES

Nominated Industry	2019-20 at 31/03/2020	2020-21 at 31/03/2021	2021-22 at 31/03/2022	% Difference from last program year as at 31/03/2022
Finance and Insurance Services	\$156,700	\$150,800	\$144,800	-4%
Mining	\$174,600	\$191,400	\$142,000	-25.8%
Wholesale Trade	\$143,400	\$149,200	\$140,000	-6.2%

PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED – BY SKILL LEVEL

Skill Level	2018-19 at 31/03/2019	2019-20 at 31/03/2020	2020-21 at 31/03/2021	2021-22 at 31/03/2022	% Difference from last program year as at 31/03/2022	2021-22 as % of total program
Skill Level 1	22,260	19,930	12,790	16,750	31.0%	73.5%
Skill Level 2	3,950	3,010	2,010	2,970	47.5%	13.0%
Skill Level 3	5,240	3,900	2,200	2,670	21.6%	11.7%
Skill Level 4	130	120	90	210	125.3%	0.9%
Skill Level 5	0	0	0	NA	33.3%	0%
Not specified	510	470	130	180	37.6%	0.8%

PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED – TOP THREE LOCATIONS FOR NOMINATED POSITIONS

Nominated Positions Location	2020-21 at 31/03/2021	2021-22 at 31/03/2022	% Difference from last program year as at 31/03/2022	2021-22 as % of total program
New South Wales	7,720	9,920	28.4%	43.5%
Victoria	3,920	6,280	60.4%	27.6%
Queensland	2,170	2,700	24.1%	11.8%

PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED – TOP THREE CITIZENSHIP COUNTRIES

Citizenship Countries	2020-21 at 31/03/2021	2021-22 at 31/03/2022	% Difference from last program year as at 31/03/2022	2021-22 as % of total program
India	3,690	6,010	62.9%	26.4%
United Kingdom	3,000	3,230	7.6%	14.2%
Philippines	1,240	1,960	57.6%	8.6%

PRIMARY VISA HOLDERS IN AUSTRALIA – TOP THREE CITIZENSHIP COUNTRIES

Citizenship Countries	2020-21 at 31/03/2021	2021-22 at 31/03/2022	% Difference from last program year as at 31/03/2022	2021-22 as % of total program
India	9,340	8,650	-7.4%	16.5%
United Kingdom	10,030	8,050	-19.7%	15.4%
Philippines	6,250	6,070	-2.9%	11.6%

Pathways to permanent residence

In the 2021-22 program year to 31 March 2022:

- 12,430 temporary resident (skilled) visa holders were granted permanent residence or a provisional visa, an increase of 3.3 per cent compared with the same period in the previous program year (12,030);
- the vast majority of permanent visa grants to TSS and subclass 457 visa holders were in the economic migration stream (67.1 per cent).