



Temporary resident (skilled) report 31 December 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.

	2021-22 at 31/12/2021	2022-23 at 31/12/2022	% difference
Primary applications lodged	15,700	22,840	45.5%
Primary applications granted	14,390	28,950	101.1%
Number of primary visa holders in Australia	49,580	56,160	13.3%

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 2020-21 in terms of applications granted as at 31 December 2022.

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

ANZSCO Group	2021-22 at 31/12/2021	2022-23 at 31/12/2022	% Difference from last program year as at 31/12/2022	2022-23 as % of total program
Professionals	9,100	17,040	87.2%	58.9%
Technicians and Trades Workers	3,130	7,570	141.9%	26.1%
Managers	1,700	3,200	88.4%	11.1%

PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED – TOP THREE SPONSOR INDUSTRIES

Nominated Industry	2021-22 at 31/12/2021	2022-23 at 31/12/2022	% Difference from last program year as at 31/12/2022	2022-23 as % of total program
Professional, Scientific and Technical	2,320	5,710	146.1%	19.7%
Other Services	1,840	4,850	163.4%	16.7%
Health Care and Social Assistance	2,190	3,450	57.7%	11.9%

PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED – TOP THREE OCCUPATIONS

Nominated Occupation	2021-22 at 31/12/2021	2022-23 at 31/12/2022	% Difference from last program year as at 31/12/2022	2022-23 as % of total program
261313 Software Engineer	1,110	1,980	78.2%	6.8%
351311 Chef	1,070	1,360	27.0%	4.7%
261111 ICT Business Analyst	430	1,340	211.2%	4.6%

PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED – AVERAGE SALARY BY TOP THREE SPONSOR INDUSTRIES

Nominated Industry	2020-21 at 31/12/2020	2021-22 at 31/12/2021	2022-23 at 31/12/2022	% Difference from last program year as at 31/12/2022
Financial and Insurance Services	\$158,200	\$145,900	\$151,000	3.5%
Mining	\$187,300	\$137,900	\$144,900	5.1%
Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services	\$133,200	\$127,000	\$136,900	7.8%

PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED – BY SKILL LEVEL

Skill Level	2019-20 at 31/12/2019	2020-21 at 31/12/2020	2021-22 at 31/12/2021	2022-23 at 31/12/2022	% Difference from last program year as at 31/12/2022	2022-23 as % of total program
Skill Level 1	13,810	8,740	10,460	19,430	85.8%	67.1%
Skill Level 2	2,100	1,070	2,050	3,490	70.0%	12.0%
Skill Level 3	2,840	1,270	1,640	5,350	227.1%	18.5%
Skill Level 4	80	60	130	340	163.8%	1.2%
Skill Level 5	0	<5	0	20	566.7%	0.1%
Not specified	380	80	110	320	182.5%	1.1%

PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED – TOP THREE LOCATIONS FOR NOMINATED POSITIONS

Nominated Positions Location	2021-22 at 31/12/2021	2022-23 at 31/12/2022	% Difference from last program year as at 31/12/2022	2022-23 as % of total program
New South Wales	6,040	12,670	109.6%	43.8%
Victoria	3,950	8,330	111.2%	28.8%
Queensland	1,840	3,540	92.0%	12.2%

PRIMARY VISAS GRANTED – TOP THREE CITIZENSHIP COUNTRIES

Citizenship Countries	2021-22 at 31/12/2021	2022-23 at 31/12/2022	% Difference from last program year as at 31/12/2022	2022-23 as % of total program
India	3,530	7,710	118.6%	26.6%
United Kingdom	2,240	3,600	60.5%	12.4%
Philippines	1,190	3,280	174.6%	11.3%

PRIMARY VISA HOLDERS IN AUSTRALIA – TOP THREE CITIZENSHIP COUNTRIES

Citizenship Countries	2021-22 at 31/12/2021	2022-23 at 31/12/2022	% Difference from last program year as at 31/12/2022	2022-23 as % of total program
India	7,840	11,500	46.7%	20.5%
United Kingdom	7,840	7,400	-5.6%	13.2%
Philippines	5,830	6,380	9.4%	11.4%

Pathways to permanent residence

In the 2022-23 program year to 31 December 2022:

- 15,600 temporary resident (skilled) visa holders were granted permanent residence or a provisional visa, an increase of 26.6 per cent compared with the same period in the previous program year (12,320);
- the vast majority of permanent visa grants to TSS and subclass 457 visa holders were in the economic migration stream (64.4 per cent).