



## What we do

# Migration Program planning levels

## 2023-24 Migration Program

On 9 May 2023, the Australian Government announced that the planning level for the 2023-24 permanent Migration Program will be set at 190,000 places.

The 2023-24 Migration Program has been designed to address persistent and emerging skills shortages and support the transition to a net-zero emissions economy by attracting specialist skillsets that are difficult to find or develop in Australia. The Program has the following composition:

- Skill stream (137,100 places) – this stream is designed to improve the productive capacity of the economy and fill skill shortages in the labour market, including those in regional Australia.
- Family stream (52,500 places) – this stream is predominantly made up of Partner visas, enabling Australians to reunite with family members from overseas and provide them with pathways to citizenship. Of this stream:
  - 40,500 Partner visas are estimated for 2023-24 for planning purposes, noting this category is demand driven and not subject to a ceiling.
  - 3,000 Child visas are estimated for 2023-24 for planning purposes, noting this category is demand driven and not subject to a ceiling.
- Special Eligibility stream (400 places) – this stream covers visas for those in special circumstances, including permanent residents returning to Australia after a period overseas.

Migration Program planning levels as announced as part of the 2022-23 and 2023-24 Federal Budgets

Visa Stream	Visa Category	2022-23 Planning levels	2023-24 Planning levels
Skill	Employer Sponsored	35,000	36,825
	Skilled Independent	32,100	30,375
	Regional	34,000	32,300
	State/Territory Nominated	31,000	30,400
	Business Innovation & Investment	5,000	1,900
	Global Talent (Independent)	5,000	5,000
	Distinguished Talent	300	300
	<b>Skill Total</b>	<b>142,400</b>	<b>137,100</b>
Family	Partner <sup>1</sup>	40,500	40,500
	Parent	8,500	8,500
	Child <sup>1</sup>	3,000	3,000
	Other Family	500	500
	<b>Family Total</b>	<b>52,500</b>	<b>52,500</b>
	Special Eligibility	100	400
	<b>Total Migration Program</b>	<b>195,000</b>	<b>190,000</b>

<sup>1</sup> For 2023-24, delivery of the Partner and Child visa categories are demand driven, with indicative planning levels only.

# State and territory nominated visa categories – nomination allocations

Under the Migration Program settings, nomination allocations are made available to States and Territories in the following visa categories:

- Skilled – Nominated (subclass 190)
- Skilled Work Regional (Provisional) (subclass 491)
- Business Innovation and Investment Program (BIIP)

States and Territories each assess eligible applicants against criteria unique to their jurisdiction.

Further information on State and Territory nomination requirements can be found at:

- ACT – [Skilled Visa - ACT nomination and Business Migration Guidelines ↗](#)
- NSW – [Visas and Immigration ↗](#)
- VIC – [Live in Melbourne ↗](#)
- QLD – [Business & Skilled Migration Queensland ↗](#)
- NT – [Northern Territory Visa nomination eligibility ↗](#)
- WA – [Business Migration Western Australia ↗](#) (BIIP) or [Skilled Migration Western Australia](#) (190 and 491 visas)
- SA – [Move to South Australia ↗](#)
- TAS – [Migration Tasmania ↗](#)

The department is working with States and Territories on finalising nomination allocations for the 2023-24 program year. Allocations for each jurisdiction will be published once decided.

## 2022-23 State and Territory nomination allocations

<b>State</b>	<b>Skilled Nominated (Subclass 190) visa</b>	<b>Skilled Work Regional (Subclass 491) visa</b>	<b>Business Innovation and Investment Program (BIIP)</b>
<b>ACT</b>	2,025	2,025	10
<b>NSW</b>	9,108	6,168	260
<b>NT</b>	600	1,400	15
<b>QLD</b>	3,000	2,000	235
<b>SA</b>	3,000	5,800	70
<b>TAS</b>	2,150	2,100	10
<b>VIC</b>	12,900	2,000	170
<b>WA</b>	5,350	2,790	40
<b>Total</b>	<b>38,133</b>	<b>24,283</b>	<b>810</b>

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