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## INSIGHTS ON THE MIGRATION CHANGES FROM THE FEDERAL BUDGET 2022

### PREVIOUS CHANGES

- 195,000 permanent skilled migration places
- An additional \$42.2 million to accelerate visa processing, resolve the visa backlog and raise awareness of opportunities for high-skilled migrants in Australia's permanent Migration Program
- Extended relaxation of work restrictions for student visa holders and secondary training visas holders to 30 June 2023
- Priority processing of offshore skilled migration applications and on-hand NZ Stream Skilled Independent SC 189 applications.

### CURRENT ANNOUNCEMENT

- An additional 500 places in the aged care training pathway for Pacific Australia Labour Mobility (PALM) scheme participants 2022–23
- A new Pacific Engagement Visa with up to 3,000 permanent migration places for nationals of Pacific Island countries and Timor-Leste, in addition to the existing permanent migration program
- \$0.6 million in additional funding in 2022–23 for the Ukrainian Community and Settlement Support
- Additional funding for 3 year Temporary Humanitarian Concern Visas (subclass 786 for Ukrainians and extended access to Medicare for a 12 month period for Ukrainians, including their immediate family members, who hold a Bridging Visa E
- NO visa application charges for international teams, officials and official careers participating in the Virtus Oceania Asia Games 2022.

### WESTERN AUSTRALIA INVITATION ROUND AS OF 22 OCTOBER 2022

| VISA SUBCLASS | INVITATIONS ISSUED |
|---------------|--------------------|
| 190           | 2294               |
| 491           | 2232               |
| <b>TOTAL</b>  | <b>4526</b>        |

Further information will be released in the Home Affairs Portfolio Budget statements in the coming days.

# TASMANIAN SKILLED MIGRATION STATE NOMINATION PROGRAM UPDATE

## FINAL STAGE OPENING – ALL ELIGIBLE CANDIDATES

On Tuesday, November 15, 2022 The Tasmanian Skilled Migration State Nomination Program is expected to open to Registrations of Interest (ROIs) for all eligible candidates.

This means that every applicant who satisfies the prerequisites for one of the nominations channels will be able to express interest in being nominated. This also applies to applicants who qualify for an Orange Pass.

## STEPS ON HOW TO REGISTER YOUR INTEREST IN NOMINATION?

The applicant must first register their interest in nomination in the Migration Tasmania Gateway.

To assist applicants in determining if they meet the standards and which pathway best fits their situation, an eligibility checker has also been made available.

After the registration has been submitted, the gateway will tell if they appear to meet the nomination requirements, and if they are competitive against the priority attributes listed for the pathway they have registered for. They cannot apply for nomination until you are invited to do so by the gateway.

Upon completion the gateway will send an email which will indicate the pass color .

**Gold Pass** - can lodge application for nomination immediately.

**Green Pass**- need to wait to be invited for nomination (approximately 6-8 weeks)

**Orange Pass**- may be invited in next 6 months to apply for nomination

**Red Pass**- you do not meet the minimum requirements

## NOMINATION ALLOCATION AND USAGE

Invitations issued on 26 October 2022

### Skilled Nomination Visa (Subclass 190)

Nominations 529 out of 2000 places used

Applications not yet finalized 312

Invitations issued but not yet accepted 33

### Skilled Work Regional (Subclass 491) Visa

Nominations 379 out of 1350 places used

Applications not yet finalized 135

Invitations issued but not yet accepted 14

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