



Subclass 191

Permanent Residence (Skilled Regional) visa

This visa allows workers who hold an eligible visa and meet an income requirement to live and work in Australia permanently.

Basic Eligibility

See the relevant stream

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Regional provisional stream

(<https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/skilled-regional-191/regional-provisional>)

This visa allows people who have lived and worked in designated regional areas of Australia on an eligible visa, live and work in Australia permanently. Applicants must have complied with the conditions of their eligible visa.

- ✓ You don't need a sponsor or nominator
- ✓ You must hold an eligible visa for at least 3 years, and complied with the conditions of that visa
- ✓ You must have had a taxable income at or above a specific income threshold for at least 3 years while holding your eligible visa

Stay

Permanently

Cost

From AUD475.00

Processing Time

[Ask a question](#)

For an indication of processing times for this visa, use the [visa processing time guide tool](https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-processing-times/global-visa-processing-times) ([/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-processing-times/global-visa-processing-times](https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-processing-times/global-visa-processing-times)). This will show the processing times for recently decided applications. It is a guide only and not specific to your application.

We assess applications on a case-by-case basis. Actual processing times can vary due to individual circumstances. These include:

- whether you have lodged a complete application, including all necessary supporting documents
- how quickly you respond to requests for more information
- how long it takes to perform required checks on the supporting information provided
- how long it takes to receive information from external agencies, particularly for health, character, and national security requirements
- how many places are available in the migration program.

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Hong Kong stream

(<https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/skilled-regional-191/hong-kong>)

This visa lets eligible Hong Kong or British National (Overseas) passport holders who have demonstrated commitment to Australia, live and work in Australia permanently.

- ✔ You must hold a Hong Kong passport or a British National (Overseas) passport
- ✔ You don't need a sponsor or nominator
- ✔ You must meet certain visa requirements
- ✔ You must meet certain residence requirements

Stay

Permanently

Cost

From AUD4,640.00

Processing Time

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