

Iscah Migration Newsletter

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Hey Everyone,

Has been a crazily busy month and so the newsletter arrives one week later this time

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There are lots to take in and news to explain so let's get cracking ...



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1) Links to interesting media article this month

An interesting review of the 2019/2020 migration program numbers –

<https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/programs-subsite/files/administration-immigration-program.pdf>

An interesting article on Canadian v Australian immigration

<https://pursuit.unimelb.edu.au/articles/why-immigration-wasn-t-an-issue-in-canada-s-election>

<https://www.sbs.com.au/news/government-in-full-panic-mode-over-regional-migrant-push-ex-official-warns>

<https://johnmenadue.com/abul-rizvi-prime-minister-fudges-regional-migration-figures>

<https://www.sbs.com.au/language/english/audio/new-migration-definitions-to-see-perth-and-gold-coast-become-major-regional-centres>

<https://www.sbs.com.au/language/english/audio/when-and-how-do-elderly-migrants-become-eligible-for-aged-pension>

https://www.theaustralian.com.au/higher-education/how-perth-and-the-gold-coast-became-classified-as-regional-areas/news-story/feecf7ded6846a21ef81df9eb0981179?btr=697571f8d7eff9787c216fe50548d0a0&fbclid=IwAR2yUEeoewsnG8EG7dqDI411O0dTc5uQ_OY_b_IIVLGtq4Cm_MOcKqQ1izQ

2) Student financial criteria increases

Financial criteria for student visas to rise...

5. The instrument operates to update the following annual living costs and expenses from the previous instrument IMMI 18/010, in line with the Consumer Price Index (CPI) increases from June 2017 to June 2019.

Adjustments in the CPI are provided by the Australian Bureau of Statistics:

- a. for a primary applicant: an increase from AUD20,290 to AUD21,041;
- b. for a spouse or de facto partner of the primary applicant: an increase from AUD7,100 to AUD7,362;
- c. for a dependent child: an increase from AUD3,040 to AUD3,152;
- d. annual school costs: an increase from AUD8,000 to AUD8,296;
- e. personal annual income if there is no secondary applicant: an increase from AUD60,000 to AUD62,222;
- f. personal annual income where there is a secondary applicant: an increase from AUD 70,000 to AUD72,592.

<https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/F2019L01366?>

3) New 491 visa information

This visa starts on 16/11/2019 but many state sponsorship regions have not opened yet.

Here is the link to DHA basic criteria

<https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/skilled-work-regional-provisional-491>

Occupation list is the same as 489 for now <https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/F2019L00278>

4) Family Sponsored 491

More hurt for pro rata occupations in the FAMILY/RELATIVE sponsored stream of the 491 visa
DHA have confirmed that similar to the previous 489 family sponsored invitation policy, that all invites for each pro rata occupation will be used in the 189 program. And only (in the unlikely event that 189s were not filled in that round) would places then go to the 489 family sponsored visa
They have now copied that for the 491 program as follows from DHA - 'If all places are taken up by subclass 189 visas then there will be no invitations issued for subclass 491 visas in these occupations'.
That is good news though for NON PRO RATA occupations on the MLTSSL with a relative to sponsor for the 491 visa. The invite mark may now drop ,

(Source: DHA)

5) New 189 points test

<https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/skilled-independent-189/points-table>

6) DHA steal places from the 189 allocation

DHA have just adjusted their 2019/2020 migration program by stealing 2000 places from the 189 allocation (was 18652 places) and giving 1000 extra places to the 491 (really 489 backlog) and 1000 extra places to the 494 (probably 187 backlog)

<https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/what-we-do/migration-program-planning-levels>

7) Official DHA newsletter on all the 16/11/2019 changes

https://www.iscah.com/wp_files/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/Skilled-Visa-Newsletter-November-2019.pdf

8) EOIs will need to be manually updated in some cases

DHA previously said nobody would be disadvantaged by the way they update the partner points .. it looks like the IT implementation became too difficult and they now have ... as follows ..

From DHA newsletter -

SkillSelect will automatically update EOIs in 'Submitted' status to attribute any additional points, where the information was held in SkillSelect prior to 16 November 2019. There are two sections of SkillSelect that intending migrants who have submitted an EOI will need to amend in order to claim additional points. These are if: they now wish to claim regional study points, due to the change in definition of Designated Regional Australia and/or if they wish to claim points for having a spouse of de facto partner with 'competent English'. It should be noted that if these are changed in the EOI this will change the 'date of effect' for this EOI. A tip sheet will be sent out shortly to show how these points will be attributed.

9) Change in Professional Year policy (again)

(From DHA Migration newsletter)

"... Professional Year – closely related occupations Policy has been updated to provide clarity regarding closely related occupations in the Professional Year (PY). If a PY provider has enrolled an applicant in a PY, the Department will be satisfied that their occupation has been assessed by that provider as being a closely related occupation and no further assessment will be required. The Department will verify completion of any PY course..."

(Source: DHA)

10) Skills Assessment policy for partner points

Claiming 10 points if partner has a skills assessment and competent English -
DHA have confirmed that the occupation must be on the same list as the main applicant for the skilled visa .
But the skills assessment for the partner can be MORE than 3 years old
This is from DHA Policy -

17.8 Partner's nominated skill occupation and skills assessment

For the purpose of awarding partner points, the nominated occupation of the partner (that is, spouse or de facto partner) must be on the Occupation List(s) applicable to the point-tested visa that the primary applicant has applied for.

A suitable skills assessment required for paragraph 6D111 must have been obtained at time of invitation but is not subject to the time periods prescribed in Schedule 2 and which apply to the primary applicant. This means that a suitable skills assessment obtained more than three years prior to the date of invitation can be accepted for this criterion.

(Source: DHA)

11) State Opening dates for 190 and 491

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ACT – Open for 190, 491 opens 1st Jan 2020, eligibility to be published on or before 28/11/2019

NSW – Open for 190, 491 likely to open in January 2020

NT – Closed, Opens for 190/491 on 9th Dec 2019

SA – Closed, opens for 190/491 in early Dec 2019

Tas – Open for 190/491

QLD – Closed, likely open in Dec 2019

Vic – Open for 190/491

WA – Open for 190, 491 presumed open now, new occupation list in Dec 2019

(Last updated 23/11/2019)

12) ACT State sponsorship information

Canberra Matrix - invitation round: 8 November 2019

Information about Matrix score invited is available [HERE](#). The next invitation round will be held on or before 25 November 2019.

ACT 491 nomination:

The ACT is defined as regional for skilled migration purpose from 16 November 2019. While potential applicants can complete the Home Affairs Skillselect EOI from this date, the 491 Canberra Matrix can only be submitted from 1 January 2020.

ACT 190 NOMINATION:

The 2019 eligibility criteria will apply to all 190 Matrix submitted on or before 31 December 2019. The 2020 eligibility criteria will apply to all 190 Matrix submitted on or after 1 January 2020.

2020 Nomination criteria:

The eligibility criteria for 190/491 nomination in 2020 will be published on or before 28 November 2019. Canberra have confirmed that the invitation lapse (refusal) rate for Matrix applications with them is 75%. Mainly due to claiming points they are not eligible for because of employment caveats in the matrix scoring system.

Also Canberra have advised that their 491 sponsorships are unlikely to commence until 1st January 2020

13) Queensland State sponsorship information

Due to a high demand and quota being met for the following occupations, they will be removed from the QSOLs detailed below, when the skilled program re-opens in the coming weeks. The entire skilled program will re-open for both subclass 190 and subclass 491 visas. The exact date of the skilled program re-opening is yet to be confirmed.

If your occupation has been removed, please do not submit an EOI as it will not be picked up.

Occupations to be removed from QSOL November 2019

•Onshore and Offshore -IT

- ICT Business Analyst ANZSCO 261111
- Systems Analyst ANZSCO 261112
- Developer Programmer ANZSCO 261312
- Software Engineer ANZSCO 261313
- Software and Applications Programmers nec ANZSCO 261399
- ICT Security Specialist ANZSCO 262112
- Computer Network and Systems Engineer ANZSCO 263111
- Analyst Programmer ANZSCO 261311

•Onshore –Accounting

- Accountant (General) ANZSCO 221111
- Management Accountant ANZSCO 221112
- Taxation Accountant ANZSCO 221113
- External Auditor ANZSCO 221213
- Internal Auditor ANZSCO 221214

•Offshore -Engineering

- Civil Engineer ANZSCO 233211
- Mechanical Engineer ANZSCO 233512
- Electrical Engineer ANZSCO 233311
- Engineering Technologist ANZSCO 233914

QSOL lists will be published on the BSMQ website when our skilled program re-opens.

Note that the QLD government have published some 491 criteria on their website as follows

Eligibility criteria

To be eligible for Queensland nomination, you must meet both the Australian Department of Home Affairs (HA) criteria and Business and Skilled Migration Queensland (BSMQ) criteria for your chosen visa category.

The HA criteria requires you to:

have a points test result of 65 or higher, inclusive of state nomination points

have a positive skills assessment in your nominated occupation

be under 45 years of age

meet the minimum English language requirement of COMPETENT, unless a higher level is required by your assessing authority

submit additional documents if invited to lodge an application for a subclass 190 or subclass 491 visa.

BSMQ criteria requires you to:

have an occupation on the QSOL 'Working in Queensland' list

provide evidence of full-time post-qualification employment (minimum of 35 hours per week) in your nominated occupation for the past 6 months in Queensland (190 visa) IMMEDIATELY prior to EOI submission.

If you are lodging an EOI for a 491 visa you must be LIVING and WORKING (full-time post qualification, minimum 35 hours per week) in REGIONAL Queensland in your nominated occupation for the past 3 months IMMEDIATELY prior to EOI submission.

provide evidence of ongoing employment with a Queensland employer registered in Australia for a further 12 months (minimum of 35 hours per week). For the 491 it must be a ongoing employment in a REGIONAL area for a further 12 months (minimum 35 hours per week).

commit to living and working in Queensland for 2 years from visa grant.

14) Northern Territory State Sponsorship

Northern Territory 190 closed until 9th December 2019

<https://theterritory.com.au/migrate/migrate-to-work/northern-territory-government-visa-nomination>

15) NSW State Sponsorship news

RDASI - NSW to open on 28/11/2019 for the new 494 visas –

Due to IT updates and changes, RDA Southern Inland are scheduled to open applications for the Subclass 494 Visa, on the the 28th of November 2019. However we have not scheduled a date to open applications for the 491 Visa Program as of yet. Please keep checking this page for updates.

Our 489 program has officially closed and we have ceased processing applications. Any applications received throughout our closure period will not be processed and will receive an email explaining that the application has been marked as unsuccessful.

This message from the RDANI regional body

"...Please do not consider the 491 visa to be a priority option until we advise that applications are open.

The NSW State Government is developing a new program and process for the new 491 visa and cannot be rushed.

It now looks possible that nominations for the 491 visa will not begin until January 2020.

The above notice is conveying RDA Northern Inland views and is not necessarily representative of messaging from the Department of Home Affairs or the NSW State Government.

As soon as we can get a 491 visa commencement date from our colleagues in the NSW State Government, we will advise on this webpage and via update emails.

We cannot provide an exact date for the start of the 491 visa program because we have not been given one..."

16) Tasmania State Sponsorship news

From the 16th of November 2019 all Tasmanian visa state nomination applications (Subclass 190 and Subclass 491) will incur a FEE FOR SERVICE of \$220 (GST inclusive). This fee is non-refundable regardless of application outcome.

During the online application process a \$220 fee will be required at the final application stage of 'lodgement'.

If a payment is not made or unsuccessful the application will be saved and remain 'In Progress' on the system for two weeks until the payment is finalised and the application lodged. After two weeks if an application has not been lodged it will lapse and close.

Payment is only available by way of a credit card (Visa or Mastercard).

Any Subclass 190 visa state nomination applications lodged prior to the 16th of November 2019 will not incur the Fee For Service.

Tasmania releases 491 criteria -

https://www.migration.tas.gov.au/skilled_migrants/skilled_regional?

Tasmanian Skilled list updated https://www.migration.tas.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0009/147267/Tasmanian_Skilled_Occupations_List_TSOL_2019-2020_Updated_18_Nov_2019.pdf

A useful guide on what needs to be studied for Tasmanian State 190/491 sponsorship –

<https://www.migration.tas.gov.au/graduates>

17) WA State sponsorship news

<https://migration.wa.gov.au/services/skilled-migration-western-australia/invitation-rounds/current-invitation-round>

18) Victoria State Sponsorship

Victoria opens up 491 and publishes criteria

<https://liveinmelbourne.vic.gov.au/migrate/skilled-migration-visas/491>

19) DHA information about how to update EOI points

https://www.iscah.com/wp_files/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/SkillSelect-Tip-Sheet-16-November-2019-1.pdf

20) Second 485 for regional graduates

We have been asked many times if existing 485 visa holders will be eligible for the extra 12 months
The minister today issued this statement

<https://minister.homeaffairs.gov.au/davidcoleman/Pages/new-skilled-visas-regional-australia.aspx>

And in relation to the 485 visa says ...

" International graduates from a regional campus can apply for a second Temporary Graduate visa (subclass 485) with an extra year of post-study work. The second Temporary Graduate visa will require ongoing residence in a regional area.

International students need to graduate from a regional campus with a bachelor degree or higher qualification and then spend at least two years living in a regional area. This means applicants can apply from 2021 "

We are confident to say then that unless your current 485 visa will go until 2021 (and likely November 2021) then you will NOT be able to apply for this extra year. It clearly seems targeted therefore at NEW graduates after 16/11/2019

21) Regional Graduate 5 points

Students who studied in any regions outside Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne (these postcodes <https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/F2019L01446>) will be able to claim 5 regional study points.

Including past graduates. As long as the entire course (2 years or more) was in a regional area.

(Source: DHA)

22) Update on Parent Processing times

<https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-processing-times/family-visa-processing-priorities/parent-visas-queue-release-dates>

23) Regional area 457 visa holders bonus

As reported in MIA Notice 104, legislative Instrument F2019L01423 - Home Affairs Legislation Amendment (2019 Measures No. 1) Regulations 2019 at Schedule 3 amended the definition of transitional 457 worker. The definition of transitional 457 worker was amended to mean a person who held a Subclass 457 (Temporary Work (Skilled)) visa at any time occurring on or after 18 April 2017. This amendment was required because the original definition of a transitional 457 worker excluded persons from transitional arrangement who held or had applied for and were subsequently granted 457 visas in between the dates of 18 April 2017 and the commencement of the TSS program on 18 March 2018.

This has the effect of extending the class of persons who may apply for a Subclass 187 visa under the transitional arrangements.

(Source MIA)

- This allows many 457 visa holder to apply for PR187 after working for their company for 2 years on that visa even if they applied for their 457 after the crucial date of 18th April 2017.

This is only for people working in the regional areas of Australia covered by the current 187RSMS visa

24) State Sponsored 489 applicants benefit

If you are granted your 489 visa BEFORE 16/11/2019 then you will need to stay in the regional areas that were defined when you applied for the 489 visa (so no change for you)

But if you are granted your 489 visa on 16/11/2019 or AFTER then you can move to anywhere defined as regional under the new definitions.

So you can live ANYWHERE except Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane

(Source: DHA)

25) Child Care Centre Managers

This occupation usually involved a diploma level of study, a 485 visa grant and going through the 12 months Job Ready program through the TRA to obtain the full skills assessment

All that has now changed. The TRA closed to new skills assessment applications from 5th November 2019.

We just spoke to TRA and yes, they will finalise the JRP for applicants currently undergoing the program (lodged before 11/11). However, they have no information regarding transition provisions from Home Affairs, if these assessments will be accepted or not by DHA. It is under discussion with DHA at the moment

The new assessment body is now www.acecqa.gov.au/

They require 3 years fulltime work experience for their skills assessment process. And there is NO provisional assessment (according to a call to them just now) available to qualify for the 485 visa in the first place

Dark days for that occupation

(Source: TRA and ACECQA)

26) 186 TRT visa applicants

There is an english requirement of competent english for this visa category (ie IELTS 6s, PTE 50s etc).

There has also been an exemption for applicants who have had 5 years of study at a higher educational institution. This exemption is to be removed from 16/11/2019 and instead applicants will need to show competent english

<https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/F2019L01404>

27) EOI Invite predictions

With DHA consistently changing their settings we have to continually change the estimated date people may receive an EOI invitation for a 189 visa application

Last week DHA stole 2000 places from the 189 program and gave them to the 191/194 program. This week they have back flipped on their advice that people who gain partner points (including 5 for having a partner with concessional english) will not be disadvantaged.

Now they definitely will be disadvantaged as to gain these 5 points an EOI needs to be updated with details of a partners english scores. That will give them an EOI effect date of November 16th or later (depending how long it takes you to update your EOI).

Also with so many regions now gaining 5 study points many EOIs will be updated with these extra points. Again the EOI effect date will be 16/11/2019 or later

In total there may be as much as 50% of EOIs shortly with an EOI effect date of 16/11/2019 up to around 23/11/2019 (depends how quickly people update their EOI). We are talking many thousands in maybe just a one week period

This will have a significant effect on EOI invitation dates and mean that when DHA finally get to invite EOIs lodged around mid November 2019, the movement will be VERY slow. Even lodging an EOI an hour earlier could see an EOI invite a month or two quicker.

Table link <https://www.iscah.com/will-get-189-invite-updated-predictions/>

Assumptions

DHA have a budget target of 16,652 grants less 4000 for NZ citizens. DHA have a backlog of 12000 cases (4000 kiwis). If this stays steady then need 12,652 new applicants
 Factor in 25% wastage is 16827 invites. Each EOI averages 2.0 people
 but most invites will be single people so 1.4 average per EOI = 12000 potential invites
 So around 1000 per month until June 2020. Split as 65% Pro rata and 35% NON pro rata

Iscah Estimated waiting period for an EOI invite - 189 visa as at 11 November 2019

		EOI Lodged				Copyright Iscah 2019	
		today (11 November 2019)	3 months ago (11/08/19)	6 months ago (11/05/19)	9 months ago (11/02/19)	12 months ago (11/11/18)	
2211 Accountants	100 points	11/12/2019	11/12/2019	invited	invited	invited	
	95 points	11/09/2020	11/06/2020	11/02/2020	invited	invited	
	90 points	EOI expires before invite					
	85 points	EOI expires before invite					
	80 points	EOI expires before invite					
	75 points	EOI expires before invite					
	70 points	EOI expires before invite					
65 points	EOI expires before invite						
© Iscah							
2212 Auditors	100 points	11/12/2019	invited	invited	invited	invited	
	95 points	11/03/2020	11/02/2020	11/12/2019	invited	invited	
	90 points	EOI expires before invite					
	85 points	EOI expires before invite					
	80 points	EOI expires before invite					
	75 points	EOI expires before invite					
	70 points	EOI expires before invite					
65 points	EOI expires before invite						
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2334 Electronics Engineer	100 points	11/12/2019	invited	invited	invited	invited	
	95 points	11/12/2019	invited	invited	invited	invited	
	90 points	11/01/2020	11/12/2019	invited	invited	invited	
	85 points	not before Nov 2020	not before Nov 2020	11/08/2020	11/04/2020	invited	
	80 points	EOI expires before invite					
	75 points	EOI expires before invite					
	70 points	EOI expires before invite					
65 points	EOI expires before invite						
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2335 Ind, Mech, Production Engineers	100 points	11/12/2019	invited	invited	invited	invited	
	95 points	11/12/2019	invited	invited	invited	invited	
	90 points	11/01/2020	11/12/2019	invited	invited	invited	
	85 points	not before Nov 2020	11/11/2020	11/06/2020	invited	invited	
	80 points	EOI expires before invite					
	75 points	EOI expires before invite					
	70 points	EOI expires before invite					
65 points	EOI expires before invite						
© Iscah							
2339 Other Engineering Professionals	100 points	11/12/2019	invited	invited	invited	invited	
	95 points	11/12/2019	invited	invited	invited	invited	
	90 points	11/01/2020	11/01/2020	11/12/2019	invited	invited	
	85 points	not before Nov 2020	11/04/2020				
	80 points	EOI expires before invite					
	75 points	EOI expires before invite					
	70 points	EOI expires before invite					
65 points	EOI expires before invite						
© Iscah							
2611 ICT Business Analysts	100 points	11/12/2019	invited	invited	invited	invited	
	95 points	11/12/2019	invited	invited	invited	invited	
	90 points	11/02/2020	11/01/2020	11/12/2019	invited	invited	
	85 points	EOI expires before invite					
	80 points	EOI expires before invite					
	75 points	EOI expires before invite					
	70 points	EOI expires before invite					
65 points	EOI expires before invite						
©							
2613 Software Applications Programmer	100 points	11/12/2019	invited	invited	invited	invited	
	95 points	11/12/2019	invited	invited	invited	invited	
	90 points	11/01/2020	11/12/2019	invited	invited	invited	
	85 points	not before Nov 2020	not before Nov 2020	11/08/2020	invited	invited	
	80 points	EOI expires before invite					
	75 points	EOI expires before invite					
	70 points	EOI expires before invite					
65 points	EOI expires before invite						
©							
2631 Computer Network Professionals	100 points	11/12/2019	invited	invited	invited	invited	
	95 points	11/12/2019	invited	invited	invited	invited	
	90 points	11/01/2020	11/12/2019	invited	invited	invited	
	85 points	not before Nov 2020	11/11/2020	11/06/2020	invited	invited	
	80 points	EOI expires before invite					
	75 points	EOI expires before invite					
	70 points	EOI expires before invite					
65 points	EOI expires before invite						
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ALL other NON pro rata occupations *	100 points	11/12/2019	invited	invited	invited	invited	
	95 points	11/12/2019	invited	invited	invited	invited	
	90 points	11/12/2019	11/12/2019	11/12/2019	invited	invited	
	85 points	not before Nov 2020	11/09/2020	11/03/2020	invited	invited	
	80 points	not before Nov 2020	invited				
	75 points	EOI expires before invite					
	70 points	EOI expires before invite					
65 points	EOI expires before invite						

Note the assumptions that we listed at the top of the spreadsheet. These predictions will change if DoHA change their current selection policies

28) How many points needed for 491 Family sponsored

DHA have advised that mainly NON PRO RATA occupations on the MLTSSL will be invited for this new stream. It will be almost impossible to get an invite for a PRO RATA occupation as these places will be used up in the 189 invites each round. So it is similar to the old 1489 policy. In fact DHA have said "...If all places are taken up by subclass 189 visas then there will be no invitations issued for subclass 491 visas in these occupations ..."

By our numbers there are approximately 18,000 EOIs in the skill select system for NON PRO RATA occupations on the MLTSSL list

Our rough estimates are that 30% of these have a relative in Australia who is a PR/Citizen. And of these around 20% are in what are now designated regional areas.

So that means 6% (30% x 20%) of 18,000 EOIs are eligible to be sponsored under the 491 Family stream = only 1080 for the whole year !!

With just another 60 new EOIs applying each month who may be eligible

Unless DHA are going to allocate a VERY small number of places for the family relative sponsored category they are going to run out of eligible EOIs VERY quickly. And many of these are going to be very low scoring candidates. Even 50 (+15 sponsor points) may be enough

Given this I would think either the 491 Family stream either has to be almost negligible or DHA will need to adjust this policy and also invite PRO RATA occupations.

(Source: Iscah)

29) Fake Iscah news ... WTF ??

Please note that it has been brought to our attention a fake post presumably posted on a forum of an ISCAH facebook post where we are supposed to have stated

"If you are granted your 489 visa after 16/11/2019 or AFTER then it is confirmed now that Medicare facility would be available ..."

They have actually taken a post where we mentioned the 489 visa this weekend and added their own medicare wording for some strange reason

We did NOT post this and we have no knowledge of the medicare entitlement other than we do not agree with this post at all. If anyone is aware of where this has been posted it would be much appreciated if it could be posted that this is a FAKE post and we never published that information anywhere on our website or facebook pages etc

(please always check our official facebook or webpages to confirm what we have posted)

30) Verifying PTE results more than 2 years old

As many would know, DHA accept the PTE english test scores for a period of three years for skilled visa applications.

There has been a problem in the past where test results of more than 2 years old (but less than 3 years old) could not be easily proven to DHA

The PTE score recording system has been amended now to make this easier as follows ...

If the client logs in and view their score they will see a SRC (Score Report Code).

This is different to the REG ID.

This SRC is a new feature which now means candidates - especially in this case - no longer have to assign their score to DHA . The Department in using our upgraded system will be able to search and verify using the SRC..."

31) Unofficial Skill Select results 11th November 2019

DHA had a 189 skill select round last night and it looks like the numbers were around just 500 places This is likely because last week DHA "stole" 2000 places from the 189 allocation this year and so reduced the program from 18,652 to 16,652. Then have allocated them to the regional visas for 2019/2020 To produce our results we collect data from our own clients, online forums, other online sources, and feedback from our FB and newsletter followers. As well as using mathematical logical assumptions we know in the past to be correct.

If you aware of any more recent invites for any of these occupations please email us at query@iscah.com with some details so that we can see if this table can be updated over the next 24-48 hours.

SO COME BACK AND CHECK for updates

(Please note it is highly likely there are more recent invites we are unaware of ... this is just the best we know so far)

<https://www.iscah.com/unofficial-skill-select-results-11th-november-2019/>

Iscah estimated invitation dates after Skillselect round of :	EOI points score			All EOIs to this effect date we believe have been invited				PAST best DOHA date Without Wasted Invites
11th November 2019	65 points	70 points	80	75 points	80 points	85 points © iscah2019	90 points	
2211 Accountants (no invites seen)	6/10/2015	24/10/2016	i	18/10/2017	24/08/2018	14/12/2018	6/09/2019	9/03/2019(85)
2212 Auditors © Iscah 2019	27/07/2015	26/12/2016	s	26/09/2017	19/07/2018	12/04/2019	24/10/2019*	
2334 Electronics Engineer (no invites seen)	18/09/2017	13/12/2017	e	7/12/2018	4/06/2019	10/10/2019	10/10/2019	
2335 Ind, Mech, Prod Engineers (no invites seen)	27/04/2017	2/07/2018	a	24/02/2019	11/12/2018	4/10/2019	10/10/2019	10/05/2019(80)
2339 Other Engineer Profs	3/01/2017	30/10/2017	h	6/11/2018	3/04/2019	29/10/2019*	10/11/2019*	
2611 ICT Business Analysts	11/08/2016	13/09/2017	z	9/10/2018	20/03/2019	10/10/2019	23/10/2019*	12/04/2019(80)
2613 Software Applications Programmer @ Iscah 2019	18/04/2017	23/01/2018	0	13/02/2019	9/04/2019	25/10/2019*	10/11/2019*	13/05/2018(80)
2631 Computer Network Prof	4/03/2017	6/09/2018	1	8/03/2019	20/05/2019	11/10/2019*	10/11/2019*	
ALL the other NON-pro rata occupations	28/09/2017	8/12/2018	9	8/03/2019	4/06/2019	31/10/2019*	10/11/2019*	
Assumptions - Approximately 500 invitations (Split 60% Pro Rata and 40% Non Pro Rata)								
* Iscah estimates of CHANGED DATES from the latest round have an asterix next to them * and are in dark GREEN								

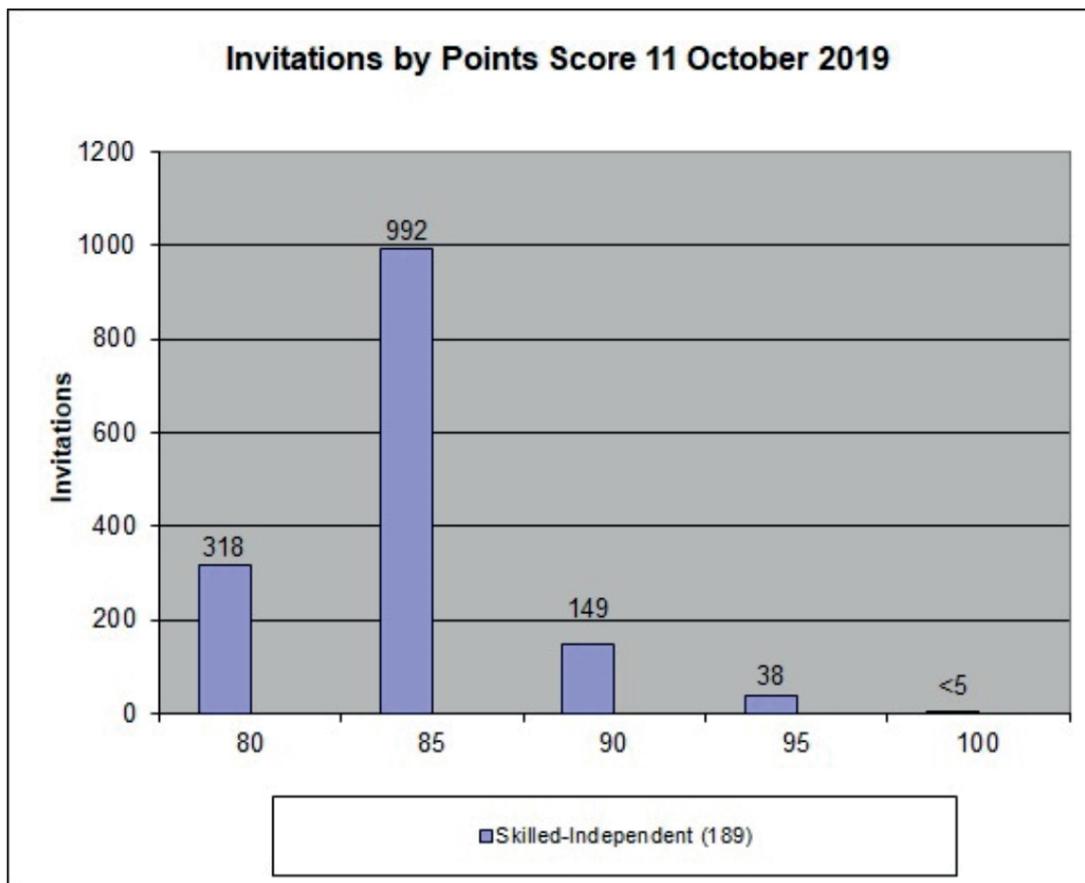
(Source: Iscah)

32) DHA official skill select results from 11th October 2019

Visa subclass	Number
Skilled Independent visa (subclass 189)	1500
Skilled Regional (provisional) visa (subclass 489)	0

No invitations are being issued for Skilled Regional (Provisional) visa (subclass 489), due to the introduction of the Skilled Work Regional (Provisional) (subclass 491) visa on 16 November 2019. During 2019-20 program year the following numbers of invitations have been issued:

11 October 2019 results



Invitation process and cut off points

The highest ranked clients by points score are invited to apply for the relevant visa. For clients who have equal points scores, the time at which they reached their points score for that subclass (referred to as the date of effect) determines their order of invitation. Expressions of Interest with earlier dates of effect are invited before later dates.

Visa subclass	Min Points Score	Date of effect
Skilled - Independent (subclass 189)	80	04/06/2019 8:33pm
Skilled - Regional Provisional (subclass 489)		

Point scores and the dates of effect cut off for the pro rata occupations in the 11 October 2019 invitation round.

Due to high levels of demand, and in keeping with previous years, the below occupation groups will be subject to pro rata arrangements to ensure availability of invitations across the program year. SkillSelect first allocates available places to Skilled – Independent visas (subclass 189) and then the remaining to Skilled – Regional (Provisional) visas (subclass 489). If all places are taken up by subclass 189 visas then there will be no invitations issued for subclass 489 visas in these occupations.

ID	Description	Points score	Date of effect
2211	Accountants	90	6/09/2019 10:29am
2212	Auditors, Company Secretaries and Corporate Treasurers	85	12/04/2019 9:46am
2334	Electronics Engineer	80	4/06/2019 12:07pm
2335	Industrial, Mechanical and Production Engineers	80	11/12/2018 6:39pm
2339	Other Engineering Professionals	80	3/04/2019 6:42pm
2611	ICT Business and System Analysts	80	20/03/2019 6:34pm
2613	Software and Applications Programmers	80	9/04/2019 8:56pm
2631	Computer Network Professionals	80	20/05/2019 10:05am

(Source: DHA)

That's it for another month
Keep well and see you all on Monday
16th November 2019



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