

Hi there,

I would like to submit this anonymously.

Many 489 visa holders like myself have full fill the visa requirements and are eligible to apply for visa 887 or Permanent Resident(PR) in Australia. The two requirements are we must stay in designed regional areas for 2 years and must work in designed regional areas for a year.

However, this was a lie from the government. Because the processing time to apply for visa 887 or pr is actually longer than the requirement of visa 489. Currently the processing time for visa 887 is now 21 months to 26 months.

Speaking for myself, it's a big loss for my employer and extremely hard to plan my future. Please allow me to tell you more.

My fiance lives in a non-regional area. After we get married, we plan to move to a regional area near Brisbane city such as Greenbank. So he can continue running his own business. I have been looking at the job market and there's no accountant job there. So I will be out of job for many months until my visa 887 is approved.

Moreover, my current employer is happy to relocate me to another branch. However, they will lose employees due to the restriction.

We have solid evidence proving the government intentionally dragged this processing time.

1. Only 1-2 case officers were assigned each day for visa 887 (information attached) for at least 6200+ applications.

- As there are about 4400 applications on hand at the end of Oct 2020 and about 700 applications lodged each month

For additional number of applications please find below link:

<https://www.homeaffairs.gov.au/foi/files/2021/fa-210100009-document-released.pdf?fbclid=IwAR3lQswAp2riU5P2Tuaor8xfEgSZKMPHkkmVpaAm9rLLS7eOTezDkLsc0oY>

2. Processing time has increased from a maximum of 6 months to 26 months.

3. This visa has been classified as least priority.

Please find below one of many petitions we created.

https://www.aph.gov.au/petition_list?id=EN2321&fbclid=IwAR1NltRcmgPYO9ADrhQBk61DXz--lxZTChRhQtUxZLhoHboP79Qbg65V3vk

If you would like to interview us please feel free to find us on facebook group and search "887 visa".

Thank you.