



Appendix F: Glossary of key terms

Area Consultative Committee (ACC)

These bring together key business, regional and community representatives to identify priorities and opportunities for employment and regional growth. They form a key regional network for the Commonwealth Government.

Assurance of Support

A commitment to provide financial support for the person applying to migrate. It is also a legal commitment to repay to the Commonwealth of Australia any recoverable social security payments made to those covered by the assurance. It is in force from the date of arrival in Australia and lasts for two years.

Business Advisory Panel (BAP)

The Business Advisory Panel advises on ways in which business entry can be made more responsive to the needs of Australian business, while maintaining the integrity of the immigration system.

Business Skill schemes

A range of mechanisms not primarily designed to promote State-specific migration but which permit governments to sponsor business owners, executives, etc, and involve certain concessions for business applicants.

Designated Areas

State/Territory	Designated Areas
Victoria*	All
South Australia	All
Northern Territory	All
Tasmania	All
Australian Capital Territory	All
Queensland	All except urban Brisbane, Sunshine Coast and Gold Coast ¹
Western Australia	All except Perth Metropolitan area ²
New South Wales	All except Sydney, Newcastle and Wollongong ³

Source www.immi.gov.au/allforms/bus-reg1

“Exceptional”

A visa approved as a result of a waiver of conditions normally applicable to that visa, such as amount of training, age, qualifications, language skills, etc.

Family Stream

Those categories of the Migration Program whereby core eligibility criteria focus on a close family relationship with an Australian citizen or permanent resident sponsor.

Humanitarian

Australia's permanent immigration program is separated into two components - **Humanitarian** for refugees and others with humanitarian needs, and **Migration** (or non-Humanitarian) for Skilled and Family stream migrants.

Independent Migrants

Independent Migrants constitute those persons with education, skills and work experience who are likely to be employed and contribute to the Australian

1 Includes postcode areas 4350-4499 and 4600-4899.

2 Includes postcode areas 6200-6799.

3 Includes postcode areas 2311-2312, 2328-2333, 2336-2490, 2535-2551, 2575-2739 and 2787-2898.

economy quickly. They form the largest component of Skilled migrants entering Australia each year.

Independent Executive Category (457IE)

Allows temporary stay in Australia of up to 4 years for people who have a genuine commitment to establishing, or obtaining an interest in, and actively managing a business which is of benefit to Australia.

The IE category forms a feeder group for the EBA and REBA categories.

LSIA

Longitudinal Survey of Immigrants to Australia

Migrants not in the Labour force

Immigrants not in the labour force includes the very young, the elderly and immigrants who choose to stay in the home.

Migration Program

The planned annual permanent intake (excluding humanitarian immigrants), determined by the Government. The Migration Program predetermines the number of visas granted for permanent entry from offshore and for permanent resident status onshore.

Net Overseas Migration (NOM)

The net addition and loss to Australia's resident population.

Non-Humanitarian

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ORE

Occupations Requiring English

Settler Arrivals

Persons arriving with the intention to settle and live in Australia.

Skill Level

Many statistical collections refer to distinctions between skill levels.

- ***Skilled***

Managers and Administrators, Professionals, Associate Professionals, Tradespersons and Related Workers, and Advanced Clerical and Service Workers.

- ***Semi-skilled***

Intermediate Clerical, Sales and Service Workers and Intermediate Production and Transport Workers.

- ***Unskilled***

Elementary Clerical, Sales and Service Workers and Labourers and Related Workers.

Skill Stream

Those categories of the Migration Program whereby core eligibility criteria focus on the applicants employability (ie skills or qualifications) or ability to invest and/or do business in Australia.

Suitable Skills and Qualifications

A degree, diploma or trade certificate qualification, which is recognised in Australia.