



Standing Committee on Education and Community Inclusion

Inquiry into Annual and Financial Reports 2022-2023

ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Asked by James Milligan MLA:

Reference: CMTEDD AR Volume 1, p.88

In relation to: Skilled Migration 2

(1) Can the Minister please advise the number of visa subclass 491 applicants accepted by the ACT Government for the following financial years 2002-23.

(2) Can the Minister please advise the number of visa subclass 491 accepted by the ACT Government in 2022-23 that met the following critical skills:

- a) Finance Managers (132211)
- b) Advertising Manager (131113)
- c) Human Resource Manager (132311)
- d) Accountant (General) (221111)
- e) Management Accountant (221112)
- f) Taxation Accountant (221113)
- g) Company Secretary (221211)
- h) External Auditor (221213)
- i) Internal Auditor (221214)
- j) Financial Investment Advisor (222311)
- k) Financial Investment Manager (222312)
- l) Veterinarian (234711)
- m) Physiotherapist (252511); and
- n) Solicitors (271311)

Chris Steel MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

- 1) The ACT is allocated a fixed number of visa nomination places each financial year by the Australian Government. Skilled migrants can apply with the ACT Government for ACT nomination for a Skilled Nominated (subclass 190) and Skilled Work Regional (subclass 491) visa. ACT nomination triggers a visa invitation from the Department of Home Affairs, it does not guarantee a migration outcome.

The 491 visa was introduced in 2019, therefore there were no approvals before the 2019-20 financial year. The number of approvals for visa subclass 491 nomination applications, per financial year since its commencement in 2019 to 2022-23 is provided in the table below.

Financial Year:	Total Applications Approved
2019-20	198
2020-21	597
2021-22	1,400
2022-23	2,025

- 2) The number of approvals for visa subclass 491 nomination applications in the 2022-23 financial year, for each of the occupations specified, is provided in the table below.

	ANZSCO Code	ANZSCO Occupation	Total Applications Approved (2022-23)
a	132211	Finance Managers	59
b	131113	Advertising Manager	0
c	132311	Human Resource Manager	14
d	221111	Accountant (General)	72
e	221112	Management Accountant	3
f	221113	Taxation Accountant	0
g	221211	Company Secretary	2
h	221213	External Auditor	33
i	221214	Internal Auditor	8
j	222311	Financial Investment Advisor	13
k	222312	Financial Investment Manager	4
l	234711	Veterinarian	0
m	252511	Physiotherapist	0
n	271311	Solicitors	4

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Signature:



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By the Minister for Skills, Chris Steel MLA