

State Sponsored Migration Opportunities



Whether you are a skilled or business migrant, there has never been a better time to move to South Australia. The capital city, Adelaide, is one of the most liveable cities in the world. It offers a Mediterranean climate with beautiful beaches, year round festivals and sport, world-class wineries, cafés and restaurants.

In Adelaide, you and your family may be able to afford a bigger house with a smaller mortgage and benefit from affordable education in quality schools and a choice of five top universities. Unemployment is low and with the economy steady, there are job opportunities in a variety of industries. So, if you want to live in a place that's going ahead but still has a relaxed, friendly lifestyle – then South Australia is the place for you.



Immigration South Australia

The Government of South Australia, through its key agency, Immigration South Australia, coordinates and drives the State's international migration programs.

The Government of South Australia values the contribution that business people make to our economy through increased exports, investment, job creation and the introduction of new and improved technology.

Skilled people are also warmly welcomed to meet the State's skills needs.

Sponsorships for eligible business and skilled migrants are available from Immigration South Australia to facilitate visa grants from the Australian Department of Immigration and Citizenship.

The following is an overview of the sponsorships on offer through Immigration SA for business and skilled migrants.

Business Migration

State/Territory Sponsored Business Owner (Provisional) visa subclass 163: This visa is available to owners or part-owners of businesses. This is a provisional visa which allows the holder to establish or conduct a business in South Australia. The visa is valid for a period of four years with the applicant able to apply for permanent residency at a later stage.

State/Territory Sponsored Senior Executive (Provisional) visa subclass 164: This visa is available to Senior Executives who have occupied a position in the three highest levels of the management structure of a major business. This is a provisional visa which allows the holder to establish or conduct a business in South Australia. The visa is valid for a period of four years with the intention of the applicant applying for permanent residency at a later stage.

State/Territory Sponsored Investor (Provisional) visa subclass 165: This visa is available to people who are owners or part-owners of businesses or have direct involvement in eligible investments. This is a provisional visa which requires the holder to invest a designated amount (minimum of AUD\$750,000) into the South Australian Government Financing Authority bonds and also allows the holder to establish or conduct a business in South Australia. This visa is valid for a period of four years with the applicant able to apply for permanent residency at a later stage. Depending on meeting the eligibility criteria, this visa offers the choice to apply for either Business Owner (Permanent) visa subclass 892 or Investor (Permanent) visa subclass 893.

Business Talent (Permanent) visa subclass 132: For those highly successful business applicants who qualify for this visa, South Australia offers an appealing destination for settlement and business establishment. This is a permanent visa which allows the holder to establish or conduct a business in South Australia that will provide ongoing benefits to the South Australian economy.

State/Territory Sponsored Business Owner (Permanent) visa subclass 892: This is a second stage permanent visa that is available to a holder of a qualifying provisional visa. To be eligible for this visa, the applicant must have operated a business in South Australia for at least two years immediately before the application is made and meets the Australian Department of Immigration and Citizenship criteria.



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State/Territory Sponsored Investor (Permanent) visa subclass 893: This is a second stage permanent visa that is available to holders of a valid Investor (Provisional) visa subclass 165. To be eligible to apply for the visa, there is a requirement that the applicant has held a designated investment (minimum of AUD\$750,000) in South Australia Government Financing Authority bonds for a period of four years and meets the Australian Department of Immigration and Citizenship criteria.

General Skilled Migration

Skilled – Sponsored (Permanent) visa subclass 176 (off-shore)/886 (on-shore): This visa allows the Government of South Australia, through Immigration SA to sponsor suitably qualified candidates who meet the Australian Department of Immigration and Citizenship criteria (including the current 'Pass Mark') and have a skill or occupation that is listed on South Australia's List of Skills for Permanent Sponsorships.

Skilled – Regional Sponsored (Provisional) visa subclass 475 (off-shore)/487 (on-shore): This visa allows the Government of South Australia, through Immigration SA to sponsor suitably qualified candidates who meet the Australian Department of Immigration and Citizenship criteria (including the current 'Pass Mark') and have a skill or occupation that is listed on South Australia's List of Skills for Provisional Sponsorships on the Immigration SA website. This is a three year visa and applicants who have lived in 'regional*' Australia for two years and worked full-time for 12 months may qualify for permanent residency. *The entire State of South Australia is defined as 'regional' and Adelaide is the only mainland State capital included in this definition. One of the requirements for successful Sponsorship is that applicants are required to commit to living in South Australia for at least two years and that they must demonstrate sufficient funds to sustain themselves (and their family) while they are seeking employment. Prospective migrants need to be aware that Sponsorship does not guarantee employment. Migrants are responsible for securing employment themselves once they arrive in South Australia.

Employer Sponsored

Regional Sponsored Migration Scheme (Permanent) visa subclass 119 (off-shore)/857 (On-shore): The visa assists South Australian employers fill skilled, full-time vacancies that they cannot fill from the local labour market. Under this scheme, employers may nominate workers from overseas or temporary residents already in Australia by first lodging a nomination with Immigration SA for certification.

Temporary (Long Stay) Business visa subclass 457: This is the most commonly used program for employers to sponsor skilled overseas workers to work in Australia on a temporary basis. Please note this does not require certification with Immigration SA, therefore please visit the Department of Immigration and Citizenship's website for further information: www.immi.gov.au/skilled/skilled-workers/sbs/



Services

A range of services are available to business, skilled and employer sponsored visa holders, depending on the nature of the visa. For more information about how Immigration SA can help you with Sponsorship and eligibility for services, visit www.migration.sa.gov.au

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Please Note: The Government of South Australia is not responsible for processing visa applications. If you wish to migrate to South Australia, you will need to apply for a visa through the Department of Immigration and Citizenship.



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