



## Freedom of Information Request – FA 26/01/00545

**Notes:**

1. Source: Department of Home Affairs
2. Occupation ceilings form part of the policy guidance for management of the Skilled Independent (subclass 189) and Skilled Work Regional (Provisional) (Family Sponsored) (Subclass 491) visa programs. **Occupation ceilings are subject to change and implementation of this policy guidance is subject to operational circumstances, relevant Ministerial Directions and other priorities of the Australian Government.** Occupation ceilings do not necessarily reflect the final outcomes of the program
3. Occupation ceilings apply to the Skilled Independent (subclass 189) and Skilled Work Regional (Provisional) (Family Sponsored stream) (subclass 491) visa programs. Occupation ceilings do not apply to Employer Sponsored or State and Territory Nominated skilled visa programs.

**Caveats:**

- This information is provided for the specific purpose of this request.
- Please note that visa figures may vary between reports/data sources. Regarding Immigration data, the Department's current policy is to mask numbers which are less than five as <5, or where the inclusion of other figures enable determining a masked value.

The ceiling for each occupation under all four tiers of the Subclass 189 visa in the 2025–26 financial year						
Unit Code	Occupation Tier	Multiplier	Average stock figure	Occupation Ceiling adjusted	Grants in PY24/25 to 491/494/186/190	Remaining places PY25/26
2544 Registered Nurses	1	4%	348233	13929	3539	10,390
2539 Other Medical Practitioners	1	4%	20749	830	183	647
2533 Specialist Physicians	1	4%	14449	578	105	473