

AUSTRALIA

Investor Stream Visa 188B



Advantages

- Ability to work or study in Australia
- Economic prosperity and growing job market
- Safe living environment and highest standard of living in the world
- Tropical weather and industrial cities
- Subsidized healthcare system
- Rich multiculturalism

Requirements

- Be under 55 years of age
- English language proficiency
- Score at least 65 on the points test
- Must meet Australian health and character requirements
- Investment of at least AUD 1.5 million in an Australian State or Territory for at least 4 years
- Have business and personal net assets of at least AUD 2.25 million, by the applicant and/or spouse, in the 2 fiscal years preceding the filing date
- Have a genuine intention to live for at least 2 years out of the 4 in the state or territory in which you have made a designated investment
- Have high management skill and over 3 years of managing a qualifying business or eligible investments
- Have an overall successful record of qualifying business activities or eligible investments
- In at least 1 out of the 5 years prior to submission, the applicant and/or spouse have:
 - Managed a "qualifying business" in which the applicant had at least 10% ownership interest; or
 - Managed "eligible investments" of at least AUD 1.5 million

Investment Options

- Make an investment of at least AUD 1.5 million in a State or Territory's government bonds using unencumbered funds accumulated from a qualifying business or eligible investment.
- Investment must be held for at least 4 years from the date of issue in your nominating state or territory. Investment is guaranteed and receive interest. The interest rate is based on the day the funds are invested.
- If withdrawn the investment will be notified and Visa cancelled.

Process

- Applications must be made using the 'Skill Select' online service provided by the Australian Department of immigration and Border Protection
- Applicants must submit an Expression of Interest (EOI) in "Skill Select" in order to be nominated by a State or Territory Government
- After submission of EOI and nomination from a State or Territory government, the applicant will lodge the visa application through Skill Select
- If the application is accepted the investor will be advised when to make the complying investment after which the visa will be issued
- The visa is for a duration of 4 years and 3 months with a minimum physical residency., right before filling the permanent residence application for the applicant and immediate family