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Your details

All fields are optional, however an email address OR full postal address must be provided for us to process your request. An email address and telephone contact number will assist us to contact you quickly if we need to discuss your request.

Title:

First Name:

Last Name:

Business/Organisation:

Address:

Suburb:

Postcode:

State/Territory:

Phone/mobile:

Email address:

Request for information

(Please provide as much detail as possible, for example subject matter and relevant dates, and also provide details of documents that you are not interested in.)

Dear Team, I hope this message finds you well. I would like to request the following information held by the ACT Government regarding the ACT Canberra Matrix Submission. Information held my ACT Government in regards to the Canberra Matrix Submission for 190 and 491 for the following ANZSCO Unit Group(s) 3131 ICT Support Technicians 2632 ICT Support and Test Engineers 2631 Computer Network Professionals 2621 Database and Systems Administrators, and ICT Security Specialists 2613 Software and Applications Programmers 2612 Multimedia Specialists and Web Developers 2611 ICT Business and Systems Analysts 2252 ICT Sales Professionals 2232 ICT Trainers 1351 ICT Managers Information Required for 190 : 1. Canberra Matrices Points Submitted from 01 Jan 2024 till current date and the No. of matrices submitted for all the respective unit group(s) For e.g. 3131 ICT Support Technicians 125 points - 8 Matrices submitted (Date of the matrix submitted earliest) 120 points - 5 Matrices Submitted (Date of the matrix submitted earliest) 110 points - 4 Matrices Submitted (Date of the matrix submitted earliest) 105 points - 9 Matrices Submitted (Date of the matrix submitted earliest) 100 points - 12 Matrices Submitted (Date of the matrix submitted earliest) 95 points - 15 Matrices

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2016 I

want to access the following document/s (*required field):

Submitted (Date of the matrix submitted earliest) and so on till 65 points. The above one serves as an example. The Information is required for all the unit groups listed earlier. Information Required for 491 : 1. Canberra Matrices Points Submitted from 01 Jan 2024 till current date and the No. of matrices submitted for the respective unit group For e.g. 3131 ICT Support Technicians 125 points - 8 Matrices submitted (Date of the matrix submitted earliest) 120 points - 5 Matrices Submitted (Date of the matrix submitted earliest) 110 points - 4 Matrices Submitted (Date of the matrix submitted earliest) 105 points - 9 Matrices Submitted (Date of the matrix submitted earliest) 100 points - 12 Matrices Submitted (Date of the matrix submitted earliest) 95 points - 15 Matrices Submitted (Date of the matrix submitted earliest) and so on till 65 points. The above one serves as an example. The Information is required for all the unit groups listed earlier. The above information is not available publicly on ACT government website and therefore I would like to access the information using the Freedom of Information ACT. If you need any more information, please feel free to reach out to me on the email provided. In case you are not able to provide the requested information, please briefly explain the reason and where one can access the requested information. I would really appreciate your help regarding the matter. Kind Regards [REDACTED]

I do not want to access the following documents in relation to my request::

Any document or Information that is linked to me, or any individual or business that reveals their identity including Name, employer name, business name etc. Any information or document that is classified and is not meant to be public.

Thank you.
Freedom of Information Coordinator



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Our ref: CMTEDDFOI 2024-221



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST – NOTICE OF DECISION

I refer to your application under section 30 of the *Freedom of Information Act 2016* (the Act), received by the Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate (CMTEDD) on 15 July 2024.

Specifically, you have sought access to the following information:

“....I would like to request the following information held by the ACT Government regarding the ACT Canberra Matrix Submission. Information held by ACT Government in regards to the Canberra Matrix Submission for 190 and 491 for the following ANZSCO Unit Group(s) 3131 ICT Support Technicians 2632 ICT Support and Test Engineers 2631 Computer Network Professionals 2621 Database and Systems Administrators, and ICT Security Specialists 2613 Software and Applications Programmers 2612 Multimedia Specialists and Web Developers 2611 ICT Business and Systems Analysts 2252 ICT Sales Professionals 2232 ICT Trainers 1351 ICT Managers Information Required for 190 : 1. Canberra Matrices Points Submitted from 01 Jan 2024 till current date and the No. of matrices submitted for all the respective unit group(s) For e.g. 3131 ICT Support Technicians 125 points - 8 Matrices submitted (Date of the matrix submitted earliest) 120 points - 5 Matrices Submitted (Date of the matrix submitted earliest) 110 points - 4 Matrices Submitted (Date of the matrix submitted earliest) 105 points - 9 Matrices Submitted (Date of the matrix submitted earliest) 100 points - 12 Matrices Submitted (Date of the matrix submitted earliest) 95 points - 15 Matrices Submitted (Date of the matrix submitted earliest) and so on till 65 points. The above one serves as an example. The Information is required for all the unit groups listed earlier. Information Required for 491 : 1. Canberra Matrices Points Submitted from 01 Jan 2024 till current date and the No. of matrices submitted for the respective unit group For e.g. 3131 ICT Support Technicians 125 points - 8 Matrices submitted (Date of the matrix submitted earliest) 120 points - 5 Matrices Submitted (Date of the matrix submitted earliest) 110 points - 4 Matrices Submitted (Date of the matrix submitted earliest) 105 points - 9 Matrices Submitted (Date of the matrix submitted earliest) 100 points - 12 Matrices Submitted (Date of the matrix submitted earliest) 95 points - 15 Matrices Submitted (Date of the matrix submitted earliest) and so on till 65 points. The above one serves as an example. The Information is required for all the unit groups listed earlier. The above information is not available publicly on ACT government website and therefore I would like to access the information using the Freedom of Information ACT...”

Authority

I am an Information Officer appointed by the CMTEDD Director-General under section 18 of the Act to deal with access applications made under Part 5 of the Act.

Timeframes

In accordance with section 40 of the Act, CMTEDD is required to provide a decision on your access application within 30 days.

Therefore, a decision is due by **26 August 2024**.

Decision on access

Searches were completed for relevant information and the business area has generated a written response, specifically addressing each section of your application.

I have decided to grant **partial access** to the material within scope. The information being released to you is provided at **Attachment A**.

Statement of Reasons

In accordance with section 54(2) of the Act a statement of reasons outlining my decisions is below. In reaching my access decisions, I have taken the following into account:

- the Act
- the information that falls within the scope of your request
- *Human Rights Act 2004*

As a decision maker, I am required to determine whether the information within scope is in the public interest to release. To make this decision, I am required to:

- assess whether the information would be contrary to public interest to disclose as per **Schedule 1** of the Act.
- perform the public interest test as set out in section 17 of the Act by balancing the factors favouring disclosure and factors favouring non-disclosure in **Schedule 2** of the Act.

There are no Schedule 1 provisions relevant to the information in scope of this request.

Public Interest Test

The Act has a presumption in favour of disclosure. As a decision maker I am required to decide where, on balance, public interest lies. As part of this process, I must consider factors favouring disclosure and non-disclosure.

In *Hogan v Hinch* (2011) 243 CLR 506, [31] French CJ stated that when ‘used in a statute, the term [public interest] derives its content from “the subject matter and the scope and purpose” of the enactment in which it appears’. Section 17(1) of the Act sets out the test, to be applied to determine whether disclosure of information would be contrary to the public interest. These factors are found in subsection 17(2) and Schedule 2 of the Act.

Schedule 2: Factors to be considered when deciding the public interest.

Taking into consideration the information contained in the documents found to be within the scope of your request, I have identified that the following public interest factors are relevant to determine if release of the information contained within these documents is within the ‘public interest’.

Factors favouring disclosure (Section 2.1)

- *Section 2.1(a)(i) - promote open discussion of public affairs and enhance the government's accountability.*
- *Section 2.1(a)(ii) - contribute to positive and informed debate on important issues or matters of public interest.*

Statistical information from Skills Canberra can provide insight on the number of applications received for a specific occupation or visa type of interest. It is reasonable to expect that this information can contribute to positive and informed debate on visa application matters.

I am satisfied that these factors favouring disclosure carry some weight. However, these factors are to be balanced against the factors favouring nondisclosure.

Factors favouring nondisclosure (Section 2.2)

- *Section 2.2(a)(ii) - prejudice the protection of an individual's right to privacy or any other right under the Human Rights Act 2004.*

When considering this information against the factors favouring nondisclosure, I am satisfied that the protection of an individual's right to privacy is a significant factor. Where there is fewer than ten applications received for each occupation and visa type the possibility of the individuals to be identified is high. Therefore, the information regarding the number of applications as well as the date of the first application have been redacted in order to protect the privacy of the individuals who did not give consent to publish their identities.

Having applied the test outlined in section 17 of the Act and deciding that release of personal information contained in the documents is not in the public interest to release, I have chosen to redact this specific information in accordance with section 50(2). Noting the pro-disclosure intent of the Act, I am satisfied that redacting only the information that I believe is not in the public interest to release will ensure that the intent of the Act is met and will provide you with access to the majority of the information held by CMTEDD within the scope of your request.

Charges

Processing charges are not applicable for this request because the number of pages released to you is below the charging threshold of 50.

Online publishing – Disclosure Log

Under section 28 of the Act, CMTEDD maintains an online record of access applications called a [disclosure log](#).

Your original access application and my decision will be published on the CMTEDD disclosure log. Your personal contact details will not be published.

Ombudsman Review

My decision on your access request is a reviewable decision as identified in Schedule 3 of the Act. You have the right to seek Ombudsman review of this outcome under section 73 of the Act within 20 working days from the day that my decision is provided to you, or a longer period allowed by the Ombudsman.

We recommend using this form [Applying for an Ombudsman Review](#) to ensure you provide all of the required information. Alternatively, you may write to the Ombudsman at:

The ACT Ombudsman
GPO Box 442
CANBERRA ACT 2601

Via email: actfoi@ombudsman.gov.au

ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal (ACAT) Review

Under section 84 of the Act, if a decision is made under section 82(1) on an Ombudsman review, you may apply to the ACAT for review of the Ombudsman decision. Further information may be obtained from the ACAT at:

ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal
GPO Box 370
Canberra City ACT 2601
Telephone: (02) 6207 1740
<http://www.acat.act.gov.au/>

Should you have any queries in relation to your request please contact the Information Access Team by telephone on 6207 7754 or email CMTEDDFOI@act.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



Katharine Stuart
Information Officer
Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate

26 August 2024

FOI Data on 190 and 491 Visas

Applications from 1 January 2024 to 18 July 2024

The tables below include the requested occupational code (ANZSCO) to four digits. The leftmost column includes the score of the application, followed by the number of visa type applications received and the date of the first application, for 190 and 491 visas, respectively.

NOTE: Where fewer than ten applications have been received, it is highly recommended the date of the first application is omitted to reduce the likelihood of individuals being identified.

Occupation code 3131 ICT Support Technicians

Application Score	Visa 190	First Application	Visa 491	First Application
65	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)		12	29/01/2024
70	16	05/01/2024	22	19/01/2024
75	21	05/01/2024	34	01/01/2024
80	24	03/01/2024	45	02/01/2024
85	25	08/01/2024	38	05/01/2024
90	46	12/01/2024	40	12/01/2024
95	27	30/01/2024	21	23/02/2024
100	13	30/01/2024	14	15/01/2024
105	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)		Sch 2.2(a)(ii)	
110	0		Sch 2.2(a)(ii)	
125	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)		0	
Total	189		233	

Occupation Code 2632 ICT Support and Test Engineers

Application Score	Visa 190	First Application	Visa 491	First Application
65	24	03/01/2024	35	04/01/2024
70	21	02/01/2024	33	02/01/2024
75	23	09/01/2024	36	04/01/2024
80	50	05/01/2024	48	15/01/2024
85	43	06/01/2024	59	09/01/2024
90	49	02/01/2024	53	02/01/2024
95	50	08/01/2024	50	05/01/2024
100	20	23/01/2024	30	23/01/2024
105	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)		Sch 2.2(a)(ii)	
110	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)		Sch 2.2(a)(ii)	
115	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)		Sch 2.2(a)(ii)	
120	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)		Sch 2.2(a)(ii)	
125	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)		Sch 2.2(a)(ii)	
155	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)		Sch 2.2(a)(ii)	
Total	301		358	

Occupation Code 2631 Computer Network Professionals

Application Score	Visa 190	First Application	Visa 491	First Application
65	38	02/01/2024	61	01/01/2024
70	36	11/01/2024	55	09/01/2024
75	51	03/01/2024	73	03/01/2024
80	57	08/01/2024	94	08/01/2024
85	45	05/01/2024	73	03/01/2024
90	53	09/01/2024	65	02/01/2024
95	37	12/01/2024	51	04/01/2024
100	35	08/01/2024	40	28/01/2024
105	16	04/01/2024	15	14/01/2024
110	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)		Sch 2.2(a)(ii)	
115	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)		Sch 2.2(a)(ii)	
120	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)		Sch 2.2(a)(ii)	
125	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)		Sch 2.2(a)(ii)	
145	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)		Sch 2.2(a)(ii)	
Total	384		532	

Occupation Code 2621 Database and Systems Administrators, and ICT Security Specialists

Application Score	Visa 190	First Application	Visa 491	First Application
65	40	06/01/2024	62	02/01/2024
70	42	03/01/2024	75	02/01/2024
75	51	03/01/2024	95	03/01/2024
80	97	03/01/2024	147	04/01/2024
85	91	03/01/2024	129	02/01/2024
90	113	03/01/2024	137	02/01/2024
95	73	02/01/2024	81	02/01/2024
100	37	19/01/2024	39	19/01/2024
105	11	31/01/2024	14	04/02/2024
110	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)		Sch 2.2(a)(ii)	
115	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)		Sch 2.2(a)(ii)	
120	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)		Sch 2.2(a)(ii)	
155	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)		Sch 2.2(a)(ii)	
Total	574		785	

Occupation Code 2613 Software and Applications Programmers

Application Score	Visa 190	First Application	Visa 491	First Application
65	221	02/01/2024	212	03/01/2024
70	125	02/01/2024	152	03/01/2024
75	129	02/01/2024	123	02/01/2024
80	109	02/01/2024	110	09/01/2024
85	103	04/01/2024	90	03/01/2024
90	74	08/01/2024	70	08/01/2024
95	37	15/01/2024	47	26/01/2024
100	28	07/01/2024	23	31/01/2024
105	19	02/01/2024	11	28/01/2024
110	19	10/01/2024	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)	
115	15	20/01/2024		
120	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)			
125	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)			
130	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)			
135	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)			
Total	904		841	

Occupation Code 2612 Multimedia Specialists and Web Developers

Application Score	Visa 190	First Application	Visa 491	First Application
65			10	04/01/2024
70	13	12/01/2024	24	11/01/2024
75	17	20/01/2024	29	08/01/2024
80	15	17/01/2024	27	10/01/2024
85	20	11/01/2024	32	03/01/2024
90	21	03/01/2024	32	03/01/2024
95	18	31/01/2024	18	31/01/2024
100	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)		Sch 2.2(a)(ii)	
105	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)		Sch 2.2(a)(ii)	
110	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)		Sch 2.2(a)(ii)	
115	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)			
120	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)			
150	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)			
160	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)			
Total	138		183	

Occupation Code 2611 ICT Business and Systems Analysts

Application Score	Visa 190	First Application	Visa 491	First Application
65	65	05/01/2024	88	02/01/2024
70	66	03/01/2024	104	04/01/2024
75	74	02/01/2024	123	02/01/2024
80	99	02/01/2024	124	02/01/2024
85	85	05/01/2024	109	02/01/2024
90	94	01/01/2024	112	04/01/2024
95	85	03/01/2024	90	03/01/2024
100	49	12/01/2024	49	02/01/2024
105	22	05/01/2024	14	09/01/2024
110	13	31/01/2024		
115	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)			
120	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)			
125	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)			
130	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)			
Total	674		827	

Occupation Code 2252 ICT Sales Professionals

Application Score	Visa 190	First Application	Visa 491	First Application
65	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)			
70	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)			
75	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)			
80	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)			
85	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)			
90	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)			
95	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)			
100	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)			
105	0		0	
110	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)		0	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)
Total	24		22	

Occupation Code 2232 ICT Trainers

Application Score	Visa 190	First Application	Visa 491	First Application
65	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)			
70	18	14/01/2024	42	03/01/2024
75	25	05/01/2024	55	05/01/2024
80	56	02/01/2024	100	02/01/2024
85	69	03/01/2024	110	02/01/2024
90	69	02/01/2024	101	02/01/2024
95	46	02/01/2024	55	23/01/2024
100	14	07/03/2024	11	21/03/2024
105	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)			
110	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)			
120	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)			
Total	313		502	

Occupation Code 1351 ICT Managers

Application Score	Visa 190	First Application	Visa 491	First Application
65	28	18/01/2024	42	08/01/2024
70	35	04/01/2024	81	02/01/2024
75	58	02/01/2024	91	02/01/2024
80	70	02/01/2024	118	02/01/2024
85	90	05/01/2024	134	02/01/2024
90	93	02/01/2024	132	02/01/2024
95	60	04/01/2024	77	04/01/2024
100	33	22/01/2024	34	08/01/2024
105	12	05/01/2024	12	26/03/2024
110	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)		Sch 2.2(a)(ii)	
115	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)		Sch 2.2(a)(ii)	
120	Sch 2.2(a)(ii)		0	
130	0		Sch 2.2(a)(ii)	
Total	489		727	