



A significant investment in your future

The Significant Investor visa is your gateway to Melbourne, consistently rated one of the world's most liveable cities.

The Victorian Government invites eligible high net worth individuals to live and invest in Melbourne through its flexible Significant Investor visa nomination program.

Melbourne has been consistently rated one of the world's most liveable cities in the world by the Economist Intelligence. More than 50 per cent of Australia's Significant Investor visa applicants choose Victoria because of Melbourne's strong economy, welcoming communities, diverse investment opportunities, clean living environment, world-class educational institutions and exceptional quality of life. It is the ideal place to enhance your prosperity and raise your family.

The Significant Investor visa

The Significant Investor visa is a stream of the Australian Government's Business Innovation and Investment (Provisional) visa (subclass 188) which can provide a pathway to permanent residence for individuals with demonstrated success in business or investment. The Significant Investor visa requires an investment of at least A\$5 million into the following complying investments:

- at least A\$500,000 in eligible Australian venture capital or growth private equity fund(s) investing in start-up and small private companies
- at least A\$1.5 million in an eligible managed fund(s) or Listed Investment Companies (LICs) that invest in eligible emerging companies
- a 'balancing investment' of up to A\$3 million in managed fund(s) or LICs that invest in a combination of eligible assets that include eligible securities, corporate bonds or notes, annuities and real property (subject to the 10 per cent limit on residential real estate).

To qualify to apply for permanent residency within four years, the primary visa holder must spend 40 days per year (or 160 cumulative days) in Australia during this time, or the secondary applicant (spouse) must reside in Australia for 180 days per year. The A\$5 million complying investment must be maintained for the duration of the visa.

Victorian Government visa nomination

The Victorian Government offers visa nomination to eligible investors whose investment activity will contribute economic benefit to Victoria. Visa nomination applications are assessed on their individual merits and must show evidence of economic contribution to Victoria.

Victorian visa nomination is fast and flexible, and provides a high level of choice within the Australian Government's complying investment framework for investors. Your application for Significant Investor visa nomination will receive priority processing within five working days and no fees will be charged.

For information visit: liveinmelbourne.vic.gov.au/investors



Significant Investor Services Directory

Victoria provides a free online listing of financial and business support services that can help Significant Investor visa holders establish business and investment activities in Victoria.

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Support services

Investor and business migrants who apply for Victorian visa nomination have access to support services including:

- dedicated relationship managers during their migration journey
- information on Victoria’s visa nomination requirements
- information on trade and investment in Victoria
- information resources on relocating and doing business in Victoria
- fast, flexible visa nomination at no charge.

Application process for business or investor visas



STEP 1:
EOI

Submit Expression of Interest through the Department of Home Affairs’ SkillSelect website, select visa stream and nominate ‘Victoria’: skillselect.gov.au



STEP 2:
NOMINATION

Apply for Victorian Government visa nomination through the Live in Melbourne website for the visa stream applied for in SkillSelect: liveinmelbourne.vic.gov.au



STEP 3:
APPLY

Once you are nominated by the Victorian Government you will be invited to lodge a visa application through the Department of Home Affairs’ SkillSelect system: skillselect.gov.au

