



Australian Government



Seasonal
Worker
Programme

The tourism industry Northern Australia Pilot and the Seasonal Worker Programme

The Northern Australia Tourism Pilot, which began in May 2016, has ceased.

Under the Pilot the Seasonal Worker Programme was opened to the tourism sector in the Northern Territory, parts of Western Australia, and Queensland above the Tropic of Capricorn.

The Pacific Labour Scheme (PLS) commenced on 1 July 2018 and is administered by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade. Employers with unmet labour demands in the tourism sector in rural and regional Australia, including in Northern Australia, can seek assistance through the PLS.

Further information on the PLS is available on the [Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade website](#)¹

To find a current list of approved employers, or to apply to become an Approved Employer, visit the [Seasonal Worker Programme website](#)²

Find out more

More information about the Seasonal Worker Programme can be found at:

Website: [Seasonal Worker Programme](#)³ and [Subclass 403 Temporary Work \(International Relations\) visa](#)⁴

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¹ <https://dfat.gov.au/geo/pacific/engagement/pacific-labour-mobility/Pages/default.aspx>

² www.dese.gov.au/seasonal-worker-programme

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⁴ <https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/temporary-work-403>

⁵ www.facebook.com/SWPAus