### Defence Web Stats - FY2023-24

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#### **Our Performance**

#### Reporting

In keeping with Australia's national interests and international obligations, Defence facilitates the responsible export of military and dual-use goods and technologies from Australia.

Defence Export Controls' quarterly permit statistics provide the number and types of export applications received and finalised, application processing timeframes, the estimated total value of permits issued, and the breakdown of permits issued to end-users by continent.

The statistics do not equate to actual exports, as there is no obligation to conduct or report on an activity under permit.

#### What are military and dual-use goods and technologies?

Permits are required for the export of military and dual-use goods and technologies that are defined by the Defence and Strategic Goods List.

Military goods include weapons, munitions and armour but also include items such as explosives, radios, simulators and training equipment that are used in civilian industries such as mining and manufacturing. Export permits are necessary for exports to support UN and other peacekeeping missions and for individual Australian sporting shooters to attend overseas events.

Dual-use items and technologies are generally used for civilian purposes but could also be used or adapted for use in a military program or contribute to the development and production of chemical, biological or nuclear weapons systems. Dual-use items can include chemicals for mineral processing, sensors and lasers for university research and development programs, or software and computer equipment

All applications are assessed on case-by-case basis in accordance with our legislation based export control provisions. This includes consideration of human rights, national security, regional security, foreign policy and international obligations.

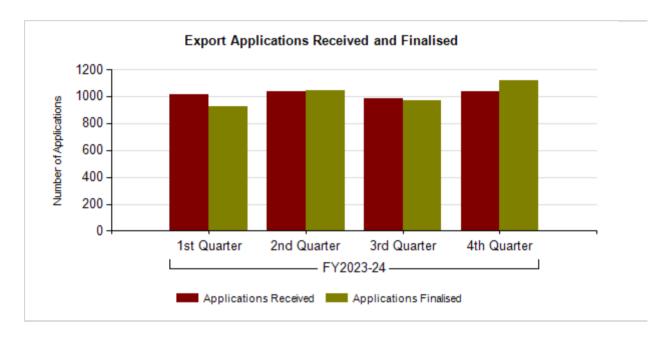
Details on arms transfers within scope of the Arms Trade Treaty are available on the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) website.

# **Export Application Statistics**

The statistics below describes the workload and key performance measures for DEC for FY2023-24

# **Export Applications**

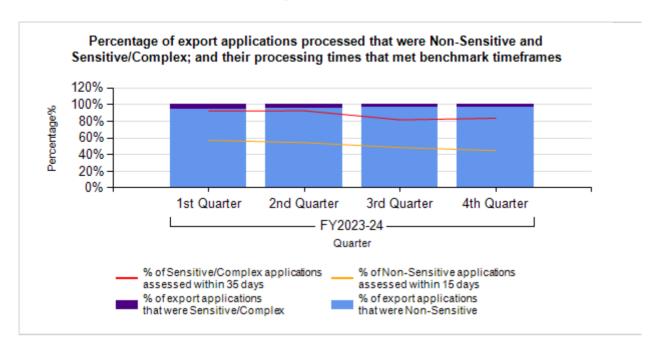
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Export Applications received and finalised for FY2023-24

	FY2023-24								
	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter	Total				
Applications Received	1013	1033	986	1035	4067				
Applications Finalised	923	1045	970	1117	4055				

## **Export Application Processing**



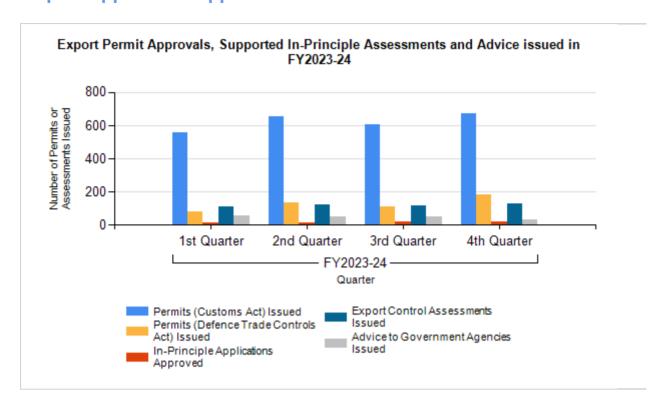
The percentage of export application processed that were Non-Sensitive and Sensitive/Complex for FY2023-24

	FY2023-24								
	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter	Average				
% of export applications that were Non-Sensitive	94%	96%	97%	97%	96%				
% of export applications that were Sensitive/Complex	6%	4%	3%	3%	4%				

The percentage of export applications processing times that met benchmark assessment timeframes for FY2023-24

	FY2023-24								
	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter	Average				
% of Non-Sensitive applications assessed within 15 days	57%	54%	49%	45%	51%				
% of Sensitive/Complex applications assessed within 35 days	92%	93%	82%	84%	88%				

## **Export Application Approvals and Assessments**



Export Permit Approvals, Supported In-Principle Assessments and Advice issued in FY2023-24

	FY2023-24									
	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter	Total					
Permits (Customs Act) Issued	555	654	605	674	2488					
Permits (Defence Trade Controls Act) Issued	81	133	112	181	507					
In-Principle Applications Approved	12	15	22	23	72					
Export Control Assessments Issued	108	125	115	131	479					
Advice to Government Agencies Issued	56	51	49	31	187					

# **Export Application Prohibitions and Denials**

Export denials under Regulations 13E of the *Customs Act 1901*, in-principle assessments not supported, and prohibitions under the *WMD (Weapons of Mass Destruction) Act* and Military End-Use provision for FY2023-24

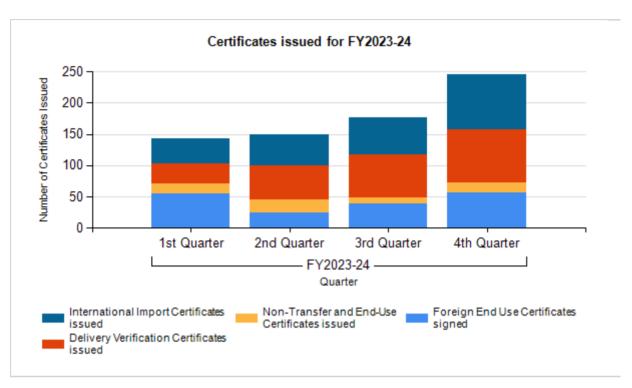
Export Application Prohibitions and Denials	FY2023-24				
	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter	Total
Denials (Customs Act)		1			1
In-Principle Applications Not Supported				6	6
Prohibition Notices (Defence Trade Controls Act)					
Prohibition Notices (Weapons of Mass Destruction Act)					
Prohibition Notices (Military End Use)	13	2		1	16
Prohibition Notices (Publications)					

# **Export Applications Withdrawn, Made Inactive, Lapsed and No Further Action Required**

Withdrawn, made inactive, lapsed, and no further action required for FY2023-24

Export Withdrawals or Lapsed	FY2023-24								
	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter	Total				
Withdrawn, Made Inactive or Lapsed	97	61	63	68	289				
No Further Action Required									

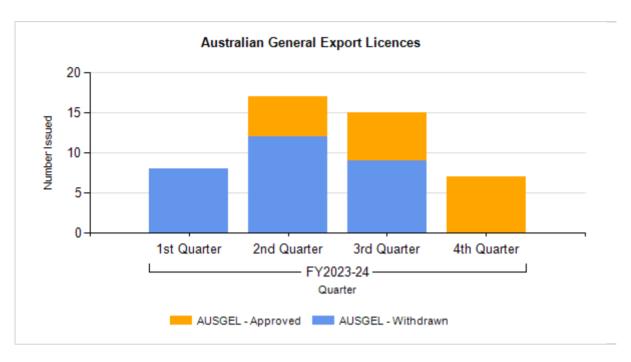
### **Certificate Statistics**



Certificates issued for FY2023-24

	FY2023-24							
	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter	Total			
International Import Certificates issued	40	51	58	88	237			
Delivery Verification Certificates issued	33	54	69	84	240			
Non-Transfer and End- Use Certificates issued	15	20	11	16	62			
Foreign End Use Certificates signed	55	25	38	57	175			

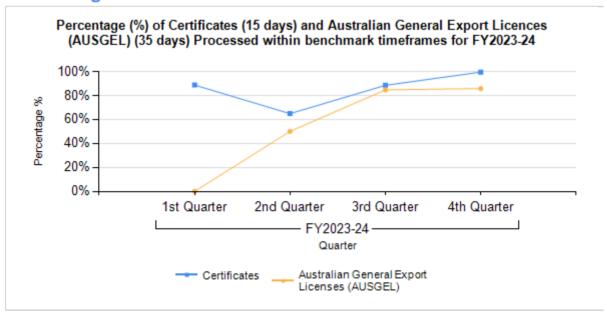
### **Australian General Export Licences (AUSGEL) Statistics**



#### AUSGELs issued in FY2023-24

	FY2023-24								
	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter	Total				
AUSGEL - Approved		5	6	7	18				
AUSGEL - Withdrawn	8	12	9		29				

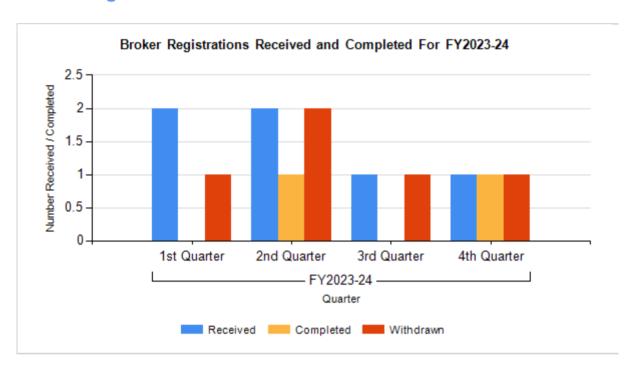
# **Certificates and Australian General Export Licences (AUSGEL) Processing**



Percentage of Certificates (15 days) and AUSGELs (35 days) processed within benchmark timeframes for FY2023-24

	FY2023-24									
	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter	Average					
Certificates	89%	65%	88%	99%	85%					
Australian General Export Licenses (AUSGEL)	0%	50%	85%	86%	73%					

# **Broker Registration**



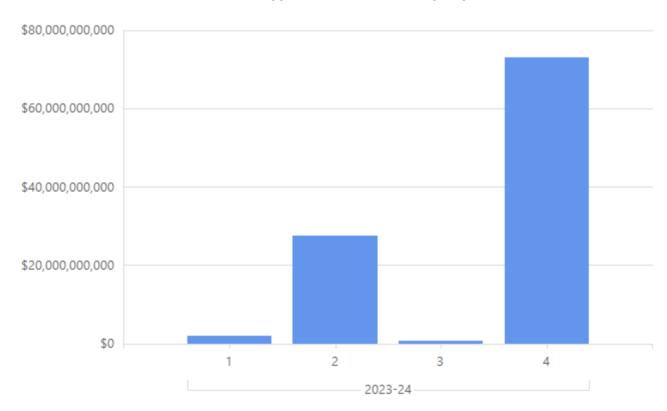
#### Broker Registrations received and completed for FY2023-24

	FY2023-24									
	1st Quarter 2nd Quarter 3rd Quarter 4th Quarter Total									
Received	2	2	1	1	6					
Completed		1		1	2					
Withdrawn	1	2	1	1	5					

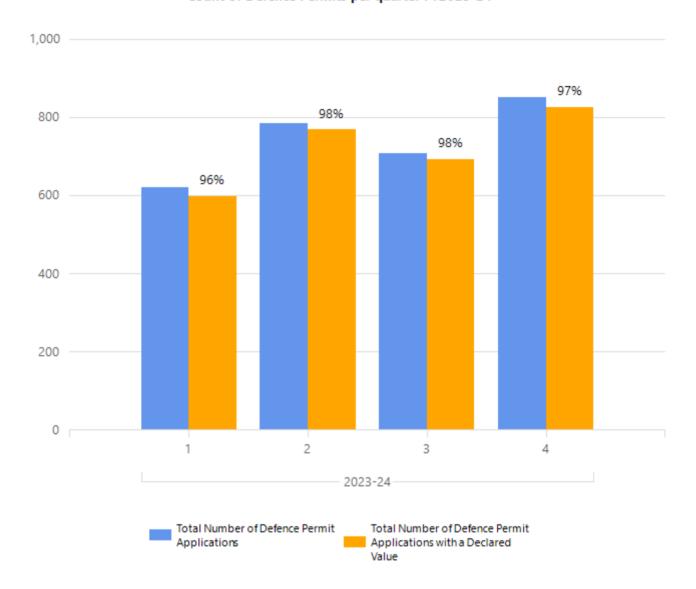
## **Estimated Value of Approved Defence Permits**

**Caveats on statistics in this section:** From 1 January 2018 onwards, applicants have been required to include their estimation of the total value of their export over the life of the permit. Some permits extend over multiple years. Year-to-year comparisons of export values could therefore be misleading.

Estimated Value (in AUD) of Approved Defence Permits per quarter FY2023-24



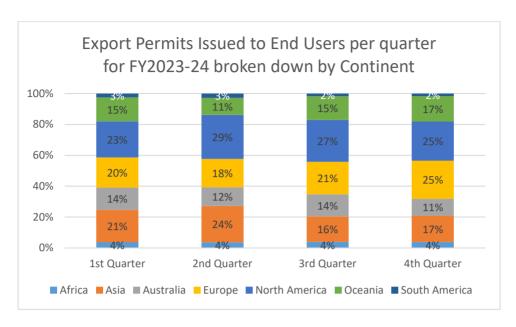
### Count of Defence Permits per quarter FY2023-24



# Estimated value of Defence permits issued and percentage of permits with a declared value by Financial Years

	Quarter	Total # Permits	# Permits with Values	% of Defence Permits with a Declared Value	Estimated Value on Approved Defence Permits
2023-24	Total	2,966	2,885	97%	\$103,083,990,076
	1	621	599	96%	\$1,848,941,578
	2	785	768	98%	\$27,400,997,003
	3	709	693	98%	\$697,845,652
	4	851	825	97%	\$73,136,205,842

## **Export Permits Issued to End Users by Region**



<sup>\*</sup> Export Permits issued to Australian end users relate to temporary exports. Temporary exports include but not limited to: demonstration or repair and return.

#### Export permits issued to End Users (by Region) by Financial Years

	FY2021-22	FY2022-23		FY2023-24			
	Average	Average	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter	Average
Africa	4%	4%	3%	4%	4%	4%	4%
Asia	19%	18%	21%	19%	21%	22%	21%
Australia	13%	16%	14%	10%	15%	14%	13%
Europe	21%	20%	21%	24%	20%	21%	22%
North America	26%	28%	28%	31%	27%	26%	28%
Oceania	15%	11%	12%	10%	10%	10%	10%
South America	2%	2%	1%	1%	2%	3%	2%