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Defence Export Controls

Summary Report

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Key Information and Caveats

- The data in this report relates to permits approved by Defence for the export of goods and technologies on the Defence and Strategic Goods List (DSGL). The DSGL is available at: <https://www.legislation.gov.au/F2024L01024/asmade/text>
- Each export permit has been assessed on a case-by-case basis against the relevant legislated criteria under Australia's export control framework. These criteria are available at: <https://www.legislation.gov.au/F2013L00902/latest/text> (Defence Trade Controls Regulation 2013 – Section 8).
- The data contained in this report is not representative of the total number of permits approved by Defence.
 - Approved permits may contain multiple destinations. Where two or more destinations appear on the same permit, they are individually counted against each destination.
 - Approved permits under Part 2 of the Defence and Strategic Goods List may cover multiple categories. When two or more categories appear on the same permit, they are individually counted against each category (relevant only to counts by Category of the Defence Strategic Goods List).
- Data in this report is drawn from a live transactional database. It is a point-in-time reference
- Permit approvals should not be conflated with weapons sales. Export permits are required for a wide range of goods and technology, many of which are used for civilian and commercial purposes. This includes where items must return to their original manufacturer for maintenance and repairs.
- Export permits are also required to support the export of controlled goods and technology in support of Commonwealth capabilities, such as the manufacture and sustainment of ADF equipment.
- Permit approvals should also not be conflated with completed exports, as there is no requirement to complete an export once a permit is issued.
- Export permits issued to Australian end-users relate to temporary exports. Temporary exports include but are not limited to demonstration, or repair and return. Not all temporary permits list Australia as an end-user.
- Where there are 1-4 approved permits for a certain type of category, this data is captured as "<5". Specifying small numbers of permits to specific destinations may enable the permit holders to be identified, particularly when other information in the public domain is also considered. Defence does not comment on individual permits owing to legal, privacy and commercial-in-confidence reasons.
- Permit applications may estimate 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. Defence does not verify these estimates.

Issued Permits – Overview (1 Jan – 31 Mar 2025)

TOTAL ISSUED PERMITS	
Associated with <u>unique end-user destination</u> and <u>part of the Defence Strategic Goods List</u>	
Defence and Strategic Goods List – Part 1	535
Defence and Strategic Goods List – Part 2	290

TOTAL ISSUED PERMITS BY DEFENCE AND STRATEGIC GOODS LIST CATEGORY	
Associated with <u>unique end-user destination</u> and <u>category within Part 2 of the Defence Strategic Goods List</u>	
Category 0 - Nuclear materials, facilities and equipment	--
Category 1 - Materials, chemicals, microorganisms and toxins	44
Category 2 - Materials processing	22
Category 3 - Electronics	< 5
Category 4 - Computers	29
Category 5 - Telecommunications and information security	110
Category 6 - Sensors and lasers	8
Category 7 - Navigation and avionic	18
Category 8 - Marine	6
Category 9 - Aerospace and propulsion	9

Issued Permits – End-User Destinations (1 Jan – 31 Mar 2025)

Destination	DSGL Part 1	DSGL Part 2
AMERICAN SAMOA	--	<5
ARGENTINA	<5	<5
AUSTRALIA	44	12
AUSTRIA	<5	<5
BAHRAIN	--	<5
BANGLADESH	<5	<5
BELGIUM	5	<5
BENIN	--	<5
BRAZIL	5	<5
BRUNEI	<5	<5
BULGARIA	<5	<5
CANADA	30	10
CHINA	--	<5
CHRISTMAS ISLAND	--	<5
COLOMBIA	--	<5
CROATIA	<5	--
CZECHIA	<5	<5
DENMARK	12	<5
ECUADOR	--	<5
EGYPT	<5	<5
ESTONIA	<5	<5
ETHIOPIA	--	<5
FIJI	<5	--
FINLAND	<5	<5
FRANCE	21	8
FRENCH POLYNESIA	--	<5
GERMANY	29	8
GHANA	<5	<5

Destination	DSGL Part 1	DSGL Part 2
GREECE	<5	<5
GUAM	<5	--
GUYANA	--	<5
HONG KONG	<5	5
HUNGARY	<5	<5
INDIA	22	15
INDONESIA	<5	10
IRELAND	<5	11
ISRAEL	10	--
ITALY	13	5
JAMAICA	<5	--
JAPAN	9	6
KENYA	--	<5
LAOS	--	<5
LATVIA	<5	<5
LITHUANIA	<5	<5
LUXEMBOURG	<5	<5
MALAYSIA	7	<5
MAURITANIA	--	<5
MEXICO	<5	<5
MONGOLIA	<5	--
MOROCCO	<5	--
NAMIBIA	--	<5
NEPAL	<5	<5
NETHERLANDS	17	6
NEW CALEDONIA	<5	<5
NEW ZEALAND	48	18
NICARAGUA	--	<5

Destination	DSGL Part 1	DSGL Part 2
NORFOLK ISLAND	<5	<5
NORWAY	28	6
OMAN	<5	--
PAKISTAN	<5	--
PAPUA NEW GUINEA	5	11
PERU	<5	<5
PHILIPPINES	<5	<5
POLAND	<5	<5
PORTUGAL	5	<5
QATAR	--	<5
ROMANIA	<5	<5
SAMOA	--	<5
SAUDI ARABIA	<5	<5
SENEGAL	--	<5
SINGAPORE	15	7
SLOVAKIA	--	<5
SOLOMON ISLANDS	<5	--
SOMALIA	--	<5
SOUTH AFRICA	<5	5
SOUTH KOREA	18	5
SPAIN	15	<5
SRI LANKA	<5	--
SURINAME	--	<5
SWEDEN	10	<5
SWITZERLAND	<5	<5
TAIWAN	<5	<5
THAILAND	5	<5
TIMOR-LESTE	<5	5

Destination	DSGL Part 1	DSGL Part 2
TONGA	<5	<5
TURKIYE	<5	--
TURKMENISTAN	<5	--
UKRAINE	9	<5
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	8	<5
UNITED KINGDOM	15	<5
UNITED STATES	50	<5
VANUATU	--	<5
VIET NAM	<5	<5
ZAMBIA	<5	<5

Caveats on statistics in this section: Only permits involving the export of goods and supply of technology and/or services beyond the borders of Australia have been included. Export permits issued to Australian end-users relate to temporary exports. Temporary exports include but are not limited to demonstration, or repair and return. Not all temporary permits list Australia as an end-user.

Commonwealth Capabilities Spotlight

Export permits issued by Defence are required to support a range of Commonwealth capabilities

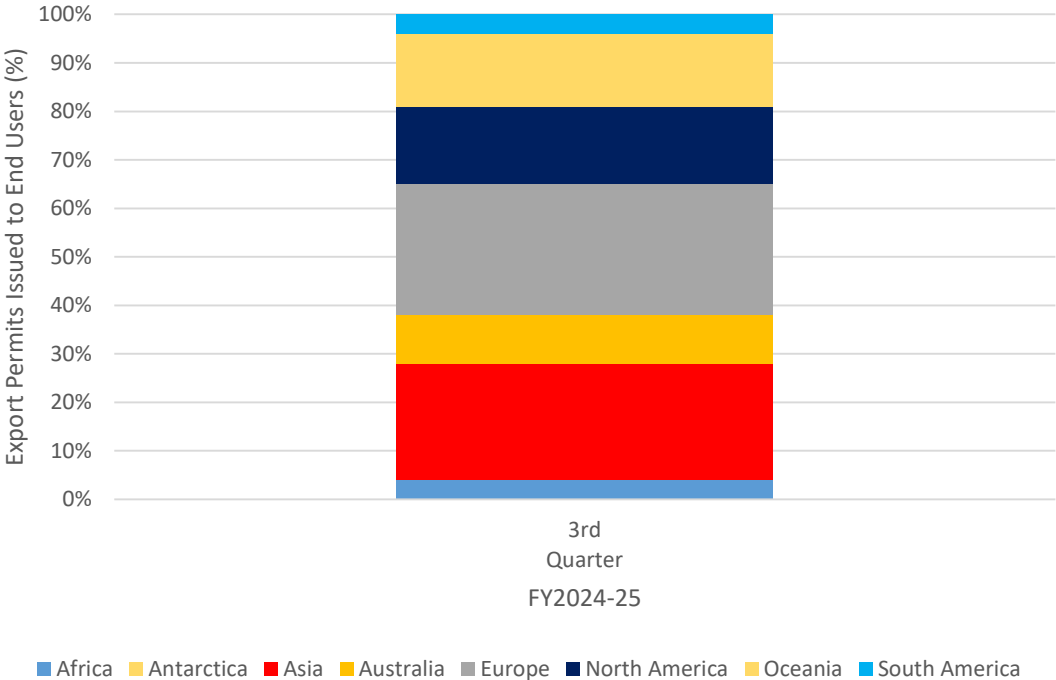
- Defence Export Controls within the Department of Defence plays a key role in protecting and supporting the development of Australian Defence Force (ADF) and Commonwealth capabilities for Australia's defence and security.
- Broadly, permits are required to support the export and supply of controlled goods and technology. Defence issues export permits for ADF and Commonwealth capabilities so these can be upgraded and maintained by overseas suppliers, and returned to Australia.
- Overseas work supporting ADF and Commonwealth capabilities can include manufacture, sustainment, machining, integration and testing.
- For example, all the permits listed against Israel (10) on page 5 of the report support a range of ADF capabilities, including the manufacture of parts for the Redback Infantry Fighting Vehicles, which are subsequently returning to Australia.
- Additionally, permits are issued to support the overseas marketing and demonstration of goods that return to Australia
- Hence, Australia and other countries are captured as end users on page 5 of the report.
- All permit applications are assessed on a case-by-case basis in line with Australia's export control framework.



The Redback Infantry Fighting Vehicle in ADF service

Issued Permits – End-User Destinations by Region

Export Permits Issued to End Users for Quarter 3 FY2024-25 Broken Down by Region

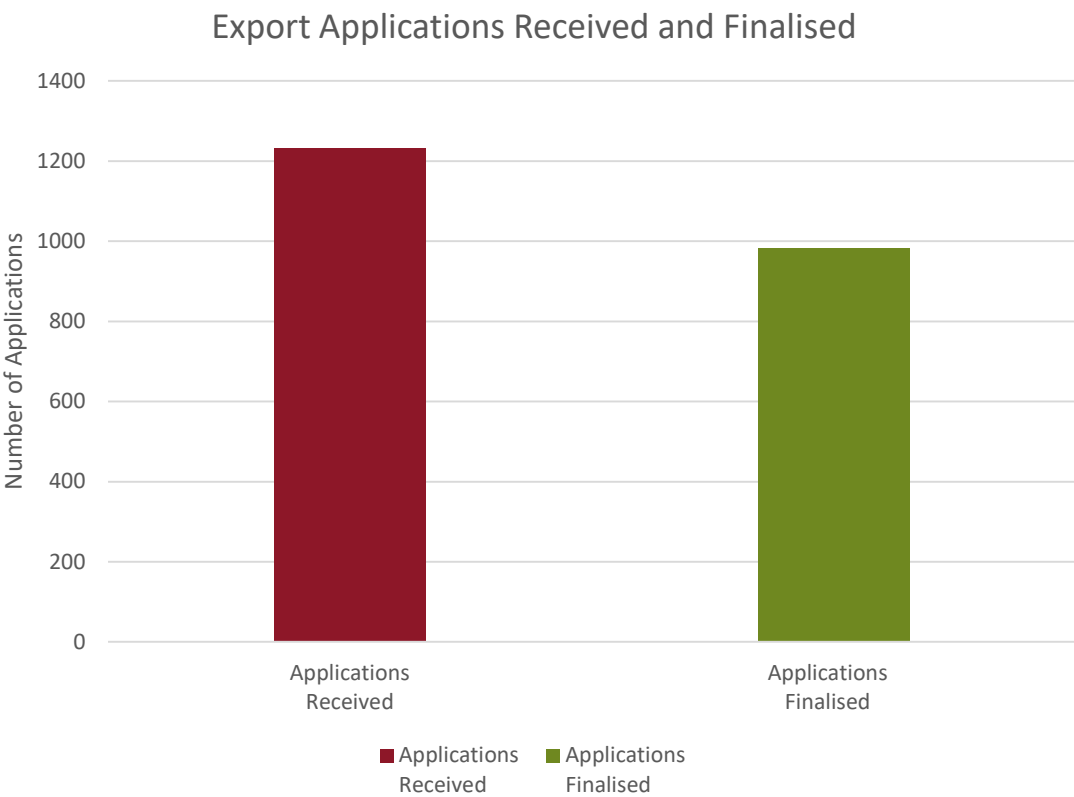


Export permits issued to End Users (by Region) by Financial Years

	FY2022-23	FY2023-24	FY2024-25
	Average	Average	3rd Quarter
Africa	4%	4%	4%
Antarctica	0%	0%	0%
Asia	18%	21%	24%
Australia	16%	13%	10%
Europe	20%	22%	27%
North America	28%	28%	16%
Oceania	11%	10%	15%
South America	2%	2%	4%

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

Export Applications – Received and Finalised

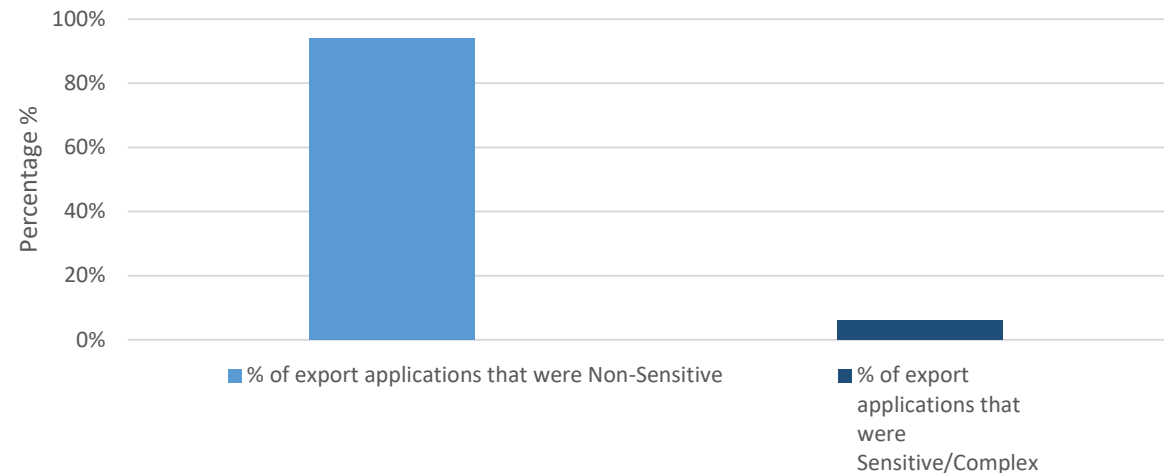


Export Applications Received and Finalised

	FY2024-25
	3rd Quarter
Applications Received	1231
Applications Finalised	983

Export Applications – Processing

Percentage of export applications processed that were Non-Sensitive and Sensitive/Complex; and their processing times that met benchmark timeframes



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

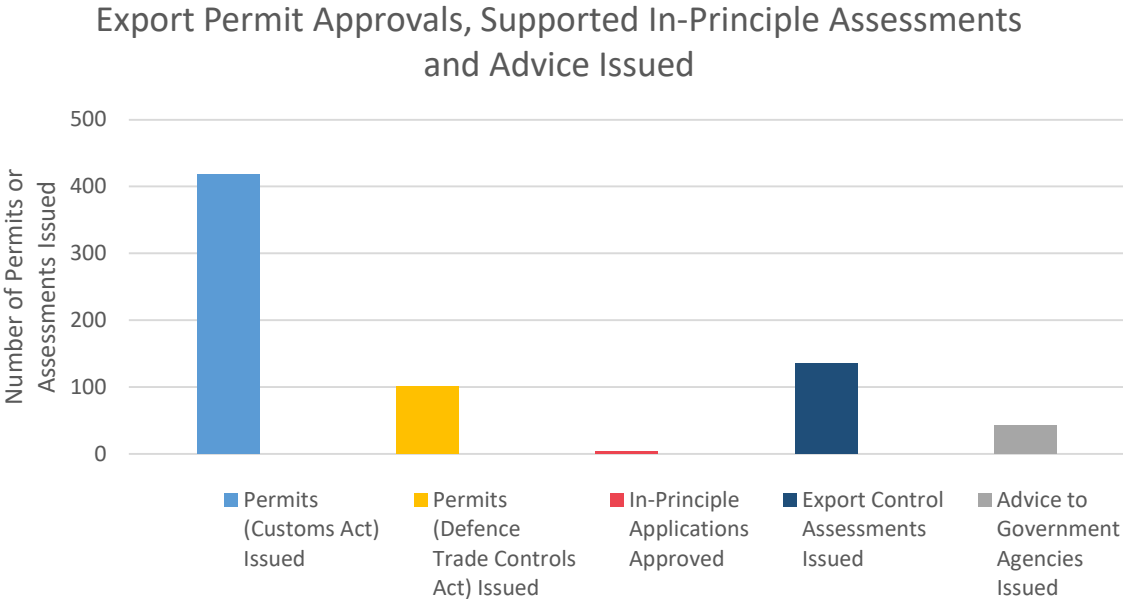
	FY2024-25
	3rd Quarter
% of export applications that were Non-Sensitive	94%
% of export applications that were Sensitive/Complex	6%

The percentage of export applications processing times that met benchmark assessment timeframes

	FY2024-25
	3rd Quarter
% of export applications that were Non-Sensitive	97%
% of export applications that were Sensitive/Complex	3%

Export Applications – Approvals and Assessments

Export Permit Approvals, Supported In-Principle Assessments and Advice Issued



	FY2024-25
	3rd Quarter
Permits (Customs Act) Issued	419
Permits (Defence Trade Controls Act) Issued	101
In-Principle Applications Approved	< 5
Export Control Assessments Issued	135
Advice to Government Agencies Issued	42

Export Applications – 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

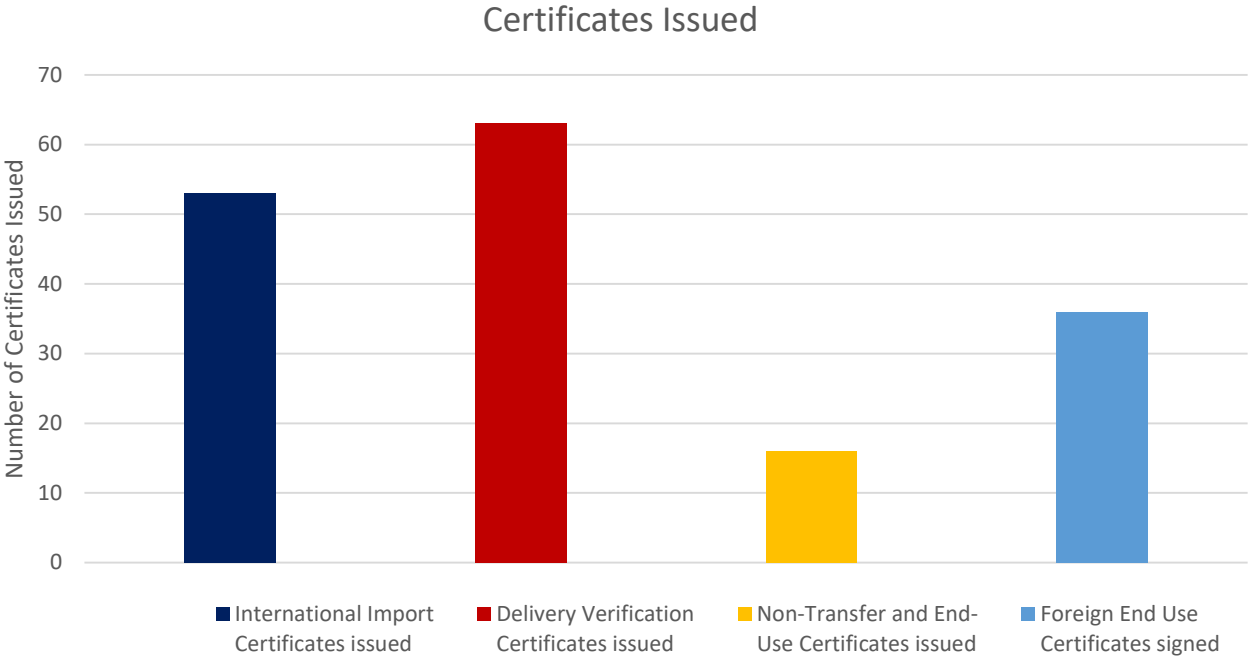
Export Application Prohibitions and Denials	FY 2024-25 3rd Quarter
Denials (Customs Act)	0
In-Principle Applications Not Supported	< 5
Prohibition Notices(Defence Trade Controls Act)	0
Prohibition Notices (Weapons of Mass Destruction Act)	< 5
Prohibition Notices (Military End Use)	8
Prohibition Notices (Publications)	0

Export Applications – Withdrawn, Made Inactive, Lapsed, No Further Action Required

Withdrawn, made inactive, lapsed, and no further action required

Export Application Prohibitions and Denials	FY 2024-25 3rd Quarter
Withdrawn, Made Inactive or Lapsed	112
No Further Action Required	0

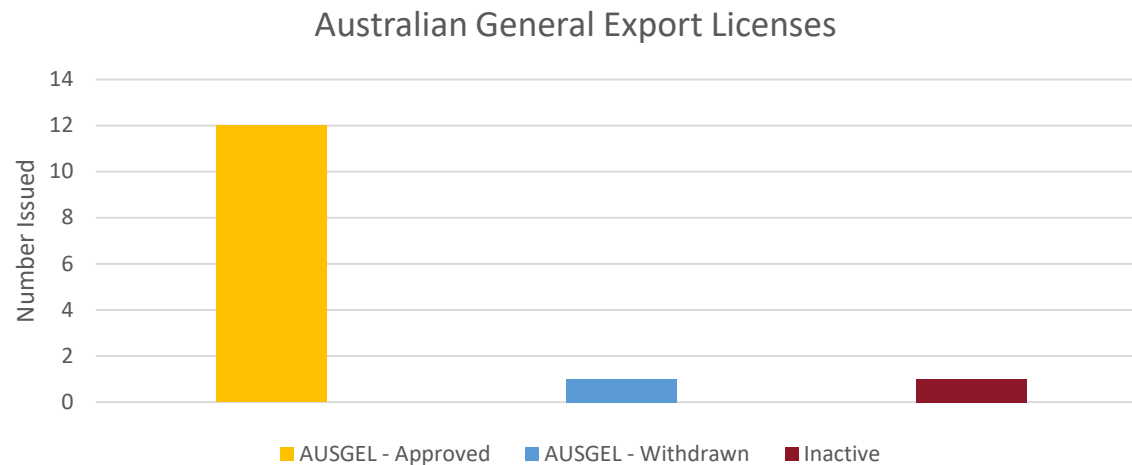
Certificate Statistics



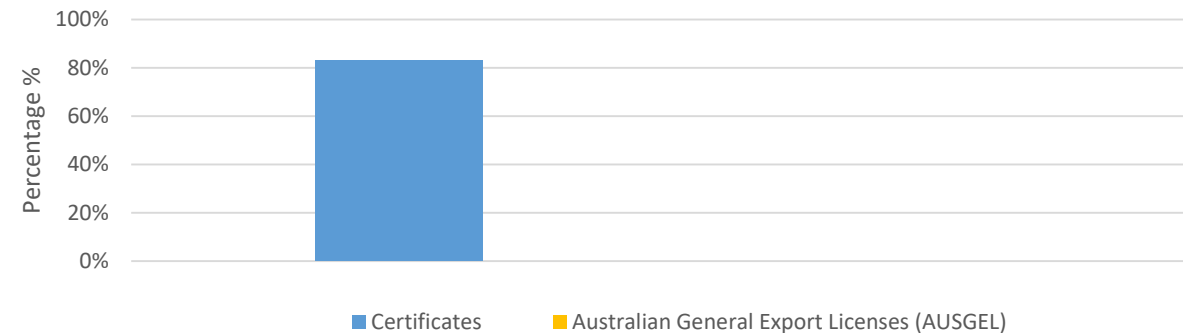
Certificates Issued

	FY2024-25
	3rd Quarter
International Import Certificates issued	53
Delivery Verification Certificates issued	63
Non-Transfer and End-Use Certificates issued	16
Foreign End Use Certificates signed	36

Australian General Export Licences (AUSGEL) – Statistics and Processing



Percentage (%) of Certificates (15 days) and Australian General Export Licences (AUSGEL) (35 days) Processed within benchmark timeframes FY 2024-25



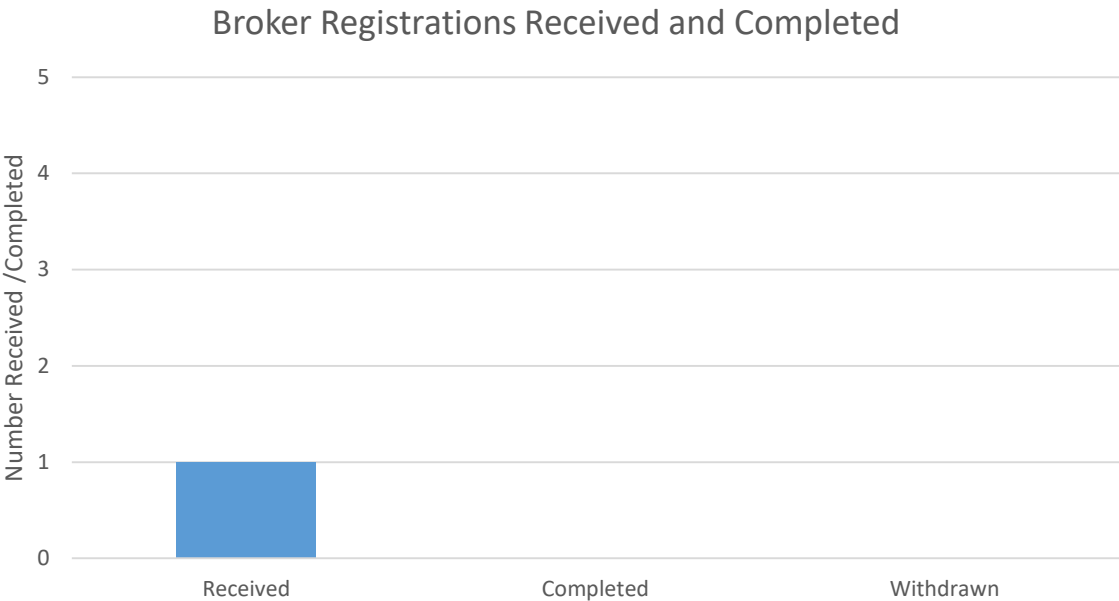
AUSGELs Issued

	FY2024-25
	3rd Quarter
AUSGEL - Approved	12
AUSGEL - Withdrawn	< 5
Inactive	< 5

Percentage of Certificates (15 days) and AUSGELs (35 days) processed within benchmark timeframes

	FY2024-25
	3rd Quarter
Certificates	83%
Australian General Export Licences (AUSGEL)	0%

Broker Registration



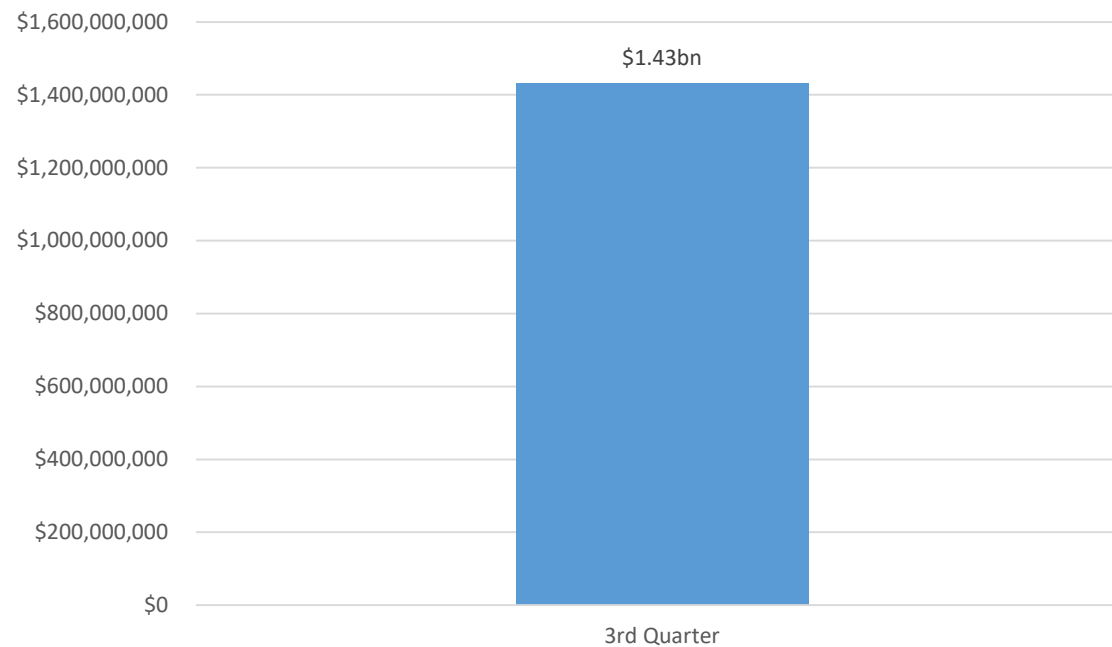
Broker Registrations Received and Completed

	FY2024-25
	3rd Quarter
Received	< 5
Completed	0
Withdrawn	0

Applicant-Estimated Value of 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.

Applicant-Estimated (\$AUD) Value of Defence Permits



Number of Applicants Declaring Permit Values

