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Defence

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 Oct – 31 Dec 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	392
Defence and Strategic Goods List – Part 2	284

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	45
Category 2 - Materials processing	20
Category 3 - Electronics	9
Category 4 - Computers	--
Category 5 - Telecommunications and information security	126
Category 6 - Sensors and lasers	54
Category 7 - Navigation and avionic	21
Category 8 - Marine	6
Category 9 - Aerospace and propulsion	16

Issued Permits – End-User Destinations (1 Oct – 31 Dec 2025)

Destination	DSGL Part 1	DSGL Part 2
ANGOLA	--	<5
ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA	<5	<5
ARGENTINA	<5	--
AUSTRALIA	54	23
AUSTRIA	5	<5
AZERBAIJAN	--	<5
BAHRAIN	<5	--
BANGLADESH	--	<5
BELGIUM	11	<5
BRAZIL	<5	<5
BRUNEI DARUSSALAM	<5	--
BULGARIA	5	<5
BURKINA FASO	--	<5
CABO VERDE	--	<5
CANADA	18	<5
CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC	--	<5
CHILE	--	5
CHINA	<5	10
COLOMBIA	8	--
CZECH REPUBLIC	11	<5
DENMARK	18	<5
DJIBOUTI	<5	<5
DOMINICA	<5	<5
ESTONIA	<5	--
ETHIOPIA	--	<5
FIJI	<5	<5
FINLAND	7	<5

Destination	DSGL Part 1	DSGL Part 2
FRANCE	17	5
GERMANY	35	7
GHANA	--	<5
GREECE	5	<5
GUAM	<5	<5
GUINEA	--	<5
HONG KONG	--	<5
HUNGARY	5	<5
ICELAND	<5	--
INDIA	11	14
INDONESIA	7	19
IRELAND	<5	21
ISRAEL	10	--
ITALY	17	<5
JAMAICA	<5	--
JAPAN	13	6
JORDAN	<5	<5
KAZAKHSTAN	--	<5
KUWAIT	--	5
LAOS	--	<5
LATVIA	<5	<5
LITHUANIA	<5	--
LUXEMBOURG	<5	<5
MACAO	--	<5
MALAYSIA	8	9
MALI	--	<5
MAURITANIA	--	<5

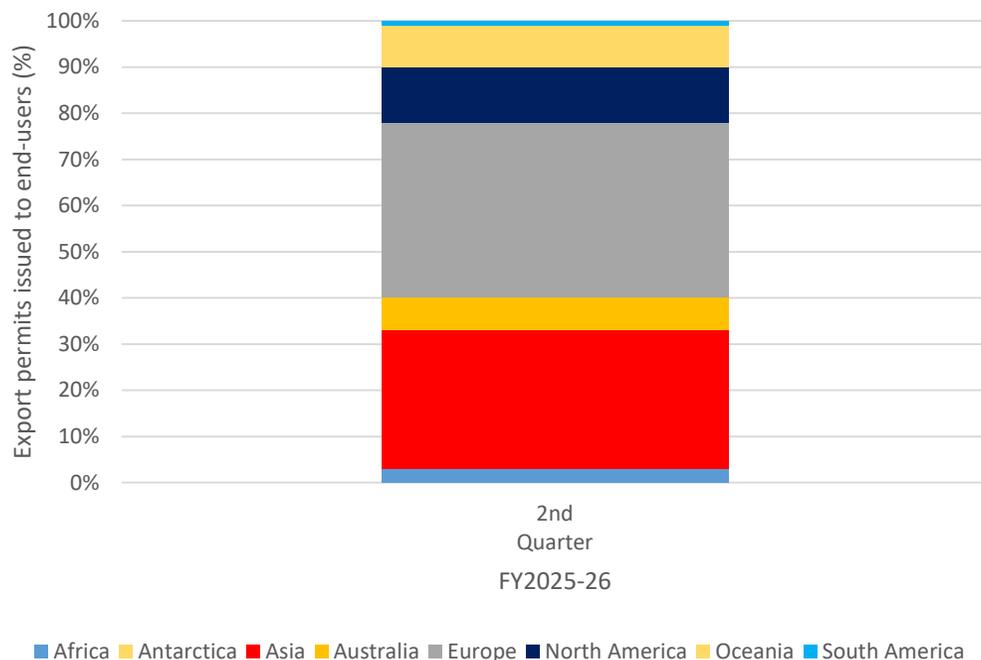
Destination	DSGL Part 1	DSGL Part 2
MAURITIUS	--	<5
MEXICO	6	<5
MICRONESIA	--	<5
MONGOLIA	--	<5
MOROCCO	--	<5
NAMIBIA	<5	--
NETHERLANDS	23	11
NEW CALEDONIA	5	<5
NEW ZEALAND	40	22
NIGERIA	--	<5
NORFOLK ISLAND	<5	--
NORWAY	18	9
OMAN	<5	<5
PAKISTAN	--	<5
PANAMA	--	<5
PAPUA NEW GUINEA	<5	16
PHILIPPINES	6	10
POLAND	5	<5
PORTUGAL	10	<5
ROMANIA	<5	<5
SAINT KITTS AND NEVIS	<5	<5
SAMOA	<5	--
SAUDI ARABIA	<5	6
SINGAPORE	19	35
SLOVAKIA	<5	--
SLOVENIA	--	<5
SOLOMON ISLANDS	<5	<5

Destination	DSGL Part 1	DSGL Part 2
SOUTH AFRICA	5	5
SOUTH KOREA	12	10
SPAIN	15	<5
SRI LANKA	<5	<5
SWEDEN	18	<5
SWITZERLAND	10	<5
TAIWAN	<5	11
THAILAND	8	6
TIMOR-LESTE	--	<5
TURKIYE	--	5
TURKMENISTAN	--	<5
UKRAINE	12	<5
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	9	7
UNITED KINGDOM	25	5
UNITED STATES	53	12
VANUATU	<5	--
VIET NAM	<5	5
ZIMBABWE	--	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.

Issued Permits – End-User Destinations by Region

Export permits issued to end-users for Quarter 2
FY2025-26 broken down by region



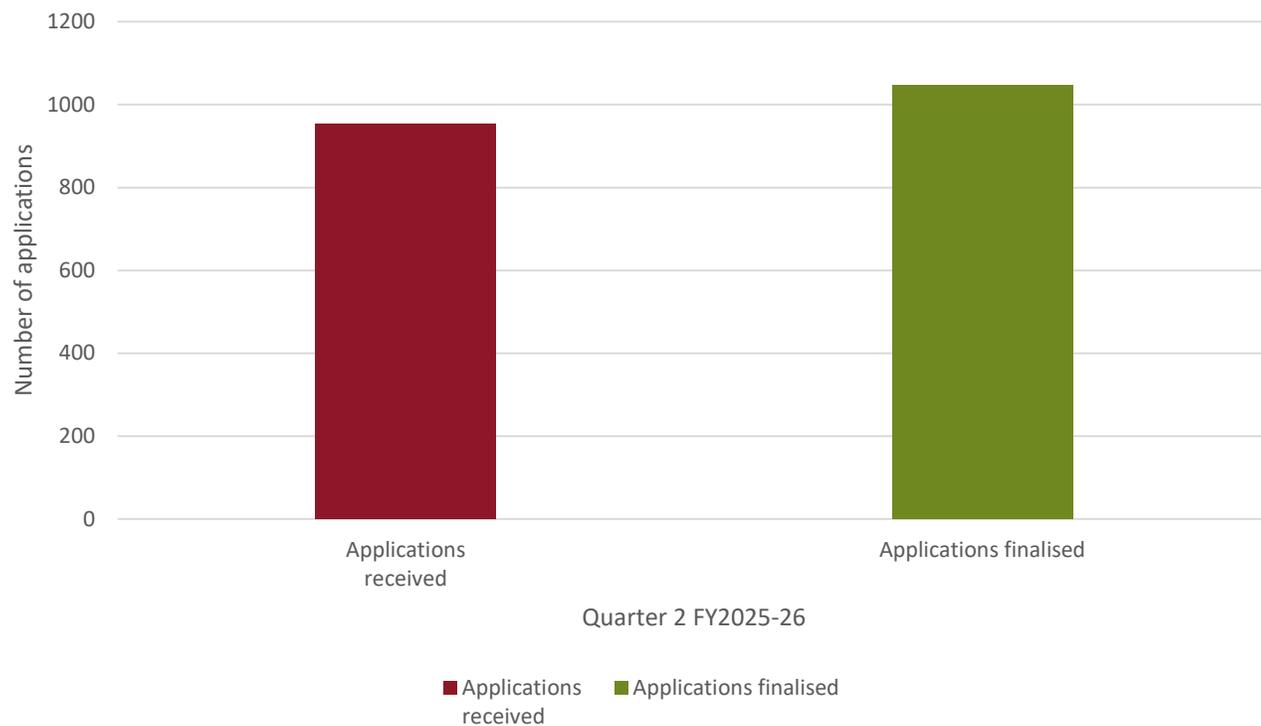
Export permits issued to end-users by region and financial years

	FY2023-24	FY2024-25	FY2025-26
	Average	Average	2nd Quarter
Africa	4%	3%	3%
Antarctica	--	--	--
Asia	21%	25%	30%
Australia	13%	10%	7%
Europe	22%	30%	38%
North America	28%	16%	12%
Oceania	10%	12%	9%
South America	2%	3%	1%

* *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

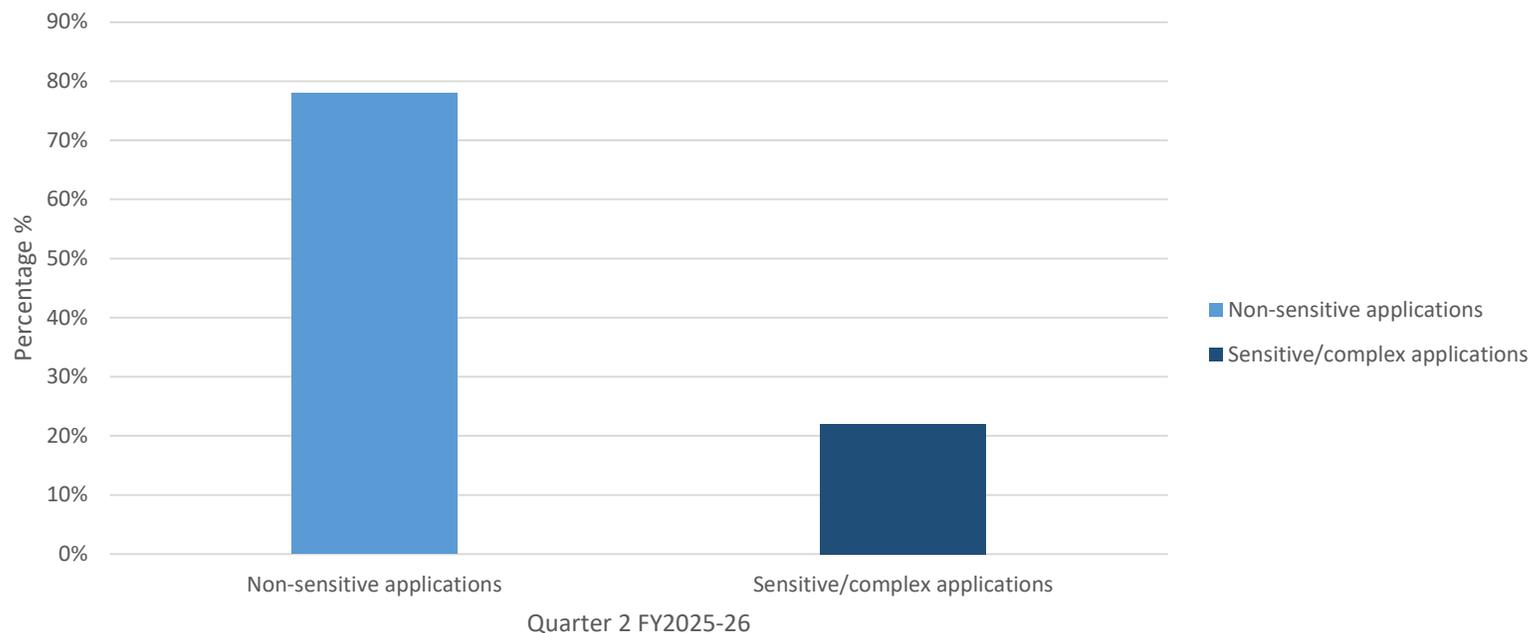


Export applications received and finalised

	FY2025-26
	2nd Quarter
Applications received	954
Applications finalised	1046

Export Applications – Processing

Percentage of export applications processed that were non-sensitive and sensitive/complex



The percentage of export application processed that were non-Sensitive and sensitive/complex

	FY2025-26
	2nd Quarter
Non-sensitive applications	78%
Sensitive/complex applications	22%

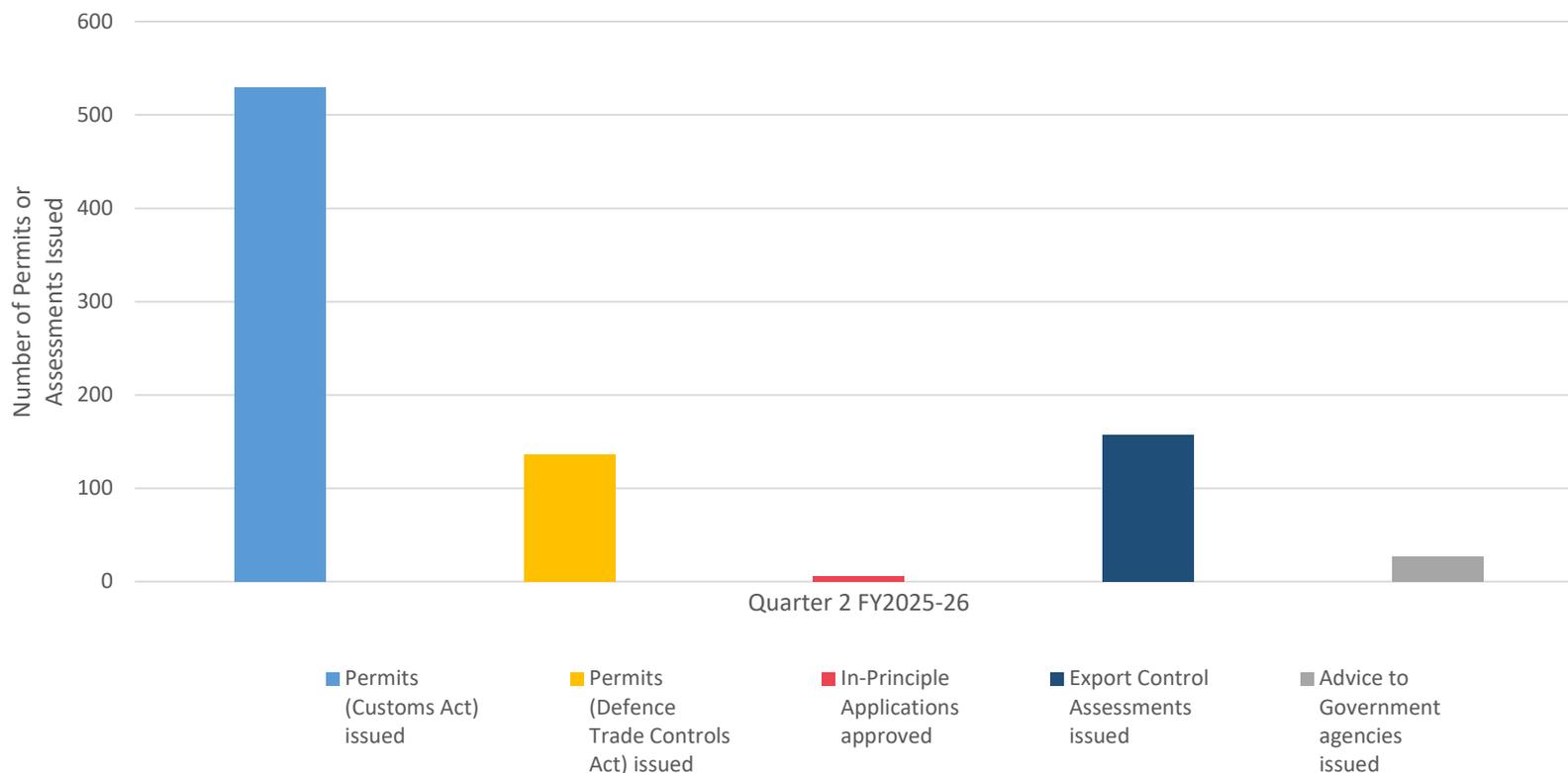
The percentage of export applications processing times that met benchmark assessment timeframes

	FY2025-26
	2nd Quarter
% of non-sensitive applications assessed within 15 days	89%
% of sensitive/complex applications assessed within 35 days	94%

Export Applications – Approvals and Assessments

Export permit approvals, supported In-Principle Assessments and advice issued

Export permit approvals, supported in-principle assessments and advice issued



	FY2025-26
	2nd Quarter
Permits (Customs Act) issued	530
Permits (Defence Trade Controls Act) issued	136
In-Principle Applications approved	6
Export Control Assessments issued	157
Advice to Government agencies issued	27

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 2025-26
	2nd 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)	0
Prohibition Notices (Military End Use)	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 2025-26
	2nd Quarter
Withdrawn, Made Inactive or Lapsed	93
No Further Action Required	0

Certificate Statistics

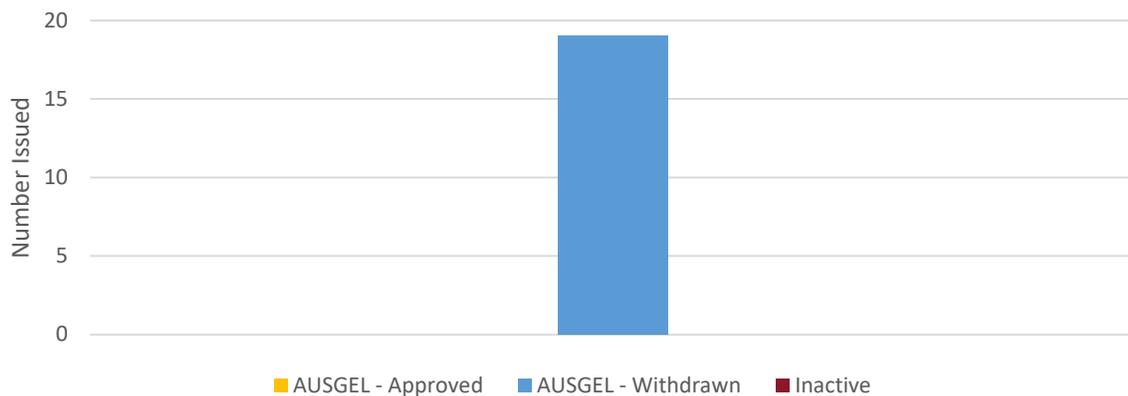


Certificates Issued

	FY2025-26
	2nd Quarter
International Import Certificates issued	79
Delivery Verification Certificates issued	48
Non-Transfer and End-Use Certificates issued	15

Australian General Export Licences (AUSGEL) – Statistics and Processing

Australian General Export Licences



Percentage (%) of Certificates (15 days) and Australian General Export Licences (AUSGEL) (35 days) Processed within benchmark timeframes FY 2025-26



AUSGELs Issued

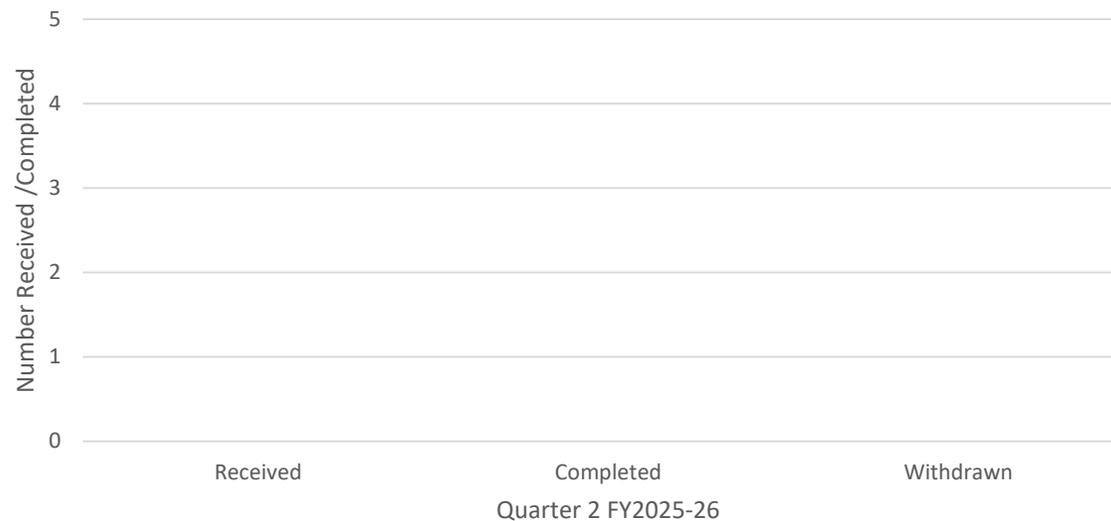
	FY2025-26
	2nd Quarter
AUSGEL - Approved	0
AUSGEL - Withdrawn	19
Inactive	0

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

	FY2025-26
	2nd Quarter
Certificates	95%
Australian General Export Licences (AUSGEL)	94%

Broker Registration

Broker registrations received and completed



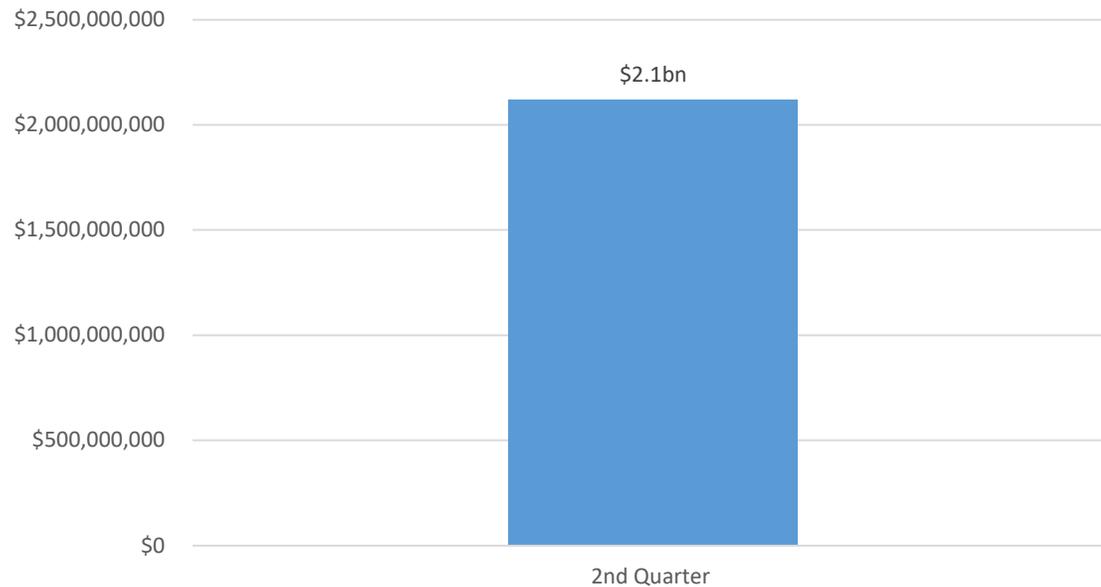
Broker registrations received and completed

	FY2025-26
	2nd Quarter
Received	0
Completed	0
Withdrawn	0

Applicant-Estimated Value of Defence Permits

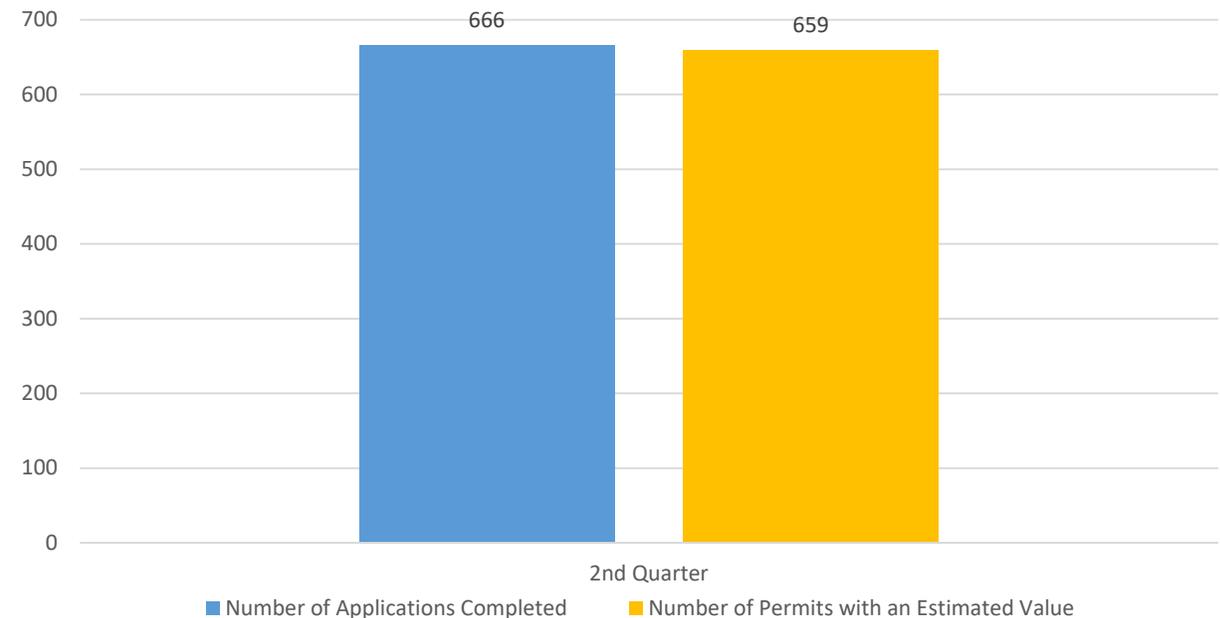
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Applicant-Estimated (\$AUD) Value of Defence Permits



	FY2025-26
	2nd Quarter
Applicant-Estimated (\$AUD) Value of Defence Permits	\$2,179,614,118

Number of Applicants Declaring Permit Values



	FY2025-26
	2nd Quarter
Number of Applications Completed	666
Number of Permits with an Estimated Value	659