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Dear applicants,

This is about 189 skilled independent visa and 491 family sponsored visa invitation round up results for the month of January 2020 . In your case ,we targeted 491 state nominated visa and this detail sheet has nothing to do with the original plan that we fixed for you . This is to let you know how competitive the situation at this stage for IT categories ,in the event the applicants target one of the visa sub classes mentioned above. Therefore we always encourage applicants to go regional under a lenient points scales .

At this stage most of the regional nomination authorities have shut the doors for IT categories except for QLD and Victoria.

**QLD has listed below occupations in their SMP that require 80 marks from the point test to receive their nomination approval; .**

1-Software tester

2-ICT QA Engineer

3-ICT Support Engineer

4-ICT systems test Engineer

**Victoria accepts any IT applicants who can demonstrate of having a genuine job offer from a regional city in Victoria.**

**Offer of employment**

- ✓ You will need to provide evidence of a genuine Victorian job
- ✓ To demonstrate evidence of a genuine job offer, you are required to provide:
  - a Confirmation of Employment Statement;
  - a signed contract/ letter of offer which includes your employer's Australian Business Number (ABN)[external link](#) and contact details;
  - an official position description from your employer outlining your main tasks and duties.

- ✓ The current employment offer must be in the nominated occupation for permanent (not casual) work, for at least 20 hours per week, and for at least six continuous months.
- ✓ further documentation to support the application. This may include discussing the offer of employment with your employer.

We are constantly checking the migration plans and the potentials for IT applicants . We will keep you post on upcoming demand list releases and possible pathways for your profile .

## **IT Dominated Occupation Round - January** **SkillSelect**

Welcome to the first invitation round of 2020! To start off the year, Immigration has issued 1300 invitations this round, with 1000 to Subclass **189 Skilled Independent visa applicants, and the balance to Subclass 491 Skilled Work Regional (Family Sponsored) visa.**

The minimum points score dropped slightly to 90 points, with the most recent Subclass 189 EOI to receive an invitation being lodged at the beginning of October 2019.

### ***Pro-rata occupations:***

Due to high levels of demand, certain occupations are issued invitations on a pro-rata basis. Places are first allocated to 189 EOIs, with remaining places issued to the 491 Family Sponsored EOIs.

The scores for the 11 January 2020 round pro-rata occupations were as follows:

<b>Occupation ID</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Minimum Score</b>	<b>Points</b>	<b>Latest date of EOI</b>
2211	Accountants	95 (SC189)		23/04/2019 1:56pm
2212	Auditors, Company Secretaries and Corporate Treasurers	95 (SC189)		18/10/2019 10:51am
2334	Electronics Engineer	90 (SC189)		25/09/2019 6:35am
2334	Electronics Engineer	95 (SC491)		03/01/2020 3:10pm
2335	Industrial, Mechanical and Production Engineers	90 (189)		01/06/2019 4:20pm
2339	Other Engineering Professionals	90 (SC189)		28/08/2019

			12:31pm
2611	ICT Business and System Analysts	90 (SC189)	01/09/2019 9:12am
2613	Software and Applications Programmers	90 (SC189)	02/10/2019 8:32am
2613	Software and Applications Programmers	90 (SC491)	11/12/2019 7:33pm
2631	Computer Network Professionals	90 (SC189)	30/09/2019 4:46pm
2631	Computer Network Professionals	90 (SC491)	20/11/2019 2:40pm

***Who received invitations this round?***

Software and Applications Programmers were the major winners this round, with a whopping 298 invitations issued across the 189 and 491 visa programs. The top five occupations made up a total of almost 53% of the entire invitation round! Along with the Programmers, the top five included:

- Database and Systems Administrators and ICT Security Specialists with 121 invitations;
- Accountants with 98 invites;
- ICT Business and Systems Analysts with 93 invitations; and
- Civil Engineering Professionals with 76 invites.

Low-invitation occupations this round include Medical Imaging Professionals (approximately 1-2) Construction Managers (approximately 3-4), Management Consultants (3) and Cartographers/Surveyors (4).

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