

**WPQ 1456 (2026): What was the average time it took to process visa applications, if any, during the week of 19 January 2026; broken down by visa type?**

Table: The median processing timeframe for visas during the week of 19 January 2026 to 25 January 2026, broken down by visa type, as at 01 February 2026.

| Visa Type                            | Median Number of Weekdays* |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Consular                             | 0                          |
| Diplomatic                           | 0                          |
| Interim                              | 0                          |
| Limited                              | 2                          |
| Military                             | 0                          |
| Official                             | 0                          |
| Permanent Resident                   | 7                          |
| Resident                             | 89                         |
| Student                              | 24                         |
| Transit                              | 4                          |
| Visitor                              | 6                          |
| Work (all work visas including AEWV) | 21                         |
| Work (excluding AEWV)                | 21                         |
| <b>Breakdown of AEWV</b>             |                            |
| Work – AEWV (all AEWV)               | 21                         |
| Work - AEWV (excluding MCS)          | 18.5                       |
| Work - AEWV (Only MCS**)             | 36                         |

*\*Time is in weekdays (weekends not included) taken to process an application from when it was submitted until completion.*

*\*\*Maximum Continuous Stay Applications or re-used token applications can sometimes record longer processing times as applications may be submitted far in advance of the expiry of the existing visa.*