

Important changes to living cost estimates

Dear Student,

On 1 Oct 2023, the Department of Home Affairs increased the minimum amount of living costs to the following per 12-month period:

Living costs

Before 1 Oct:

- students or guardians - AUD 21,041
- partners coming with you - AUD 7,362
- a child coming with you - AUD 3,152.

From 1 Oct:

- students or guardians - AUD 24,505
- partners coming with you - AUD 8,574
- a child coming with you - AUD 3,670.

Please take this into account when you submit evidence of your financial capacity for your student visa application.

Schooling costs

If you are including any school-age children in your application, add schooling costs of at least **AUD 9,661** per year for each child. Costs vary between states, territories and schools in Australia. You are responsible for finding out how much the child's schooling will cost.

(Previous cost, prior to Oct 1, was AUD 8,296 per year for each child.)

For more information please visit:

<https://immi.homeaffairs.gov.au/visas/getting-a-visa/visa-listing/student-500#HowTo>