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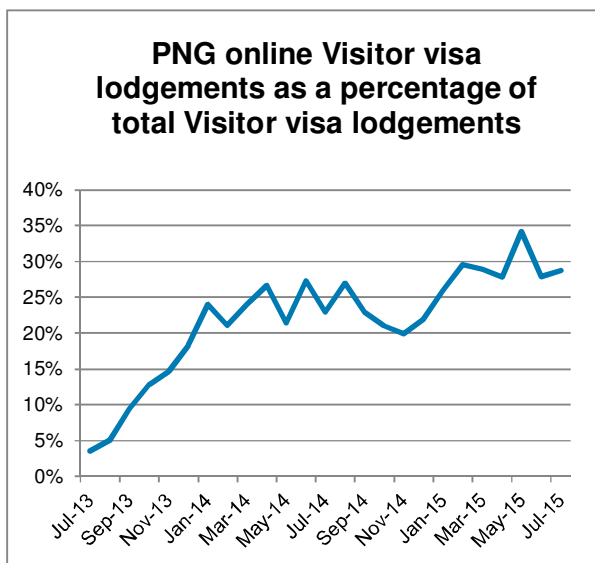


Visa Fact Sheet

Australian High Commission - Port Moresby

Online Visas

- It is easier and quicker than ever before for PNG citizens to apply for a visa to travel to Australia.
- Online visa applications represent nearly **one third** of Visitor visa lodgements made in PNG.
- Online visas are a faster and more efficient way to apply than hard copy.
- Online visa applications can be lodged by any person or organisation on behalf of the applicant.
- Visitor Visa applications lodged online average 10 working days or less.
- Apply for your visa online at:
<http://www.immi.gov.au/visas/png/>



Streamlined document requirements

First time travellers are asked to show how they will support their visit to Australia. This can be from a variety of sources, including letters from employers, and invitation from host organisations or family in Australia.

NO requirement for bank statements for visitor visas.

NO requirement for biometric data or interviews.

NO transit visa required for PNG passport holders who transit through Australia for less than 8 hours.

Other facts about Australia's visa service

- The service standard is a 10 working day turn-around time for visitor visas – reduced from 30 days.
- 95% of applicants are granted a visa.
- PRIORITY processing upon arrival for APEC business travel card holders.
- PRIORITY passenger lane access to Australian airports in Cairns and Brisbane.
- Where there are delays in visa issue, these can be the result of incomplete applications or where medical examinations are required.
- Further information is available at <http://png.embassy.gov.au/pmsb/Visas.html>