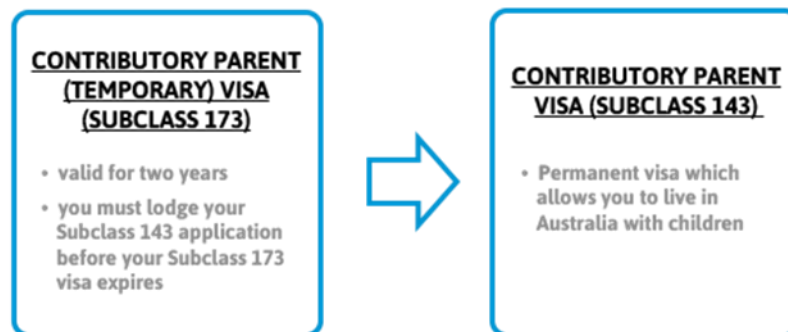


Parent Visas

Contributory Parent Visa – SC173

- The Contributory Parent Visa (SC173) is a temporary or provisional visa, which allows parents of an Australian Citizen, an Australian Permanent Resident or an eligible New Zealand Citizen - to live in Australia with their children for up to 2 years
- by choosing the SC173 Visa option first and later applying for the SC143 Visa option, you can spread the costs of the Contributory Parent Visa over those two years.
- The SC173 visa cannot be extended or renewed.
- If you wish to apply for permanent residency, you must lodge your Contributory Parent Visa SC143 before your SC173 Visa expires
- You can be inside or outside Australia when you apply for this visa, but you must be outside of Australia for the visa to be granted.
- You are not entitled to a bridging visa even though you may be in Australia when you apply for this visa.



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A Contributory Parent Visa (Subclass 173) may suit you if:

- you have a child who is an Australian Citizen, an Australian Permanent Resident or an eligible New Zealand Citizen, and are sponsored by that child
- your sponsoring child has been a lawful resident in Australia for at least two years
- your sponsoring child provides in writing, an Assurance of Support – which is a commitment to provide for you (as the visa applicant) for the first two years of your residency in Australia
- you meet the balance-of-family test – which means that at least half of your children live as permanent residents in Australia, or more of your children live as permanent residents in Australia than in any other country
- you meet the health and character requirements of the Australian Government.

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