

Points table

Item	Points	
Skilled employment		
Current skilled employment in New Zealand for 12 months or more or	60	
Offer of or current skilled employment in New Zealand of less than 12 months	50	
Offer of employment in an identified future growth area	10	
Offer of employment in an area of absolute skills shortage	10	
Offer outside of Auckland region	10	
Partner's skilled employment or offer of skilled employment	20	
Work experience		
2 years or	10	
4 years or	15	
6 years or	20	
8 years or	25	
10 years or more	30	
Work experience in New Zealand		
1 years or	5	
2 years or	10	
3 years or more	15	
Work experience in an identified future growth area		
2 to 5 years or	10	
6 years or more	15	
Work experience in an area of absolute skills shortage		
2 to 5 years or	5	
6 years or more	10	
Qualifications		
Trade qualification, diploma, bachelor's degree or	50	
Recognised post graduate qualification (doctorate or Masters)	55	
2 years study in New Zealand towards a recognised qualification	5	
Recognised New Zealand qualification	5	
Recognised New Zealand post graduate qualification	10	
Qualification in an identified future growth area	10	
Qualification in an area of absolute skills shortage	10	
Partner's qualifications	20	
Close family support in New Zealand		
	10	
Age		
20-29 or	30	
30-39 or	25	
40-44 or	20	
45-49 or	10	
50-55	5	
Total score		