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Australia is ranked consistently as one of the most appealing and safest countries for expats to live in. With a large UK and European community, fantastic weather, larger properties than in the UK and great healthcare, it's a popular destination for Everlight Radiologists.

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LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

As we connect across borders and embrace opportunities worldwide, we want to take a moment to honour the Indigenous cultures, histories, and lands in the regions where we have a significant presence. In Australia it is a meaningful tradition to acknowledge the Indigenous peoples who are the traditional custodians of these lands.

Why This Awareness Matters When Relocating

As you prepare to relocate, understanding and respecting Indigenous communities is vital to fostering positive relationships with local cultures. Acknowledging Indigenous history and contributions enhances your ability to integrate into the community respectfully, builds cultural awareness, and helps prevent misunderstandings. For those new to these countries, such knowledge enriches both professional and personal experiences, allowing us to become more thoughtful global citizens.

Engaging with and learning about these vibrant Indigenous cultures, the local land sovereignty, and its histories, languages and knowledge systems allows us to appreciate the

depth of heritage in each country, helping us contribute meaningfully to local communities and to support and respect diversity.

Thank you for joining us in honouring the Indigenous heritage of these regions, and for embracing the diverse and meaningful connections we hold to the lands where we live and work.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS FOR AUSTRALIA

We respectfully acknowledge the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as the traditional custodians of the lands across Australia. We honour the rich traditions, cultures, and deep spiritual connections to Country that these communities uphold. We pay our respects to Elders, past, present and emerging, and extend that respect to all First Nations people we work alongside today.



Total Population
Approximately
25 MILLION



Urban Population
Majority of the
population resides
in urban areas.



Geography
A vast country with diverse
landscapes, including deserts,
forests, mountains, and coastlines.



Climate
Varied climate zones,
including tropical,
arid, temperate, and
Mediterranean.



Average Weather
(Sydney)



**Average
Temperature:**
17°C (62°F)



Winter Average:
12°C (54°F)



Summer Average:
23°C (73°F)



Rainfall:
Approximately
1,200mm per year



DOCUMENTS AND VISAS

We're dedicated to helping you find the right visa for working in Australia. While some shorter-term options may be more challenging to secure, as they are often reserved for tourists, we're here to explore all possibilities and support you through the process.

The visa we most commonly secure for our Radiologists is the Skills in Demand Visa.



Home Affairs - In demand skills

Prior to arrival, ensure you have all documentation required for travel to Australia;

Passport

Visa documentation

Evidence of residency in the the UK

this will be required to apply for reciprocal healthcare (access to Australian public health system - please refer to detailed Medicare section)

Birth certificate (certified copy)

may also be useful as additional ID for bank account applications

Parliament of Australia

WHERE TO LIVE

Lots of work will go into deciding where is the best place for you and your family. Each of the states have websites with useful information about the area, schools, transport and places of interest. You may also want to be based near one of Everlight's four reporting hubs.

The easiest way to secure rental accommodation is via a real estate agent. There are a few websites that consolidate offerings from many Estate Agencies such as realestate.com.au and Domain. You will most likely require references from your employer for any rental applications – the team at Everlight can arrange these for you.

Remember that Australia's housing market can be competitive in certain areas, so starting your search early and being prepared with the necessary documentation can give you an advantage. Additionally, each state and territory might have its own rental laws and regulations, so make sure to research these specifics for the area you're moving to.

Useful links:

 [Australian Tourism](#)

 [New South Wales](#)

 [Victoria](#)

 [South Australia](#)

 [Queensland](#)

 [Western Australia](#)

 [Expatriate arrivals](#)

 [realestate.com](#)

 [domain.com](#)

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Wembley, WA 6014



FINANCES

Some Australian banks will allow you to commence the application process for opening a bank account prior to arriving (upon arrival you will usually just need to present in person at a branch and provide relevant identification). These include the Commonwealth Bank of Australia (CBA) & HSBC.

Other banks will require you to be in Australia to open your account, such as National Australia Bank (NAB), Westpac and Australia and New Zealand Banking Corporation (ANZ). There are a number of smaller banks you may also wish to consider.

You will also need to provide your **Australian Tax File Number (TFN)** to the bank when opening your account. You will require your TFN before you are able to be paid as an Australian employee.

Requirements for application:

You will need to be in Australia to apply

You will require your passport and visa information

Please note, it can take up to 28 days to receive your TFN, so we advise applying for this as soon as you arrive.

Useful links:



MyGov



Setting up a TFN



Commonwealth Bank of Australia



Westpac (WBC)



National Australia Bank (NAB)



Australia & New Zealand Banking Group



HSBC



Cost of Living Calculator



Move your money (Wise)

HEALTHCARE

Most temporary visa holders (and their dependents) traveling to Australia will require private health insurance coverage for the duration of their stay as part of their visa conditions.

A number of providers offer this form of private health insurance, which is called Overseas Visitor Health Cover.

Once you arrive in Australia and establish residency, you can apply for a Medicare card. This card gives you access to a range of medical services and treatments. You can apply at a local Medicare office.

You will need to provide the below documentation when applying:

Your current visa

Your British passport or non-British passport

Evidence you are a resident of the UK, Jersey, Guernsey or the Isle of Man (please see link for details of the types of documents accepted)

Medicare covers a portion of the cost for doctor visits, hospital treatments, prescription medications, and certain medical tests. The amount covered varies, and you might need to pay a gap fee.

Depending on your visa type, you might have limited access to Medicare services. It's important to understand your eligibility and any waiting periods that might apply.

Many Australians choose to have private health insurance in addition to Medicare. This provides access to private hospitals, shorter wait times for elective procedures, and coverage for services not fully covered by Medicare.

It's important to research and compare different health insurance options, understand your eligibility for Medicare, and know your rights and responsibilities as a healthcare recipient in Australia. Be sure to consult the Australian government's official website or speak with a local healthcare representative to get accurate and current information tailored to your situation.

Useful links:

-  [Reciprocal health care for UK citizens](#)
-  [Enrolling in Medicare](#)
-  [Health Direct Australia](#)
-  [health.gov.au](#)

SCHOOLING AND CHILDCARE

Each State and Territory have their own Departments of Education. Australia operates with both public (government) schools and private schools. Public schools often have catchment areas, meaning that your residence will determine which school your child can attend. Research these boundaries when choosing a place to live.

The school year starts in late January or early February and ends in December, divided into four terms.

Australia offers various childcare options, including long day care centers, family day care, and occasional care services. Research these options to find what suits your family's needs. Some areas might have high demand for childcare, so it's wise to inquire about availability and possibly get on waiting lists well in advance.

Research the Australian curriculum to understand what your children will be learning. While it's similar to the UK and Ireland, there might be differences in emphasis and subjects.

Remember that each state in Australia might have slight variations in their education systems and requirements, so it's important to research specific information for the area you're moving to. Reach out to expat communities, local educational authorities, and schools themselves to gather accurate and up-to-date information for a smooth transition.

Useful links:



New South Wales



New South Wales school finder



Victoria



Victoria school finder



South Australia



South Australia school finder



Queensland



Queensland school finder



Western Australia



Western Australia school finder



Private Schools Australia



GETTING AROUND

If you plan to drive, you'll need to obtain an Australian driver's license if you plan on being in the country for more than a few months. Some states allow you to convert your UK or Irish license without taking a test, while others might require you to take a driving test.

- **New South Wales** - you can only use your international licence for up to 6 months.
- **Victoria** - you can only use your international licence for up to 6 months.
- **South Australia** - if you will be a permanent resident in SA, you will need to change your licence within 90 days. Short term visitors can use their overseas licence.
- **Queensland** - if you will be a permanent resident in QLD you will need to change your licence within 90 days. Short term visitors can use their overseas licence.
- **Western Australia** - if you will be a permanent resident in WA you will need to change your licence within 90 days. Short term visitors can use their overseas licence.

In terms of public transport, most cities and towns have an extensive bus network that connects various neighborhoods, suburbs, and business districts. Major cities like Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Perth, and Adelaide have train systems that provide efficient transportation within the city and to the surrounding suburbs.

Cities like Melbourne and Adelaide have tram networks that offer convenient transportation within the city centre. Cities located near water bodies, such as Sydney and Brisbane, often have ferry services that provide a scenic and practical way to get around.

Many cities offer smart card systems (e.g., Opal in Sydney, Myki in Melbourne) that allow you to load credit and use it to access various modes of public transport.

Ridesharing services like Uber and Lyft are available in major Australian cities, providing an alternative to traditional taxis.

Australia is vast, and domestic flights are common for traveling between major cities or remote areas.

Useful links:



New South Wales



budget.com.au



Victoria



avis.com.au



South Australia



hertz.com.au



Queensland



europcar



Western Australia





Kirribilli Suburb Peninsula in Sydney Harbour, Australia

THE EVERLIGHT DIFFERENCE

Our team is here to support you, from the moment you decide to relocate to your first shift in your new home and beyond.

We offer visa assistance and resources to help you move, settle in, and adjust to your new location.

Our Global Mobility Hub, created for radiologists exploring destinations worldwide, provides access to current opportunities, destination insights, relocation tools, a community for sharing experiences, and well-being resources to support your health and work-life balance throughout your journey.

Want to find out more?

Get in touch at recruitment@everlightradiology.com to see how a teleradiology career with Everlight can open up a world of possibilities.

CHECKLIST

Before you go

Research locations and accommodation options

Prep all travel documents

Purchase private health insurance

When you get there

Apply for a Tax File Number

Enrol with Medicare

Create a MyGov account

Locate your local healthcare provider

Apply for an Australian Drivers Licence

Open your bank account

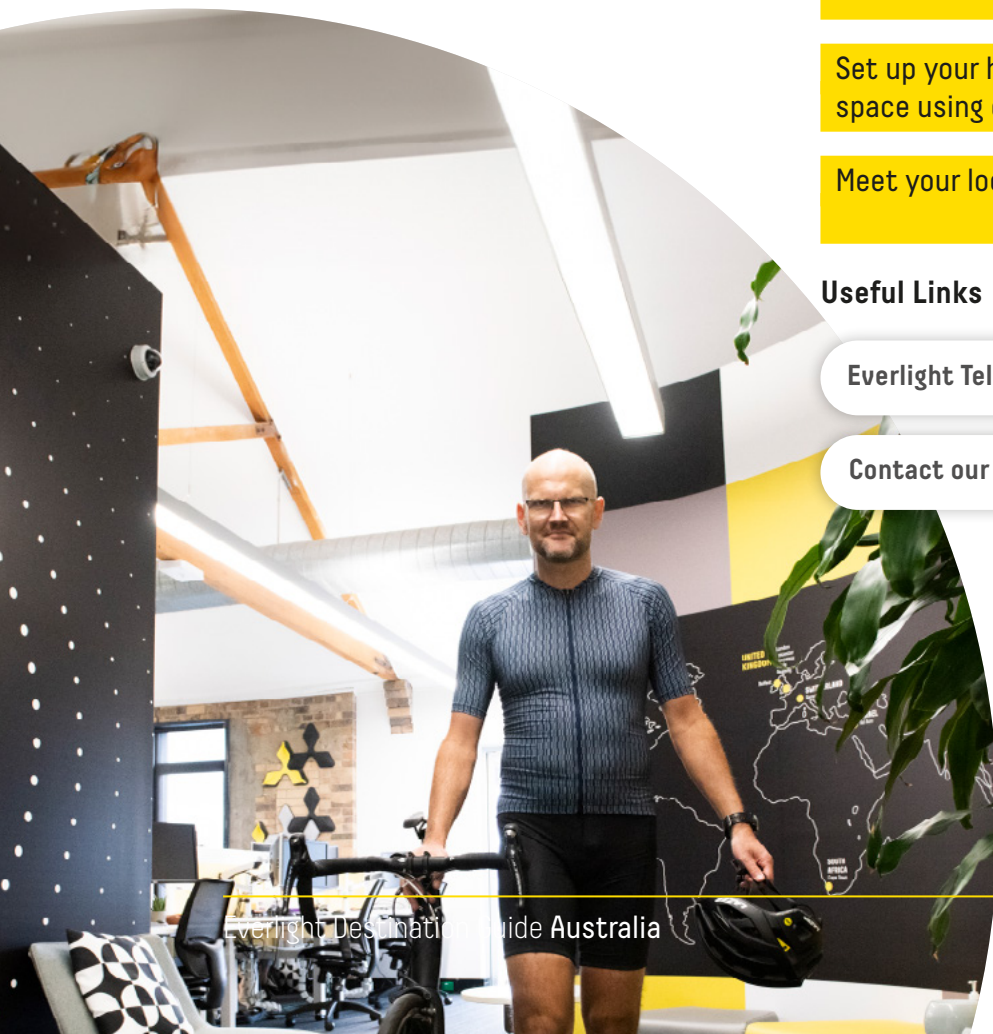
Set up your home reporting space using our handy checklist

Meet your local colleagues

Useful Links

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