



# Global Immigration alert

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## Indonesia

Indonesia expands immigration compliance checks of foreign residents and visitors

### Executive summary

Effective May 2024, Indonesia's Directorate General of Immigration (DGI) began its expansion of immigration compliance checks of foreign nationals who are residing in or visiting the country.

### Background

In 2023, the DGI launched an operation called "Jagratar," intended to strengthen monitoring of foreign residents and visitors in Indonesia and ensure comprehensive compliance with immigration regulations. Jagratar was initially implemented to enhance domestic security during the Christmas and New Year holidays in 2023 and general elections in February 2024, with the DGI recommending annual checks of foreign nationals.

### Key developments

Starting May 2024, the DGI is planning to conduct multiple checks a year instead of annually, in an effort to intensify supervision of foreign residents and their dependents in the country. Visitors are also subject to checks. These checks will be conducted randomly, without prior notification to individuals. As part of these checks, the DGI will review several aspects of these individuals, including whether the activities they conduct in Indonesia are authorized under their immigration category. Those found to be non-compliant with immigration regulations may be subject to administrative and legal sanctions depending on the severity of the violation.

### Impact on employers

Employers may ensure that foreign employees and their dependents engage only in activities that are authorized under their immigration status and notify the local immigration office in case of any change in these individuals' details (e.g., marital status, job role, residential address).

### Key steps

EY will continue to monitor these developments. Should you have any questions, we encourage you to contact one of our immigration professionals.

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