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Argentina – Citizenship by Investment Thresholds Set; Applications Expected to Open in Q4 2026

On 2 October 2026, the Argentine government announced the financial requirements for its Citizenship by Investment Program, introducing specific investment thresholds for foreign nationals seeking Argentine citizenship. The announcement builds on Decree 366/2025, which amended Citizenship Law N° 346, and Decree 524/2025, which established the administrative framework.^{1,2,3,4}

Please see the previously published [GMS Flash Alert](#) covering the details on the decree.

The government expects applications to open during the fourth quarter of 2026. As of 8 October 2026, however, the precise opening date and an operational application channel have not been officially confirmed.

WHY THIS MATTERS

The announcement provides financial thresholds that were not available when the initial framework was issued in 2025. The program is intended to attract foreign investment and would allow eligible foreign nationals to pursue citizenship without meeting a minimum residence requirement in Argentina.

The announced investment alone would not confer citizenship. Applicants would remain subject to eligibility reviews, background checks, source-of-funds verification, and national-security assessments. Prospective applicants and mobility teams may therefore need to evaluate eligibility and documentation requirements before committing funds, while recognizing that applications cannot yet be submitted.

Investment and Eligibility Requirements

- USD 350,000: A direct, non-refundable contribution to the Argentine National Treasury.
- USD 800,000: A subscription to a government security specifically established for the program.

The announcement also specifies the following amounts for eligible family members, subject to proof of the relevant relationship:

- Spouse: USD 100,000.
- Unmarried children ages 18 through 25 who do not have children: USD 100,000 each.
- Children under age 18: USD 25,000 each.

For illustration, a principal applicant, spouse, and two minor children would require USD 500,000 under the contribution option, based on the amounts announced.

Application procedure and responsible authorities

Under Decree 524/2025, the Citizenship by Investment Programs Agency (*Agencia de Programas de Ciudadanía por Inversión*), within the Ministry of Economy, evaluates applications and coordinates checks with relevant bodies, including the Financial Intelligence Unit (UIF), State Intelligence Secretariat (SIDE), Ministry of National Security, and national identity and criminal-record authorities.

The reviews cover identity, criminal and immigration history, financial standing, legitimacy and traceability of funds, and national security risks. Following its assessment, the agency forwards a recommendation to the National Immigration Directorate (DNM). The DNM then has 30 business days from receipt of the agency's report to issue a reasoned decision. This period is not an overall processing deadline measured from the initial application date.

Compliance and financial controls

The government indicated that the program's due diligence and financial transparency measures are expected to align with OECD and FATF standards. Transfers would need to be made through the formal financial system and comply with applicable anti-money laundering and counter-terrorist financing requirements.

What remains unclear

As of 8 October 2026, the available official information did not confirm the following operational matters:

- The date on which applications would begin to be accepted.
- The authorized online platform, submission forms, or other filing mechanism.
- The final supporting-document checklist for principal applicants and family members.
- The payment instructions for contributions and government-security subscriptions.
- The detailed procedures for verification, assessment and family applications.

KPMG INSIGHTS

The announcement provides greater financial clarity for prospective applicants, but the process does not appear to be operational because the filing mechanism and implementing instructions have not been published. Prospective applicants and mobility teams might wish to consider these actions:

- Review whether the principal applicant and family members appear to meet the announced eligibility conditions.
- Identify documents that may be required to establish identity, family relationships, criminal and immigration history, and the source and traceability of funds.
- Assess the potential legal, tax, immigration, foreign-exchange, and financial implications in each relevant jurisdiction.
- Defer any program-related transfer or security subscription until the competent authorities publish official payment and filing instructions.

For further guidance on eligibility, compliance or planning, please contact your usual immigration adviser or a member of the KPMG Argentina immigration team.

ENDNOTES:

- 1 Ministry of Economy (in Spanish), "[Announcement of the Citizenship by Investment Program](#)," published on 2 October 2026.
- 2 Ministry of Economy (in Spanish), "[Decree 366/2025 - Amendment to Citizenship Law No. 346](#)."
- 3 Ministry of Economy (in Spanish), "[Decree 524/2025 - Administrative procedure](#)," published on 31 July 2026.
- 4 Ministry of Economy (in Spanish), "[Decree 285/2026 - Agency executive appointment](#)," published on 27 April 2026.

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