

# Is act.gov.au legit? TrustSniffer's high-trust assessment: 80/100

act.gov.au

## Verdict

80

OUT OF 100

HIGH TRUST

act.gov.au appears legitimate.

Our checks found nothing pointing to fraud. Ordinary care still applies when you pay or sign in.

Not Scam

Low Risk

Assessed 2026-08-11 by automated analysis. Classification confidence 55%.

What this site appears to be

Official ACT Government homepage offering navigation to government services, news, media releases, and public information across many civic topics.

## Evidence status and limitations

- Evidence completeness: UNKNOWN
- The real-world operator identity was not independently verified.
  - Module-level completeness metadata is unavailable for this legacy report.

## At a glance

The checks that decide most of this verdict.

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|---------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Malware engines           | <b>None flagged it</b><br>VirusTotal                              | <span>CLEAR</span> |
| Google Safe Browsing      | <b>Not listed</b><br>Google                                       | <span>CLEAR</span> |
| Abuse reports on the host | <b>0 reports</b><br>AbuseIPDB; shared hosting inflates this count | <span>NOTED</span> |
| Domain age                | <b>Not available</b><br>No registration record was returned       | <span>NOTED</span> |
| Web archive               | <b>Never archived</b><br>No public history of this site           | <span>WATCH</span> |
| Certificate               | <b>Encrypted connection</b><br>Issued by YE2                      | <span>NOTED</span> |

## The page as captured

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No screenshot is retained for this report.

## Key findings

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- Automated classification: Not Scam.
- No flags from the reputation services TrustSniffer consulted at assessment time.
- The operator behind the site could not be independently connected to a real-world brand or person.

## Full analysis

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### Overview

The website presents itself as the ACT Government's public-sector information and service portal, providing visitors with access to government services, civic information, news, media releases, consultations, and guidance across areas such as health, transport, education, housing, tax, and emergency services.

### Scam/Impersonation Risk

No phishing, impersonation, malicious-content, or blacklist contradictions were observed. The homepage has a coherent government-service purpose, contains no login or sensitive-data form, and presents no cryptocurrency, investment, advertising, or other abuse-oriented mechanics. A superficial name-similarity signal was not supported by the page content, which identifies the site as an ACT Government website and contains no suspected brand-impersonation indicators. The available evidence therefore supports an apparently legitimate, low-risk public-service site, while independent operator verification remains incomplete.

#### EVIDENCE

- The homepage identifies itself as "An ACT Government Website," with government-service navigation and civic information rather than commercial conversion content.
- The homepage contains no login form, hidden form, password-external destination, wallet interaction, or sensitive-data form.
- External reputation checks recorded 0 malicious detections, 0 suspicious detections, and no blacklist hit; the domain is ranked 22603 and is within the top 1,000,000 sites globally.

### Regulatory Verification Notes

The site's stated public-sector purpose is consistent with its content and with the use of the government-domain suffix. The available registration record names "Government of the Australian Capital Territory - Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate" and lists "auDA Internal (9999)" as registrar; these are supporting administrative signals, not independent proof that the real-world operator has been verified. No commercial financial licence or licence number is presented in the supplied homepage evidence. That is a regulatory-disclosure point for any specific service involving regulated activity, not evidence of a scam. The site's apparent legitimacy is further supported by its substantive civic content, clean reputation, stable page behavior, and valid transport encryption.

#### EVIDENCE

- The homepage title is “Home - ACT Government” and covers 14 civic subject areas, including business, health, law and justice, money and tax, transport, and public consultations.
- Registration records list registrar auDA Internal (9999) and owner Government of the Australian Capital Territory - Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate.
- TLS certificate: issuer YE2, validation level DV, valid to 2026-10-23 17:08:23 UTC.

#### What to Verify Next

For any linked service that requests credentials, personal information, or payment, the relevant ACT Government service page and contact channel should be confirmed through an independently sourced government directory or offline contact route. Where a linked activity involves regulated financial, payment, or other licensed services, the relevant provider’s authorization should be checked directly with the applicable registry, together with its terms, complaint route, and payment-protection arrangements. Routine reading of the public information does not require those additional checks.

#### EVIDENCE

- The homepage functions as an information and service-navigation portal rather than a commercial checkout.
- No sensitive form, external password destination, wallet connection, or hidden form was detected during page interaction.
- The site completed 2 successful behavioral runs, with 2 successful runs recorded.

#### Summary Verdict

The available evidence is consistent with an established, apparently legitimate government information website and supports a high-trust, low-risk posture. The convergence of clear institutional purpose, clean external reputation, stable technical operation, and government-domain context supports normal browsing and ordinary service navigation, but does not independently prove the real-world operator identity.

#### Infrastructure Integrity

The site resolves directly to infrastructure associated with SQUIZ-AS-AP - Squiz Pty Ltd, AU, on AS55532, with hosting located in Poland. No trusted CDN or WAF edge layer was detected; two likely origin addresses were identified, so the infrastructure provides limited concealment of the hosting layer. This is an architectural observation rather than an adverse legitimacy finding.

#### EVIDENCE

- Hosted on AS55532, SQUIZ-AS-AP - Squiz Pty Ltd, AU.
- Server IP recorded as 2.58.104.10; server country recorded as PL.
- Infrastructure summary recorded 2 unique IPs, 0 edge IPs, and 2 likely origin IPs; no CDN was detected.

## Closing Assessment

Normal public-information use is proportionate to the evidence; before any credential or payment interaction through a linked service, independent confirmation of the service identity, terms, contact route, and applicable payment protections should be completed.

Written analysis generated 2026-08-11 by the TrustSniffer Analysis Engine from the evidence in this report.

## What the analysis found

No rule findings contributed to this verdict.

## Identity verification

|                                  |            |
|----------------------------------|------------|
| Status                           | UNVERIFIED |
| Identity score                   | 55/100     |
| Identity verification confidence | 60%        |

- Identity verified on page

Identity verification measures whether the site can be independently connected to a real-world brand or person. It is separate from the classification confidence.

## What TrustSniffer observed

First-party facts recorded during the assessment of act.gov.au.

- The request stayed on act.gov.au. It was not redirected to another domain. CLEAR
- Registration is published under auDA Internal (9999). CLEAR
- DNS for this domain is served by t.au, across 5 name servers. NOTED
- It is hosted on SQUIZ-AS-AP, from a server in PL. NOTED

## Domain intelligence

|                    |                                                   |
|--------------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| Registrar          | auDA Internal (9999)                              |
| Hosting            | SQUIZ-AS-AP - Squiz Pty Ltd, AU                   |
| Country            | PL                                                |
| Server IP          | 2.58.104.10                                       |
| Name servers       | t.au, r.au, q.au, s.au, a.au                      |
| SSL issuer         | YE2                                               |
| SSL expiry         | 2026-10-23                                        |
| Domain age         | Not available (no registration date was returned) |
| Domain expiry      | Not available                                     |
| Archive first seen | Not available                                     |
| Archive snapshots  | 0                                                 |

## About this assessment

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A trust score summarises the evidence TrustSniffer could collect about [act.gov.au](https://act.gov.au) at assessment time. It is a starting point for your own judgement, not a guarantee: a high score means the signals were consistent with a legitimately operated site, a low or critical score means several risk patterns were present.

TrustSniffer assesses a website from the evidence it can collect at a point in time: domain registration and age, hosting and certificate, the content the site served, and third-party reputation feeds. A score is a summary of that evidence, not a guarantee and not a legal finding. There is no human rating and no user review in it. A site can change after it is assessed.

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