

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

homeaffairs.gov.au

Verdict

80

OUT OF 100

HIGH TRUST

homeaffairs.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 2026-08-13 by automated analysis. Classification confidence 55%.

What this site appears to be

Official Department of Home Affairs page providing information on immigration, visas, national security, cyber security, border protection, and related services. Contains links to subsidiary agencies and social pages; provides resources, reports, and contact information.

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.

Malware engines	None flagged it VirusTotal	CLEAR
Google Safe Browsing	Not listed Google	CLEAR
Abuse reports on the host	0 reports AbuseIPDB; shared hosting inflates this count	NOTED
Domain age	Not available No registration record was returned	NOTED
Web archive	Never archived No public history of this site	WATCH
Certificate	Encrypted connection Issued by DigiCert Global G3 TLS ECC SHA384 2020 CA1	NOTED

The page as captured

No screenshot is retained for this report.

Key findings

- Automated classification: Not Scam.
- No flags from the reputation services TrustSniffer consulted at assessment time.

Full analysis

Overview

The website presents itself as the Australian Department of Home Affairs' public-service portal, providing information and guidance on immigration, visas, citizenship, border protection, national security, cyber security, settlement services, reports, and departmental support rather than offering a commercial product or transaction platform.

Scam/Impersonation Risk

No contradictions were observed. The homepage content, navigation, and service scope are coherent with a government public-service site, and the assessment found no phishing, brand-impersonation, malicious-content, or confirmed blacklist indicators. The site does not expose a login form, sensitive submission form, wallet connection, or suspicious external posting behavior during the observed interaction. The available evidence therefore supports a low scam or impersonation risk, while the real-world operator identity remains likely rather than independently proven.

EVIDENCE

- The homepage identifies the Department of Home Affairs and provides government-service sections covering immigration and citizenship, border protection, national security, cyber security, and settlement services.
- External reputation checks recorded 0 malicious detections, 0 suspicious detections, and no blacklist hit; the domain was listed within the global top 1,000,000 websites at rank 13250.
- Observed browsing recorded 0 external XHR requests, 0 external POST requests, 0 hidden forms, 0 password-external forms, and 0 wallet-provider or wallet-drainer activity.

Regulatory Verification Notes

The site has a clear public-sector purpose and provides departmental information, legal materials, privacy information, access-to-information resources, integrity standards, reports, and contact pathways. It does not present a commercial license number or regulated-financial-service claim; this is consistent with the stated informational government-service model, but the available material does not independently establish the real-world operator's identity. Registration records identify the registrar as the Department of Finance and the owner as the Department of Home Affairs. No matching broker-warning record was identified, although that contextual signal is not a legal or regulatory determination.

EVIDENCE

- The site's About Us, Our Functions, Corporate Information, Legal Materials, Privacy, and Contact Us areas provide institutional and service-related disclosures.
- Registration records list "Department of Finance" as registrar and "Department of Home Affairs" as owner.
- The site's TLS certificate is OV-validated, issued by DigiCert Global G3 TLS ECC SHA384 2020 CA1, with subject organisation "Department of Home Affairs," valid to 2026-10-24T23:59:59+00:00.
- The domain uses the sovereign government suffix "gov.au," and the supplied government-trust context classifies it within the government category.

What to Verify Next

Before any credential or payment interaction initiated through a purported Home Affairs service, the relevant service should be reached through an independently confirmed government directory or an offline-verified departmental contact route. Any request for payment, identity documents, or credentials should be checked against the applicable departmental privacy notice, service instructions, and payment-protection process rather than relying solely on an unsolicited message or embedded referral. The site's official contact and "How to engage us" pathways provide appropriate starting points for that confirmation.

EVIDENCE

- The homepage navigation includes "Contact us," "How to engage us," "Help and support," and "System maintenance and technical issues."
- The site provides privacy, public-interest disclosure, access-to-information, and legal-materials sections relevant to handling departmental interactions.
- The site links to Facebook and LinkedIn pages, providing additional channels for independently comparing departmental branding and contact information.

Summary Verdict

Available evidence supports an established, apparently legitimate public-service website with a high-trust, low-risk posture. The site's purpose and observed behavior are consistent with a genuine government information service, but the operator's real-world identity should be treated as likely rather than proven independently.

Infrastructure Integrity

The website is protected by Akamai CDN/WAF infrastructure, which is a mitigating control that reduces direct exposure of the underlying service and supports stable, mainstream edge delivery. Protective hosting is not, by itself, proof of institutional legitimacy.

EVIDENCE

- Hosting infrastructure is served from AS20940, AKAMAI-ASN1 – Akamai International B.V., NL.
- Four observed addresses were CDN edge addresses: 2.23.209.138, 2.23.209.155, 2a02:26f0:e2::1732:3b7a, and 2a02:26f0:e2::687b:4418.
- The transport certificate uses OV validation and DigiCert Global G3 TLS ECC SHA384 2020 CA1 as issuer.

Closing Assessment

Normal informational browsing is proportionate to the available evidence. Credential or payment interactions should proceed only after ordinary independent confirmation of the relevant departmental service, contact route, privacy handling, and payment protections.

Written analysis generated 2026-08-13 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	LIKELY
Identity score	76/100
Identity verification confidence	76%

- Identity verified on page
- Trusted social count=2

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 homeaffairs.gov.au.

- The request stayed on homeaffairs.gov.au. It was not redirected to another domain. CLEAR
- Registration is published under Department of Finance. CLEAR
- DNS for this domain is served by akam.net, across 6 name servers. NOTED
- It is hosted on AKAMAI-ASN1, from a server in NL. NOTED

Domain intelligence

Registrar	Department of Finance
Hosting	AKAMAI-ASN1 - Akamai International B.V., NL
Country	NL
Server IP	2a02:26f0:e2::687b:4418

Name servers	a1-17.akam.net, a11-64.akam.net, a13-65.akam.net, a2-66.akam.net, a20-67.akam.net, a4-64.akam.net
SSL issuer	DigiCert Global G3 TLS ECC SHA384 2020 CA1
SSL expiry	2026-10-24
Domain age	Not available (no registration date was returned)
Domain expiry	Not available
Archive first seen	Not available
Archive snapshots	0
Reputation	VirusTotal: 0 flagged AbuseIPDB: 0 reports Google Safe Browsing: 0 matches

About this assessment

A trust score summarises the evidence TrustSniffer could collect about homeaffairs.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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