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WHOIS : the .au perspective

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.au Domain
Administration Ltd



Who is auDA?

- **We are a not for profit endorsed by the Australian Government to deliver a trusted .au for the benefit of all Australians.**
- Our focus is delivery of a stable, secure and reliable .au
- There are over 4.2 million domain names registered in the .au
- .au is the 10th most popular domain worldwide
- We are proactive in tackling DNS abuse to protect internet users



.au WHOIS

- The .au WHOIS allows you to search the .au registry for a .au domain name and view the publicly available data for it including registrant contact information and the registrar of record.
- <https://whois.auda.org.au/>



Example

- Domain Name: AUDA.ORG.AU
Registrar WHOIS Server:
whois.auda.org.au
Registrar URL:
<https://www.auda.org.au/about-auda/contact-us>
Registrant Contact ID: AUDA
Registrant Contact Name: CEO
Registrant Contact Email:
auda.domains@auda.org.au
Registrant: .au Domain Administration Ltd
Registrant ID: ACN 079 009 340
Eligibility Type: Company



Security, stability and integrity in .au

- The public WHOIS allows anyone to identify and contact the holder of a .au domain name.

This is to ensure that we can:

- Have a strong focus on identifying and shutting down DNS abuse in the .au. DNS abuse includes phishing, pharming, malware, botnets and spam that facilitates these harms.
 - 53000 DNS look up per second, 4.7 billion look ups a day
- = This equates 138 billion a month



Direct impact on Phishing & Malware

Phishing and Malware are the predominant types of Abuse we encounter in the .au DNS

- In 2022/23 we undertook over 2,200 DNS abuse audits
- 76 % of cases managed were phishing type of cases
- 24 % of cases managed were malware type



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Thank you.
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