

Types of scams



Ways scammers reach out

Text or SMS scams

Scam messages look like they are from the government, businesses you deal with or even your own family or friends to try to catch you out.

Phone scams

Scam calls are more than annoying – they cost Australians \$141 million in losses last year.

Email scams

Scam emails look like the real thing, but watch out for links and attachments designed to steal your money or information.

Social media scams

Be suspicious of anyone who unexpectedly contacts you on social media. Scammers use these platforms to gain your trust and steal your money.

Website scams

Scammers can pretend to be anyone online to deceive you into trusting them.

In person scams

Some scams take place in person.

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Online dating and romance scams

Scammers use dating or friendship to get your money. They work hard to make you think the relationship is real, then manipulate you to give them money. Romance scams leave you broke and broken-hearted.

Investment scams

If you're looking to make money through investing, watch out – scammers have created all sorts of fake opportunities to get you excited and take away your cash.

Product and service scams

Scammers prey on consumers and businesses that are buying or selling products and services. Not every transaction is legitimate.

Threats and extortion scams

Scammers will use any means possible to steal your identity or your money – including threatening your life or 'hijacking' your computer.

Jobs and employment scams

Jobs and employment scams deceive you into handing over your money by offering you a 'guaranteed' way to make fast money or a high paying job for little effort.

Unexpected money

Don't be lured by a surprise win. These scams try to deceive you into giving money upfront or your personal information in order to receive a prize from a lottery or competition that you never entered.

Impersonation scams

Scammers impersonate trusted businesses, friends or family, to steal your money or personal information.

Further information

For further information please contact Gavin Knight on (02) 4341 8440 or admin@paladinwealthgroup.com.au.

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