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Australian Taxation Office

The Australian Taxation Office (ATO) updated the group on current ATO impersonation scam statistics along with a newly reported scam methodology attempting to leverage the myGovID to myID name change to entice recipients into falling victim to a phishing scam designed to steal personal information. The ATO has addressed this risk by issuing external scam alerts to inform the Australian population.

Australian Cyber Security Centre

The Australian Cyber Security Centre (ASCS) provided a summary of the Annual Cyber Threat Report 2023–2024 to highlight the number of reported cyber incidents to ASCS, and the actions taken in response to the reported incidents. The report details the types of cyber incidents being reported, key demographics being targeted, and suggests suitable mitigation strategies.

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The Australian Taxation Office (ATO) continues to see a high level of email and SMS ATO impersonation scam reports with fake 'myGov' login phishing sites being the top reported scam. In response the ATO issued a scam alert to raise awareness and educate the community on how to identify and report on these scams.

Australian Cyber Security Centre

The Australian Cyber Security Centre promoted resources associated with Essential 8 and advice around cyber security practices for specific organisations which is available on their website at cyber.gov.au

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ATO updates

The ATO continued to observe the incidence of ATO Impersonation via social media with reports occurring on a variety of large platforms. In response the ATO has issued a scam alert to raise awareness and educate the community on how to identify and report on these scams.

The ATO continues to see a high level of email and SMS ATO Impersonation scam reports with fake myGov login phishing sites being the top reported scam.

The ATO has released a series of Tax Practitioner Newsletter articles that focus on each of the mitigation strategies of the Australian Cyber Security Centre (ACSC) Essential Eight.

Australian Cyber Security Centre

The ACSC continues to encourage the use of their 24/7 hotline for Cyber threat incidents at **1300 CYBER1** (**1300 292 371**). The ACSC has helpful guides and advice on staying secure available on their website www.cyber.gov.au 🖸

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Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand have developed a wide range of cyber security guidance for their members including baseline and reporting requirements as well as a self-assessment checklist.

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The ATO continues to see a high level of email and SMS ATO Impersonation scam reports with fake 'myGov' login phishing sites being the top reported scam.

An emerging trend is a large number of impersonation and fraudulent profiles present on social media platforms.

The ATO has responded to the fake social media profiles by launching a series of educational social media posts via Facebook, LinkedIn and Twitter.

The group also received an update on e-Invoicing which can reduce the risk of businesses falling victim to 'business email compromise'.

Australian Cyber Security Centre

The Australian Cyber Security Centre (ACSC) has worked closely with the Australian Federal Police, State Police and Private Industry to identify customers most at risk in the Optus Breach as part of Operation Guardian.

ACSC continues to encourage the use of their 24/7 hotline for cyber threat incidents at 1300 CYBER1 (1300 292 371). ACSC has helpful guides and advice on staying secure available on their website, www.cyber.gov.au

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In a landmark decision, the Federal Court has found that a failure to adequately manage cybersecurity risks constitutes a breach of general Australian financial service license obligations. legislation passed by the Federal Court will now hold Australian financial service licensees legally responsibility for their cyber security defence.

The decision demonstrates the importance of cyber security and the requirement to effectively consider your cyber security risk and posture. You can find more detail in the <u>Australian Securities and</u> Investments Commission media release .

ATO

The ATO continues to see a high level of email and SMS ATO impersonation scam reports with fake 'myGov' login phishing sites being the top reported scam.

The ATO continues to be proactive in our scam education and awareness campaign in the lead up to tax time. A media release and associated social media has been issued to the community on what to look out for during tax time and how to protect yourself and your business from scams.

Australian Cyber Security Centre

The June 'Act Now Stay Safe' campaign theme is focussed on Business Email Compromise (BEC) with information, advice and a 'quiz' to help you identify BEC on the Australian Cyber Security Centres (ACSC) website.

With the end of financial year coming to a close, additional caution is required from the community, and small business. The ACSC has helpful guides and advice on how to stay safe this time of year, with some simple things you can do to apply good cyber security practices and avoid tax time scams. You can find more information at Tips to Stay Secure Online at Tax Time.

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