



# Scammers stole \$210.4 million in the last 5 financial years from culturally and linguistically diverse people<sup>1</sup>.

## Most common scams<sup>2</sup>



Phishing scams

**4,111 reports**

This is when a scammer tries to convince you to give them personal or banking details.



False billing

**1,454 reports**

This is when a scammer sends you a fake invoice or changes the banking details on an invoice you're expecting.

## Greatest losses<sup>2</sup>



Investment scams

**\$21.7m**



Threats

**\$6.8m**



Dating and romance scams

**\$4.4m**

## 3 steps to protect yourself and your community:

### **STOP.**

Don't give money or personal information to anyone if unsure.

### **CHECK.**

Ask yourself if the message or call is fake.

### **PROTECT.**

Act quickly if something feels wrong.



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<sup>1</sup> Scamwatch data between 01/07/2019 and 30/06/2024.

<sup>2</sup> Based on scam reports made to Scamwatch between 01/07/2023 and 30/06/2024 by people with non-English speaking background.