



Connecting the Coast

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Keeping your data safe in today's technological world is of high importance to business and families. The Federal Government has released an online tool to assist Australian online users with practical tips and advice on e-security. [Stay Smart Online's](#) website contains basic information on:

- how to secure your computer
- information on small business safe online
- best practice tips for smart transacting online
- information on keeping young people safe online

The website is hosted by the [Department of Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy](#) and has received input and support from a range of other Australian Government agencies which have related responsibilities. The Stay Smart Online Alert Service is a free information source designed to provide Australian home users and small businesses with up to date and simple advice and information in plain language on the latest e-security threats and software vulnerabilities. The Stay Smart Online Alert Service is available through the [Stay Smart Online](#) website.

The service will provide timely information that is easy to understand about the latest online threats and vulnerabilities within an Australian context. Australian online users will be able to sign up to receive the free service and can unsubscribe whenever they choose. They will also have the option to pick and choose which types of information they would like to receive.