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Department of Industry, Science and Resources

Australia's approach to trustworthy AI and standards

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Trust drives AI adoption

AUD 116B

Potential GDP gain over the next decade

85%

of Australians support government regulation of AI

70%

would be more comfortable using AI with strong safeguards

National AI Plan: three objectives



Capture the opportunity

Research, supercomputing, datasets and investment

1,500+ AI firms; AUD 1B for critical tech via SIV



Spread the benefits

Help SMEs, workers and communities adopt AI

National AI Centre; AI Adopt Program



Keep Australians safe

Testing, monitoring and human oversight

Australian AI Safety Institute established in June 2026

Innovation and safeguards go together. They are not competing priorities.

Standards turn principles into practice

Standards

Testing & measurement

Conformity assessment

Accreditation

International
ISO/IEC JTC 1/SC 42

National
Office of AI (PM&C) leading Australia's AI standards framework including:

- A new set of Australian Standards for AI
- Strengthening copyright and artist protections