

Cybersecurity Public Value Assessment Initiative



Freedom of Information Request

The objects of the FOI Act “promote Australia’s representative democracy by increasing public participation in government processes, with a view to promoting better-informed decision making” – OAIC

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FOI Request

This is an application under the Freedom of Information Act 1982.

I request access to any existing document schedule, file index, record register or chronology for the OAIC’s preliminary inquiries into the 2025 Qantas data breach under s 42(2) of the Privacy Act 1988.

If that information is not available in a discrete document but can be produced from electronically stored information using ordinarily available equipment, I request a document under s 17 of the FOI Act listing, for each record:

- its date;
- its title or subject;
- its document or record type;
- the organisation that sent or received it, without individual names;
- its page count or file size, where recorded; and
- its document or case-management reference number.

I also request any recorded case-level metadata showing:

- the dates the preliminary inquiries commenced and closed;
- the number of information requests issued;
- the number of responses and documents received;
- the number of meetings or interviews held;
- the number of external reports or sources considered; and
- the titles, dates and reference numbers of the final closure recommendation and decision record.

The relevant period is 27 June 2025 to 16 July 2026.

This is an initial request intended to identify records before any later, targeted request. I do not seek the contents of the listed documents, personal information, credentials, customer information or sensitive technical details.

If any metadata is exempt, please provide the remaining information in an edited copy under s 22. If the scope presents a practical-refusal concern, please contact me so that I may refine it.

If a processing charge is contemplated, I request that it be waived or reduced because the request concerns public understanding of the OAIC's regulatory decision-making following a breach affecting millions of people.

I do not seek documents that are already publicly available, provided the agency identifies where they can be accessed.

I do not seek duplicate copies of documents captured by this request. I seek access only to the final version of each relevant document. If no final version exists, I seek access to the most recent draft.

I do not seek access to the phone numbers or full email addresses of government officials.

Where responsive documents exist in spreadsheet, table, dashboard export, slide deck, or other native electronic form, I prefer access in that native format rather than as a flattened PDF.

If documents are released as PDFs, I request searchable PDFs rather than scanned image files wherever reasonably practicable.

If the agency decides that no documents exist, or that no further documents exist, I request that the decision describe the searches undertaken, including the business areas searched, search terms used where applicable, systems searched, and why those searches were considered sufficient.

Kindest Regards,
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