Identity crime is now one of the most common crimes in Australia.

Every 45 seconds someone somewhere in Australia is affected by identity crime.

The DVS is a fast, secure and trusted way for organisations to check your identity information—and it protects your privacy.

It makes it harder for criminals to use fake or stolen documents to steal people’s identities, launder money, or buy pre-paid mobiles to hide what they’re doing.

The DVS matches information on an identity document against the records of the agency that issued that document.

The DVS is:

*Trusted*—supported by all Australian governments as part of the National Identity Security Strategy.

*Private*—no centralised database, so no personal information is held once the check is completed.

*Voluntary*—government agencies are only able to use the DVS to check your identity documents with your consent.

*Tested*—since 2009 the DVS has checked over fifty million documents for government agencies and businesses - and it's growing.

The DVS—giving you the confidence to use services online.