

# Australia's Digital Frontier: AI, Cyber Threats, and Shifting Social Media Habits

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**1. What significant investment did Microsoft announce in April 2026 to expand Australia's AI and cloud infrastructure, strengthen cybersecurity, and equip Australians with AI skills?**

- A) A \$5 billion commitment
- B) A \$10 billion commitment
- C) A \$25 billion commitment
- D) A \$50 billion commitment

**2. Which Australian government minister recently signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Microsoft to strengthen the nation's digital resilience?**

- A) Minister for Finance, Katy Gallagher
- B) Minister for Home Affairs and Cyber Security, Tony Burke
- C) Minister for Industry and Science, Ed Husic
- D) Attorney-General, Mark Dreyfus

**3. According to recent reports, which of the following is a growing concern for Australia's power grid due to the expansion of AI data centers?**

- A) Over-reliance on solar power
- B) Sudden disconnection of multiple facilities
- C) Underutilization of renewable energy sources
- D) Decreased demand for electricity

**4. A recent cyberattack disrupted operations at which major Australian industry, forcing harvests to halt?**

- A) The mining sector
- B) The agricultural sector (sugar mills)
- C) The automotive manufacturing sector
- D) The tourism industry

**5. What is the name of the new program of work unveiled by Tony Burke to uplift Australia's cyber maturity over the next three years?**

- A) Horizon 1
- B) Horizon 2
- C) Horizon 3
- D) Cyber Shield Initiative

**6. According to a 2025 Index report, what percentage of young Australians (18-24) use Instagram for news?**

- A) 25%
- B) 40%
- C) 58%
- D) 72%

**7. Research indicates that a growing number of young Australians are turning to what as an alternative to social media to facilitate meaningful connections?**

- A) Online gaming communities
- B) Virtual reality social platforms
- C) In-person social clubs
- D) Online forums and message boards

**8. What is a key concern for young Australians regarding online content, with nearly half worried about encountering it?**

- A) Online advertising
- B) Fake news and misinformation
- C) Gaming loot boxes
- D) Social media influencer marketing

**9. The 'Australia Effect' trend on social media showcases tourists' transformations after visiting the country, often referred to as an 'Aussie glow up'. What does this trend primarily highlight?**

- A) Increased spending power
- B) Acquired local slang
- C) Physical and aesthetic changes
- D) Improved surfing skills

**10. Which streaming service has a June 2026 release schedule that includes 'The Bear' Final Season and 'Alice and Steve'?**

- A) Netflix
- B) Disney+
- C) HBO Max
- D) Stan

**11. According to a 2025 report, what percentage of Australian internet users (16-64) reported using social media for work-related activities, a significant increase from the previous year?**

- A) 13%
- B) 20.7%
- C) 30.7%
- D) 52%

**12. Which of the following is NOT listed as a major export for Australia according to the Observatory of Economic Complexity in 2024?**

- A) Iron ore
- B) Coal
- C) Cars
- D) Wheat

**13. What is the primary focus of the Senate inquiry examining artificial intelligence data centres in Australia, as chaired by Senator Sarah Hanson-Young?**

- A) Expanding data centre capacity
- B) Encouraging international investment
- C) Examining environmental, economic, and social impacts
- D) Developing new AI technologies

**14. The viral video and internet meme 'Democracy Manifest', recorded in 1991, features an Australian man being arrested where?**

- A) At a train station
- B) In a Chinese restaurant
- C) At a sporting event
- D) Outside a government building

**15. In the context of Australian online gambling reforms, what is a key change expected to take effect from January 1, 2027?**

- A) Introduction of online pokies
- B) Licensing regime for online casinos
- C) Stricter advertising regulations for sports betting
- D) All of the above