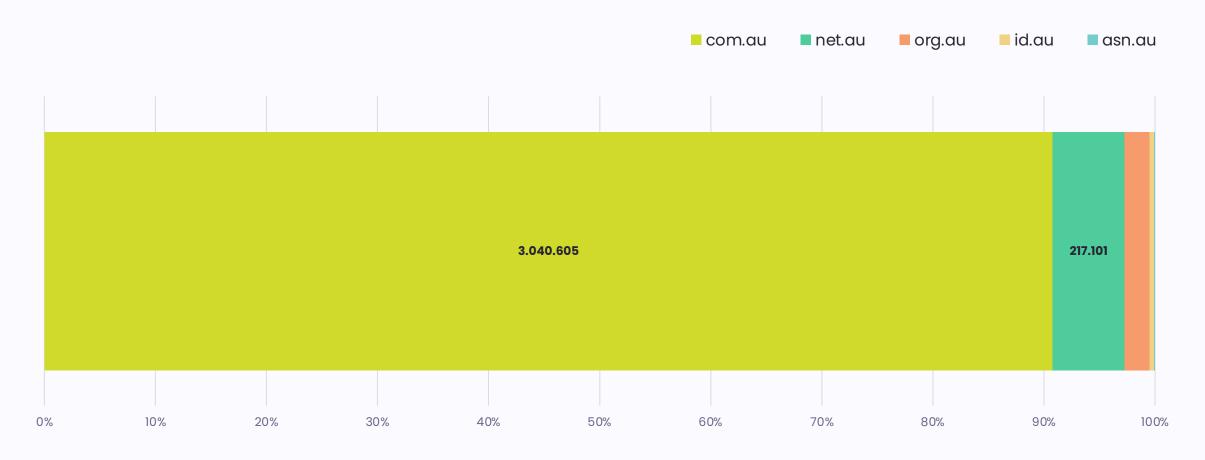
# .au direct – Australia's newest domain namespace

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#### Namespaces sizes



As at 31 August 2021

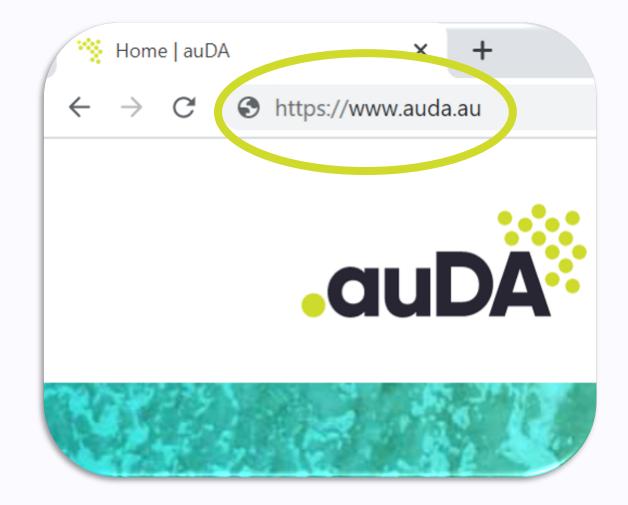
# Innovating in the .au domain

- High demand for .au names
- Keep pace with community change and expectations
- International innovations



#### A new .au namespace

- Short, simple and effective
- Easy to recognise
- Easier to type
- Easier to recall
- Launching 24 March 2022



## **Benefits of .au direct**

- .au direct will:
  - Deliver a wider choice of available names in the .au domain
  - Allow users to register shorter, more memorable domain names
  - Provide names that are easier to display on mobile devices



# **Priority Allocation**

- Why is it necessary?
  - More than one registrant may be eligible to apply for the same .au direct name

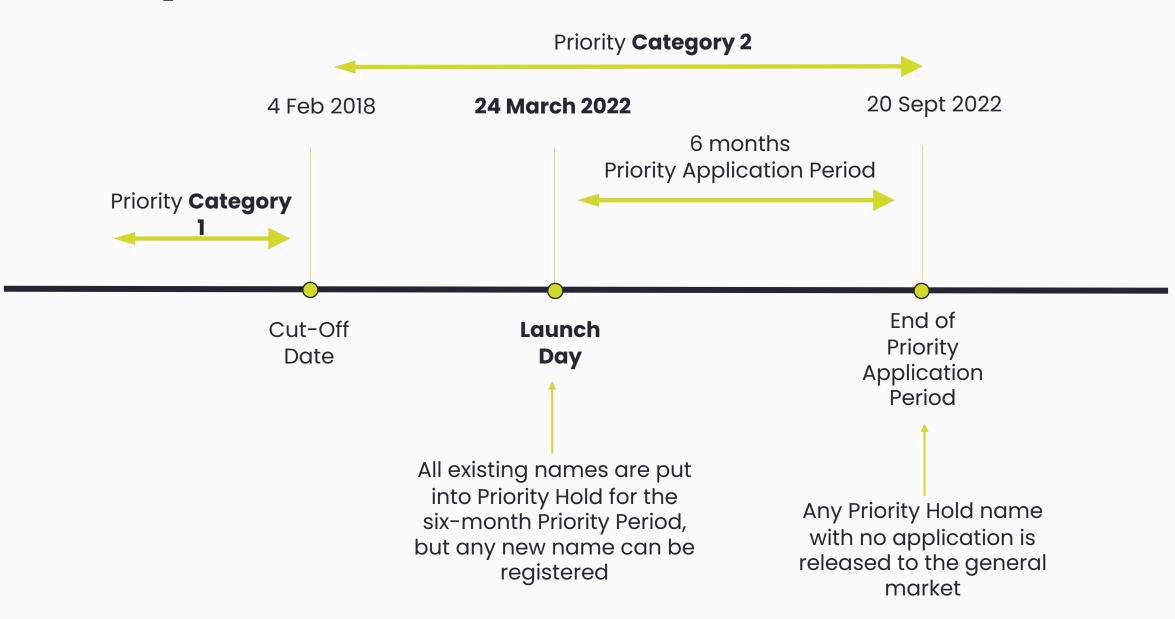


### Priority Allocation explained

- The Priority Allocation was co-designed with stakeholders
- Pre-existing registrants are provided priority to apply for an exact match
- Priority Allocation Period is six months following launch



### **Priority Allocation Process timeline**



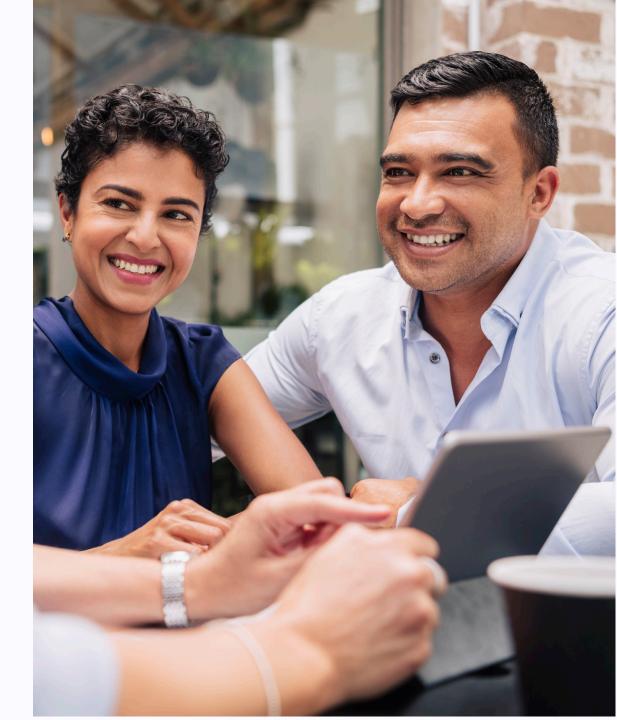
#### **Uncontested names**

- Only one applicant
- They are the holder of the exact match of the .au direct name in another .au namespace
- Allocated .au direct name on a one-year licence



#### **Contested names**

- Each holds the same name in different .au namespaces
  - Jane holds getyour.com.au
  - Joe holds getyour.org.au
- Each must apply for Priority Status
- Priority Category 1 applicant will have priority
- If both Priority Category 1, move to negotiate
- If both Priority Category 2, allocated to earliest applicant



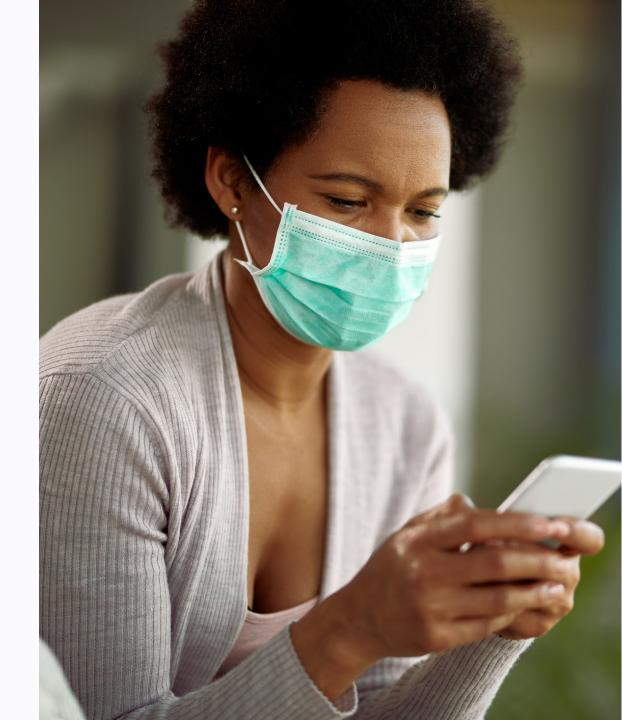
#### End of Priority Allocation Period

- 20 September 2022
- Where no applications have been received, or the name is not in contention, .au direct names will be available to the public on a first-come, first-served basis.



# Find out more

- Accredited .au registrars:
- https://www.auda.org.au/accredited-registrars
- Visit auDA.org.au/audirect
  - Fact Sheet
  - Priority Allocation Process
  - Namespace Implementation Rules



# Thank you

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# Appendix

# **Priority Application example**

Party	А	В		С	D	Result
Domain name	getyour.com.au	getyour.net.au	С	getyour.org.au	getyour.id.au	
Creation Date	Jan-2005	Feb-2010	T	Mar-2018	Aug-2018	
Case 1	Applied	Applied	O F	Applied	Applied	A & B go into conflict resolution
Case 2		Applied		Applied	Applied	B gets getyour.au
Case 3		•	D A T E	Applied	Applied	C gets getyour.au, as creation date of getyour.org.au is before getyour.id.au
Case 4					Applied	D gets getyour.au