

Parliament of Victoria

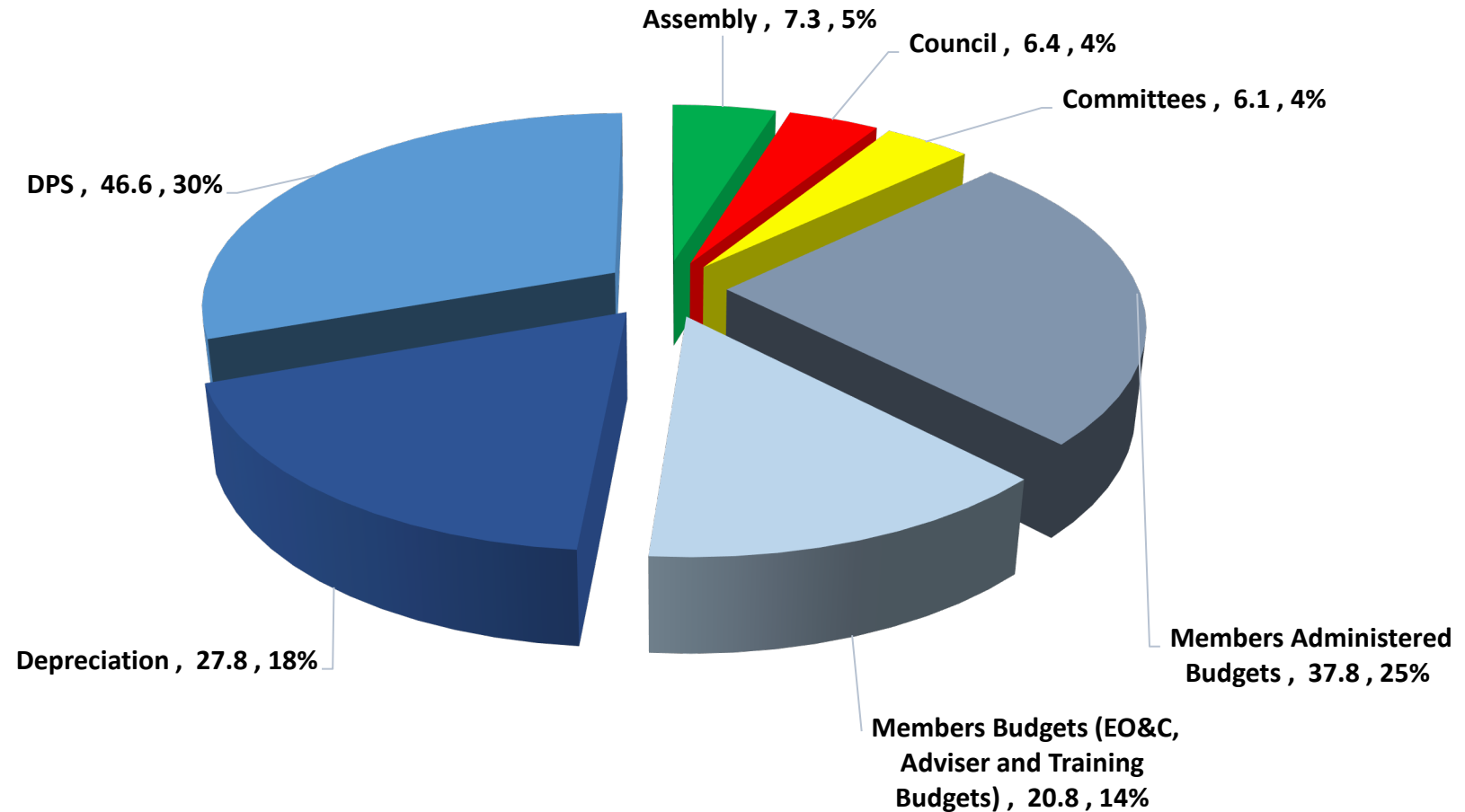
2022-23 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING

Monday 16 May 2022

Parliamentary Departments Appropriation (\$m)

| | 2022-23 (\$m) | 2021-22 (\$m) | Change (\$m) |
|--------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Output | 150.5 | 146.8 | 3.7 |
| Asset | 12.1 | 15.2 | - 3.1 |
| Total | 162.6 | 162.0 | 0.6 |

Parliamentary Departments Output Budget Breakdown 2021-22 (\$m)



COVID- 19 Response

- Facilitated procedural arrangements to enable both Houses to sit in a COVID-19 environment
- Support provided to parliamentary committees to undertake inquiries in a COVID-19 environment
- Maintained remote work capability
- Supported MPs and EOs – wellbeing, training and security
- Responded effectively to significant increase in security incidents
- Construction activity continued across key Parliament House projects and at electorate offices (within COVID limitations)
- Mandatory vaccination for members and staff

Community Engagement

- Aboriginal Change Makers education resource launched
- Online events to connect with diverse communities
 - STEM and Society series for National Science Week
 - Presentation for National Week of Deaf People
 - Forum during the Australian Heritage Festival
- New suite of resources developed for Members to support them during visits to schools
- Online professional development programs for teachers
- Parliament in practice program continuing for Victoria University law and justice students
- Continued support for our twinned parliaments of Fiji, Tuvalu and Nauru
- Capacity building program for Fiji Parliament



Achievements in 2021-22

- Completion of chamber audio upgrade
- Gender Equality Action Plan (GEAP) submitted to the Gender Equality Commission
- Negotiated EBA for Electorate Officers
- Completed initiatives in the Disability Action and Inclusion Plan
- Reflect Reconciliation Action Plan endorsed by Reconciliation Australia

Supporting members to fulfil their roles as elected representatives

- Administered VIRTIPS and provided compliance support to Members
- Increased training and professional development opportunities for Members and electorate officers, including online delivery options
- Supported Members and electorate officers (Employee Assistance Program)
- Developed new questions database
- Facilitated remote working arrangements for electorate officers
- Electorate office relocations in 2021-22 (as at 30 April 2022)
 - 8 projects fully completed
 - 4 projects at various stages

Upgrading the people's house for future generations

- Contemporary work spaces that are OH&S and DDA compliant for MPs and staff
- Stage 12 of Stone Façade Restoration project completed in November 2021 with Stage 13 (final stage) underway
- Stage 3 (final stage) of East Wing project underway

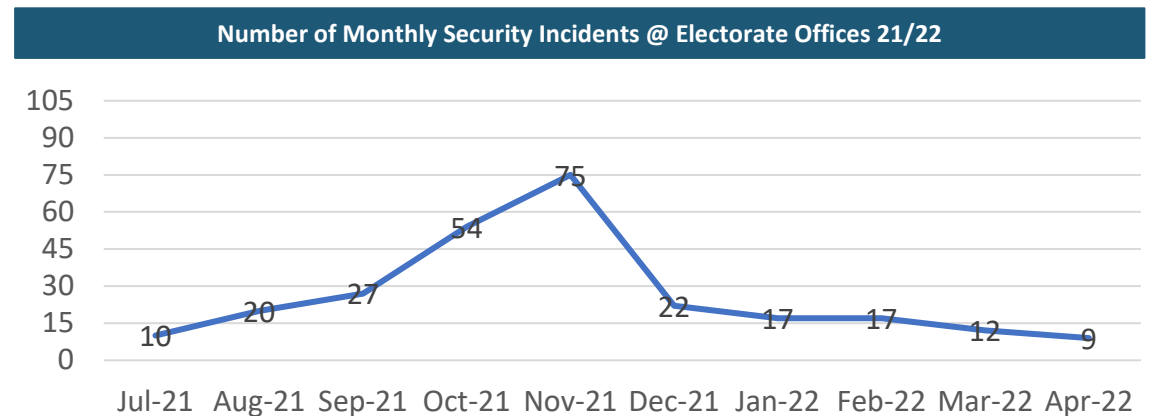


Electorate Office Security Challenges

- Security team attended to a substantial increase in security incidents at electorate offices due to COVID-19 restrictions and pandemic legislation
 - 2019/20: 107
 - 2020/21: 205
 - 2021/22: 263
- The four most significant incident types at EO's
 - Threats & Intimidation
 - Vandalism & Graffiti
 - Observation of Concern
 - Demonstration

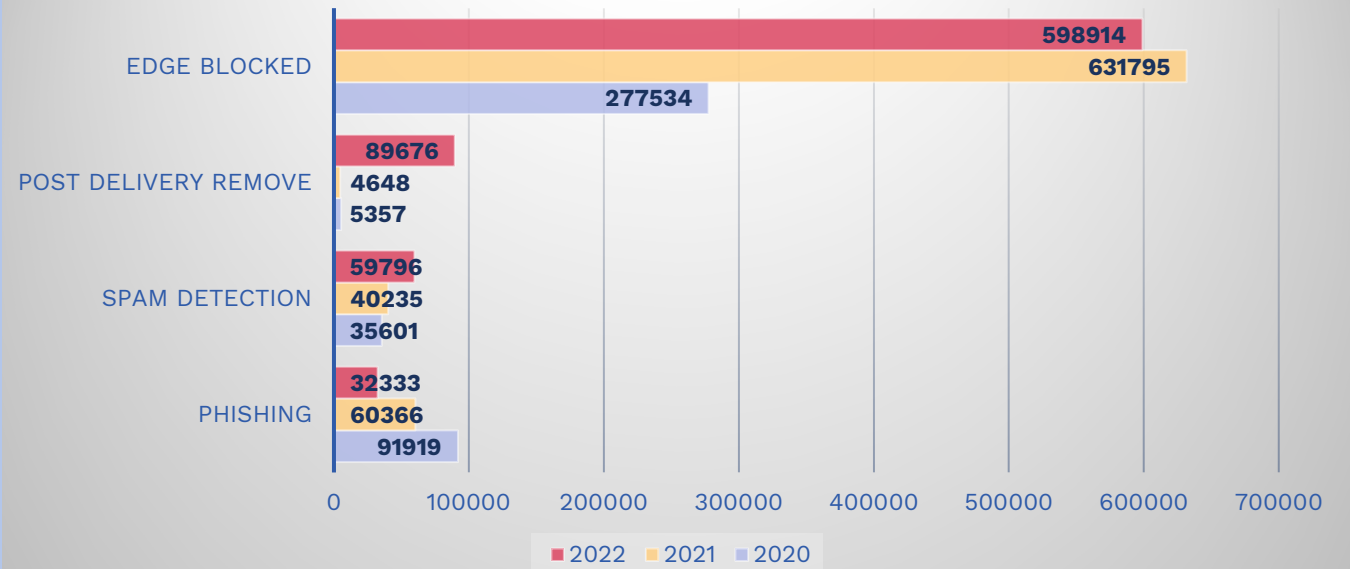


New electorate office security interface

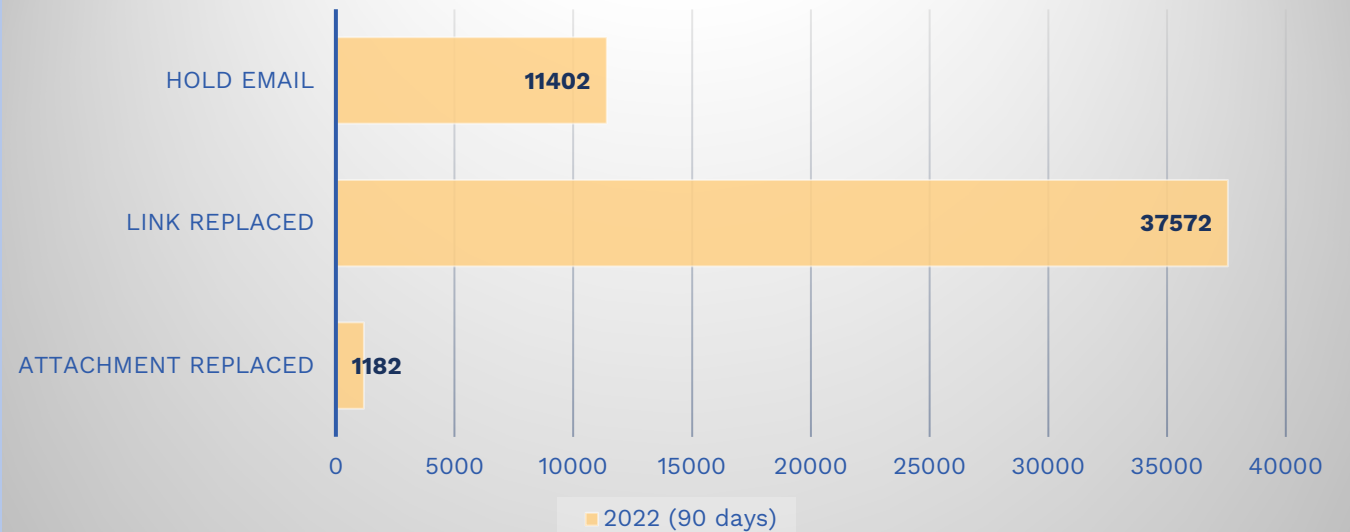


Cyber Security Challenges

Microsoft Email Protection (90 Days)



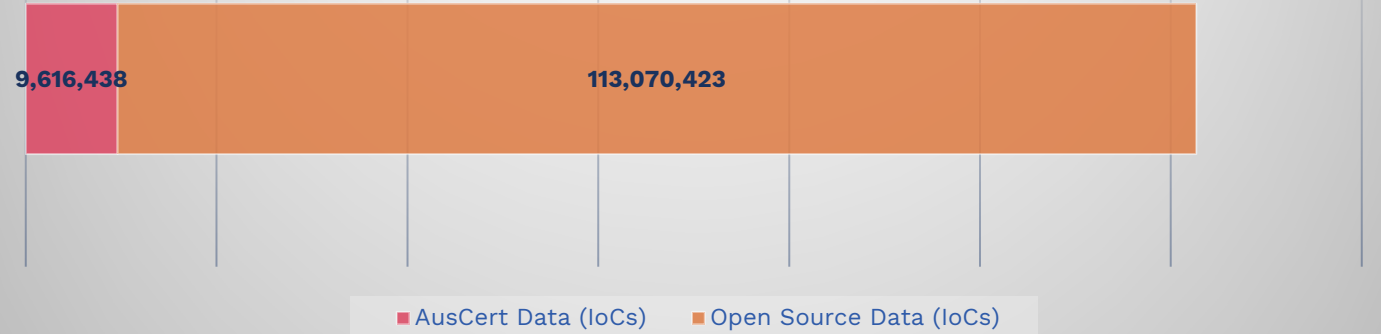
Antigena Additional Email Protection



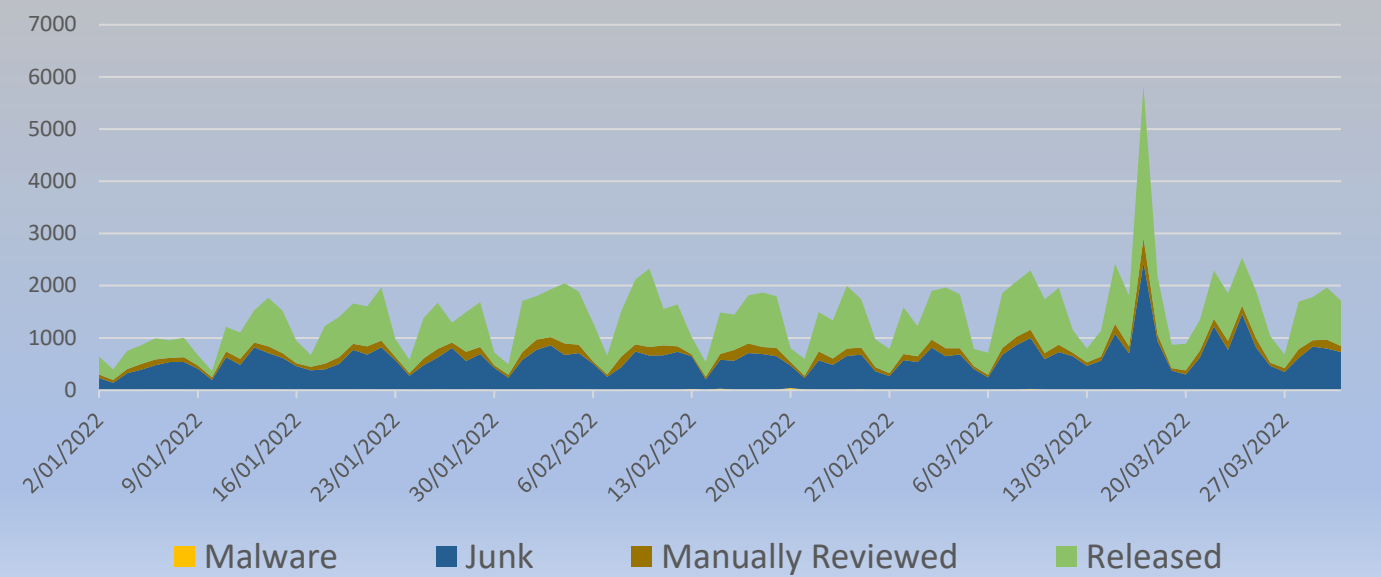
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Cyber Security Challenges continued

Internet Connections Blocked Via Intelligence Feeds (90 Days)



Quarantined Email Management



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Priorities for 2022-23

- Continue to maintain COVID-19 safe workplace for employees
- Opening of new Parliament and induction of new members
- Electoral Boundary Redistribution
- VIRTIPS administration and compliance support to Members
- Members Transition Support Program
- Continue cyber security upgrades
- Protective security upgrades (Parliament House and electorate offices)
- Continue to progress final stage of East Wing project and stone façade restoration project
- Continue to refurbish/relocate electorate offices (with security overlays) to new standards