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The challenge

- In Australia, it is estimated there are **260,000 firearms** (250,000 long arm and 10,000 handguns) in the domestic illicit market.
- These firearms are used in tens of thousands of gun related offences that occur every year.
- Serious and organised crime groups are increasingly **trafficking firearms** as an income means.



Campaign focus

- In early 2021, Australia's first ever permanent firearms amnesty was launched, urging anyone with unregistered or unwanted firearms to surrender them without penalty or judgement.
- Phase Two, launched in February 2022, encouraged people with information about an **illicit firearm** to contact Crime Stoppers before it's too late.





Target audiences

- Phase One: **gun owners without criminal intent** highlighting the ease of handing in unregistered and unwanted firearms, parts and accessories.
- Phase Two: **women**, aged 25-54 years motivated by community safety, fear or in the best interests of themselves or their family particularly where a current or ex-partner has access to an illicit firearm.

Tactics

- The **advertising strategy** was led by TV, along with press, social media, out of home, digital display as well as traditional and digital radio.
- Phase One concentrated on community engagement events
- Phase Two included more targeted mediums, reaching the audience in one-on-one moments using Spotify, washroom signage and streaming services.
- Media and PR activities.
- Stakeholder engagement and relationship development.







Creative



- We used a visually engaging creative that showed different firearms identified by police as the **most commonly seized** in Australia.
- The guns disintegrated through animation, as a powerful metaphor to reflect the campaign message of 'no illegal guns, that's our aim'.

Results

- 899 news mentions, reaching **4.86** million people and \$965,000 in earned media value.
- 415,061 visitors to the Crime Stoppers Australia website campaign page, recording 539,293 sessions.
- 128 community engagement events.
- Total advertising reach of more than **35.3 million** across social media, large & small out of home, washrooms, billboards, print, TV and radio.



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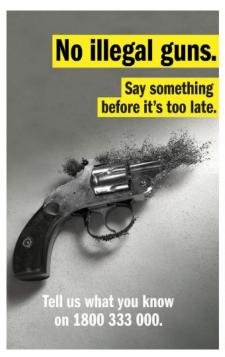
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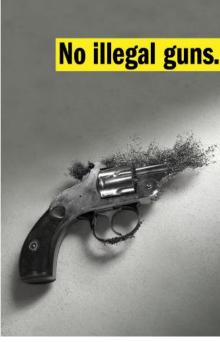
If you have one, hand it in without penalty. Visit crimestoppers.com.au/FirearmsAmr

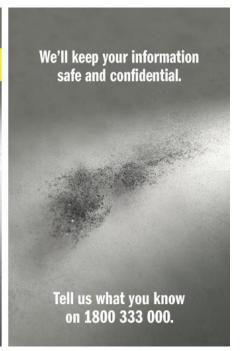




Operational results







- More than 15,000 firearms, parts and ammunition surrendered or seized by police.
- Nearly 7000 Information Reports raised for police investigation.
- Significant bolstering of police intelligence holdings.
- Independent **audit tick of approval**, with the report finding "the Activities and Outcomes delivered by CSA were achieved in a challenging and unique operating environment."

Questions









FACEBOOK AMBER ALERT



South African Police Service: Division Detective and Forensic Services: Crime Investigation Service: Crime Stop and The Bureau for Missing Persons



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BACKGROUND

- Facebook officially launch the Amber Alert for Missing Children in conjunction with the South African Police Service (SAPS)'s National Bureau for Missing Persons and Crime Stop on 30 January 2022.
- Amber Alert can only be requested by SAPS National Bureau for Missing Persons.
- An Amber Alert will reach all Facebook users within 160km radius of the where the missing child was last seen.
- An Amber Alert remains on Facebook users' news feed for 24 hours whereafter it automatically disappears or remains until law enforcement cancel the alert, whichever occurs first.
- All information is received via the MYSAPS App tip-off button or Crime Stop 08600 10111. Crime Stop operates 24/7 with information immediately disseminated to the Investigating Officer.

HOW TO ACTIVATE AMBER ALERT

The missing child should preferably be under the age of 13 years old and at imminent risk of death or serious bodily harm. If the child is older than 13 years and under 18 years of age, a written motivation by the investigating officer is crucial.

When time is of the essence, the Head: Family Violence Child Protection and Sexual Offences (FCS), or the Provincial Head FCS can request an emergency Amber Alert with 'skeleton information' before the actual registration of the case

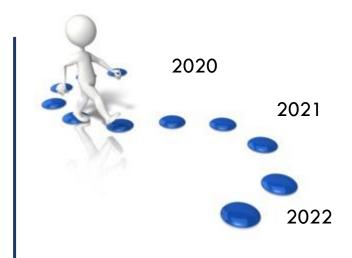
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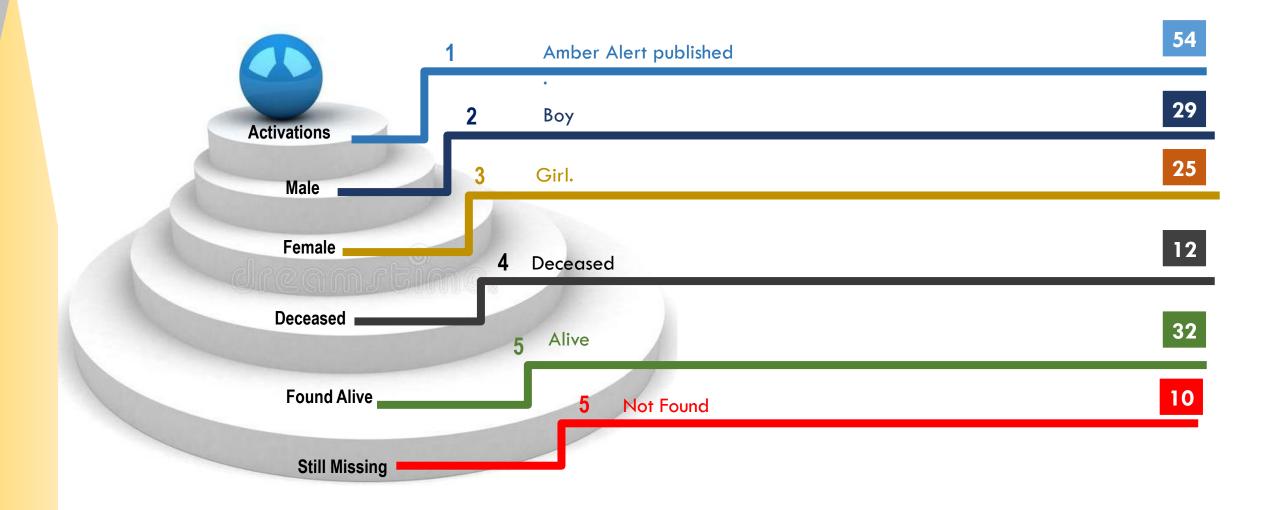


Amber Alerts

AMBER ALERT ACTIVATIONS

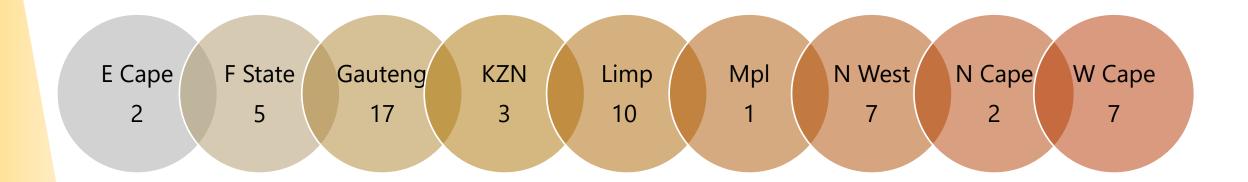


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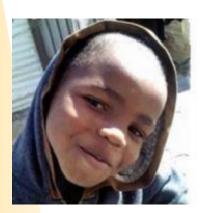
Amber Alerts published per Province



Deceased Children

























Still Missing



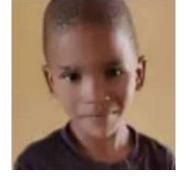


















Found Children





























































SAPS CRIME STOP 08600 10111 SAPS EMERGENCY LINE 10111

SIMPLY DOWNLOAD MYSAPS MOBILE APP

MySAPS App is a free crime tip-off mobile application available for smart phones on google play store and apple app store





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THANK YOU













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- 2. Region 2 Dave Forster: had formerly advised he would bring his .ppt on a thumb drive
- 3. Region 3 Alex MacDonald: Holding Slide only (ie no separate .ppt coming)
- 4. Region 5 Vince Hughes: you have to hand (ie I can see you have downloaded from WeTransfer)
- 5. Region 7 Attie Lamprecht: you have to hand
- 6. Region 4 Mick Duthie: you have to hand (ie again, I can see you have downloaded from WeTransfer)
- 7. Holding Slide: Sharon to thank all presenters, call for questions, close-out session