Category 1 (self described)	Category 2 (other, e.g. app store, google play)	Platform Name	Description	eSafety Code or Standard (Do with ICE input)	~ no. Australian users	~ no. Australian children using platform	Based/domiciled	Content can be posted or pinned to own user profile or stories	Posting to platform e.g. newsfeed, open forums (excluding large private messages channels)	Link to, or interact with, some or all of the other end users (e.g. direct messages, replies, comments, follow requests)	Livestreaming	Video calling	Direct messaging for stim permitted	Appearance editing tools (e.g. filters, not general markup tools)	Endless content (endless scrolling/feed refresh/autoplay)	Social engagement features (incl likes/views/follower counts)	Content feeds / explore tabs driven by algorithmic recommendations	Time sensitive features and/or content (stories/streaks, view once, daily login rewards)	Other features associated with problematic use (e.g. in app notifications, objects, email reminders, loot axes, creat receipts, not /other visual notifications, avatar status)	Features /content available without account/login (other mobile app or desktop)	Other comments	Third party reports regarding safety risks to children / young people	eSafety complaints data	Reporting pathways	Trust and safety resourcing (e.g. %staff)	Community guidelines + policies	Nudity policy	Option to opt-out of algorithmic recommended content feed	Option to opt out of push notification	Age Assurance Methods	Availability of age-appropriate experiences (e.g. Teen accounts), Not including parental controls in isolation.	Other Safety tech	Scans for known CSEA	Scans for unknown CSEA	Media updates	Age Assurance Methods2
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Messaging	Communication	**4chan**	4Chan is an anonymous image-based bulletin board where users can post comments and share images anonymously. There is no registration to access this platform. Users can access 4chan on desktop, or on web browser.		3% of traffic is from Australia (approximately 60,000 ums)		Michigan, US	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	N/A - min age 18	No	No	Replies	No	Minimal	Minimal	Yes, users can actively engage anonymously without signup or login	While 4Chan does not appear to have many traditional social media features associated with addictive use, the site is known to host content inreappropriate for children that can be easily accessed.		**GNET report on subset of far right 4chan users facilitating harmful use of AI:** https://gnet-research.org/2023/06/07/i-dolphin-ai-a-new-weapon-for-online-radicalisation-on-4chan/		Yes, report by rule/policy type, no login required but user must complete a captcha	Unknown	Brief 'Rules' covering the whole website with additional rules for particular boards (interest-based communities). The Rules are easy to locate, however not comprehensive.	Permitted	N/A	N/A - no push notifications	• Status Under investigation by UK Ofcom for failing to comply with the Online Safety Act. Issues No known age assurance tools; Ofcom flagged 4chan for not conducting risk assessments or responding to legal requests	No	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown		• Status Under investigation by UK Ofcom for failing to comply with the Online Safety Act. Issues No known age assurance tools; Ofcom flagged 4chan for not conducting risk assessments or responding to legal requests
Messaging	Social	**AI dungeon**	AI Dungeon is a single-player/multiplayer text adventure game which uses artificial intelligence (AI) to generate content and allows players to create and share adventures and custom prompts. Interaction in AI Dungeon is facilitated through simple text inputs, where players can type actions, dialogue, or direct the story in a particular direction. AI Dungeon also supports multiplayer adventures, allowing friends to co-create stories and explore the AI-generated worlds together.Those who wish to craft their own narratives can do so, setting the stage for unique adventures that can be shared with the community. Available on web browser and on all major app stores as mobile apps.				San Francisco, California																							Controls Mature content is gated behind AI Safety settings, which now require age verification to toggle. Update As of June 2024, AI Dungeon fixed a bug that allowed users to change mature content settings without age verification					Controls Mature content is gated behind AI Safety settings, which now require age verification to toggle. Update As of June 2024, AI Dungeon fixed a bug that allowed users to change mature content settings without age verification
Livestreaming	entertainment	**Animal Crossing: New Horizons**	This is a social simulation game produced by Nintendo for Nintendo Switch devices. Gameplay is set in a deserted island where the player has essential items to inhabit the island. It is open-ended and non-linear, allowing players to exercise creative freedom. Up to 8 other players can interact with and visit each the player's island.		Unknown	Unknown	Kyoto, Japan	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	Best friend list	No	Yes	Minimal	Yes				In app reporting mechanism for users to report concerns, flag innappropriate content and provide feedback.	While there isn't a specific "Trust and Safety Team" explicitly named within the game itself, Nintendo does have a system in place to address concerns and ensure a positive gaming experience for Animal Crossing players.		Community guidelines easily found online and easy to understand. Terms of use not found, likely to abide by Nintendo Terms of use. Accessibility from inside the app is untested.	N/A	N/A	N/A - no push notifications	Online Play No formal age verification; relies on parental controls via Nintendo Switch settings.	Yes	Unknown	N/A - No videos or photos can be uploaded	N/A - No videos or photos can be uploaded	Online Play No formal age verification; relies on parental controls via Nintendo Switch settings.
Livestreaming	Social	**Apple Vision Pro**	The Apple Vision Pro is Apple's first foray into mixed reality, combining augmented reality (AR) and virtual reality (VR) to deliver immersive digital experiences. Built with optics, multiple cameras, and the M2 chip, the headset is designed to merge the digital and physical worlds.		Unknown	Unknown	California, US	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes via inbuilt messaging app. Users 13+ can create an apple account and use iMessage.	Yes via inbuilt apps	N/A- Does not have an inbuilt newfeed.	N/A	No	No	Some	Yes				User can block, filter and report communication via messages and phone app. Users can only report as 'spam or junk.	N/A		N/A to online safety. Apple does not claim liability for harm that occurs on apps made for Apple Vision Pro.	N/A	N/A	Yes	No biometric or document-based age verification; enforcement is manual (e.g., in-store demos may ask for ID).	No	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	No biometric or document-based age verification; enforcement is manual (e.g., in-store demos may ask for ID).
N/A	Social	**Bellzal**	Bellzal is a photo sharing app that prompts users to share an unfiltered photo of themselves and their immediate surroundings once a day. Once prompted, users have two minutes to share a photo using the front and back cameras of your phone and you can then see, react and comment on Bellzal posts from your friends. If users don t post on a given day, they will be unable to see the posts of other users. Users can still see other people s posts if you post late, and your post will be given a label showing how late it was. Bellzal posts are private by default and only visible to friends, however users can choose to make them public, meaning they can be seen by other users on the Discovery page. Available on all major app stores as mobile apps. You can also choose to share location data about where your images were taken. If you post publicly to the Discovery page and choose to share your location, users will only see your rough location, which can be used to search for posts in your area.		Unknown	Unknown	Sébastopol, France,	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Endless scrolling feed	Likes, reactions, follower counts, location sharing	No	Yes	Multiple	No				Yes, login required, reporting by issue type.	Unknown	Detailed, easy to understand. Separate Terms of Service, Privacy Policy, and Community Standards.	Prohibited if nudity is non-consensual.	No	Yes	Reports of no robust age verification at sign-up, raising concerns	No	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Reports of no robust age verification at sign-up, raising concerns
Social	Social	**Bigo Live**	Bigo Live is a live-streaming platform where users can broadcast themselves and interact with others in real time. It is used for social interaction, gaming and entertainment. Users have the option to monetise their content through virtual gifts. Available as an app on major app stores and as an app for smart phones or a browser site on desktop.		Unknown (popular in app charts)		Singapore	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A - min age 18	Yes	Endless swiping vertical livestreams feed + Endless content available from homepage/feed (requires selection)	Likes, Comments, Chats, Gifts, Followers, Reactions, Multiplayer games	Yes	Ephemeral nature	Multiple	View only	Users can navigate and join different rooms/spaces without a login. Creators can also create livestreams that are 'private rooms' where they invite select (e.g. subscriber) users only.	Bigo was temporarily taken down from app stores due to incidents of child abuse.			Yes, user reprots by harm type, login not required	Unknown	Minimal and unclear. Desktop search engines return several hits for 'Bigo Live community guidelines' and while all pages appear to be owned by Bigo, they are not consistent.	Prohibited	Unclear, untested	Yes		No, minimum age for use is 18	Unspecified Bigo automated and manual systems to detect underage activity as well as Child Sexual Exploitation and Abuse ("CSEA"). Any attempt to circumvent these systems is prohibited	Unknown	Unknown		
Photo & Video	Social	**BlueSky**	Bluesky is a decentralised social media platform. Users can post short messages, photos and videos. Available as an app on major app stores for smart phones, a desktop app and on web browser.		Unknown (popular in app charts)		Washington, US	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Endless scrolling feed	Likes, Reposts, Requotes, Replies, Follows, Mentions	Yes, however in addition to the default algorithm, users can easily create their own topic-based feeds.	Negligible	Minimal	View only	Settings for all users are set to default to only allowing messaging from people the user follows. Likes, posts, blocks, and mutelists are public.	Bluesky deployed Thorn's AI-powered Safer moderation technology in response to reports of child abuse material.			Yes, user must be logged-in, reporting options usually by policy type	Appropriate (trust and safety team)	Simple, easy to understand but not comprehensive in e.g. examples, explanations.	Permitted	Partial, users can curate their own feeds however the baseline 'Discover' feed is still available.	Yes	Partnered with Epic Games' Kids Web Services and Yoti for facial age estimation • Verification Methods • Facial scan. • Government ID upload. • Credit card check. Impact UK users under 18 or who decline verification lose access to DMs and adult content. KWS – Age Estimation (Facial Age), Age Verification (ID) (Payment cards)	No	Thorn's SAFER, Hash matching with global databases, Cloone,	Yes	Unknown		Partnered with Epic Games' Kids Web Services and Yoti for facial age estimation • Verification Methods • Facial scan. • Government ID upload. • Credit card check. Impact UK users under 18 or who decline verification lose access to DMs and adult content. KWS – Age Estimation (Facial Age), Age Verification (ID) (Payment cards)
Social	Social	**Boo**	Boo is a dating and friendship app that uses personality psychology to help users find compatible matches. Boo uses location based matching and a built in messaging system which includes features like instant translation across different languages, sharing of photos and videos and live video-chat. BOo is available on all major app stores as a mobile app.				Oregon, US	Yes																				No automated age checks at sign-up.					No automated age checks at sign-up.
Communication	Social	**Botlify.AI**	Botlify AI is a free app that lets users chat with AI-powered characters and/or create a digital friend. Users can use the app to have conversations on a variety of topics including intimate discussions, philosophical debates and casual texting. Botlify AI also has AI photo generation capabilities. Botlify AI can be accessed via all major app stores as mobile apps.				New York, US	Yes																				No formal age assurance tools reported					No formal age assurance tools reported
Communication	Social	**Bumble (including BFF)**	Bumble is a social media service used for friendship, dating and online networking. It differs from other mainstream dating and friendship apps by allowing women and non-binary people to make the first move to initiate a relationship. When members of the opposite sex are matched on bumble by mutually swiping right, only the woman is able to make a connection. In same sex relationships or if you or your match are non-binary, either person is encouraged to make the first move. Once the first move is made, the other person has 24 hours to respond, or the connection expires. A separate app called Bumble for Friends is also available. Bumble is abailable as a web browser or on all major app stores as a mobile app.		Unclear- 2nd most used dating app in Australia	N/A	Texas, United States	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	N/A - min age 18	No	No	Yes - matches	Yes	Minimal	Some	No				Yes - avenues for in and out of app reporting options.	Appropriate (trust and safety team)	Yes, clear to understand and easy to navigate. Terms of use and community guidelines separate.	Prohibited - on profile, but private consensual images involving nudity is permitted	Somewhat	Yes	• ID verification via Veriff (passport, driver's license, etc.)Facial recognition optional.	No	"Private Detector" feature Bumble uses proprietary and protective technology that utilises artificial intelligence to detect and blur lewd nude images. It then alerts the recipient who can choose to view, delete or report the image	NCII	Unknown		• ID verification via Veriff (passport, driver's license, etc.)Facial recognition optional.
Messaging	Social	**Cantina AI**																									No formal age verification at sign-up.					No formal age verification at sign-up.
Short-form video	Entertainment	**Chai Chat AI**	Chai is an AI-powered chat platform that lets users interact with AI characters. Users can create their own AI characters or chat with characters created by other users. Users publish their chatbots to the platform for other users to chat with it. This is available on web bowrser, desktop app and all major app stores for mobile phones.				California, US																				No robust age checks; users can easily bypass age gates.					No robust age checks; users can easily bypass age gates.
~~Chamet~~	Social	**Chamet**	Chamet is a 1-on-1 and multiplayer online video and voice chat app, which allows users to connect with people globally. Main features include video calling and translation. Users can chat privately, live stream, use location-based services to see people nearby, hosts partys where they can talk to strangers and play games and have group conversations. Chamet is available on all Google Play as a mobile app.				Hangzhou, China	Yes																				Age verification mechanisms at sign-up but doesn't go into detail into what method					Age verification mechanisms at sign-up but doesn't go into detail into what method
Communication	News	**CharacterAI**	Character.AI is an artificial intelligence (AI) chatbot that lets you create digital characters and interact with them via text, voice messages and calls. You can create an avatar for your AI character as well as a distinct voice, and you have the option to make your character public for others to chat with. You can interact with characters designed by other people, including characters in the likeness of popular fictional characters or famous people. Online messaging and a group chat feature also lets you chat with other people and AI characters. Aryon can create their own chatbot and apply NSFW or not safe for work filters. Available as as an app on all major app stores for mobiles and on web browser.		Unknown	Unknown	California, US	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Untested	No	High volume of content available from homepage/feed (requires selection)	follower count, num	Yes	Nil	Some	No				Mother sues CharacterAI over son's suicide.		Yes- reporting directly in chat function by issue type with option to add additional details. Additionally, option to report out of app available.	regrate (trust and safety te	Yes- separate community guidelines and terms of service. Clear and easy to understand.	Permitted	No	Yes	Age rating changed from 13+ to 17+ to comply with app store and safety standards No biometric or document-based age checks reported.	Yes - parental overview features that allow visibility to hours spent on the app and what chatbots teens are interacting with. Teens interact with bots that are trained differently to chatbots for adults.	Unspecified automated decision-making and moderation	Unclear	Unclear		Age rating changed from 13+ to 17+ to comply with app store and safety standards No biometric or document-based age checks reported.
Connection	Communication	**Coffee Meets Bagel**	Coffee Meets Bagel is dating site designed for users who are looking for a serious relationship. Users can like and pass on suggested matches based of profiles and engage in private text based conversations and live video conferencing. Coffee Meets Bagel is available on all major app stores as a mobile app.				San Francisco, California	Yes																				ID verification via Persona (passport, driver's license, etc.) Accounts flagged for false identity must verify to regain access. Verification expires after 24 hours if not completed.					ID verification via Persona (passport, driver's license, etc.) Accounts flagged for false identity must verify to regain access. Verification expires after 24 hours if not completed.
Social	Social	**Coverstar Social**	TikTok alternative designed for children 10 years and up, and families. Content is consistently monitored and no explicit or dangerous content is allowed. Furthermore, the social platform doesn t support direct messages for safety reasons.		Unknown	Unknown	California	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Endless scrolling feed + endless swiping vertical short-form video feed	Yes - likes, views, followers,	Yes - no search bar	NIL	Multiple	No				Yes - in app and out of app options available.	Yes - separate terms of use and community guidelines. Easy to understand and navigate. Do not have an adapted version for children (main audience).	Prohibited	No	Yes	States it's COPPA compliant No - App is designed as a platform for kids and families, and it doesn't have age-specific features or separate apps for different ages.	Coverstar uses AI Computer Vision and Natural Language Moderation as the first line of defense. This advanced technology scans for inappropriate content in real time, helping to filter harmful language or behaviour	Unclear	Unclear		States it's COPPA compliant
Entertainment	Entertainment	**DeviantART**	DeviantArt is a social media platform for artists and art enthusiasts to share and view artwork, photography, and other creative works. Users can browse art, chat with other users, follow artists and join groups. DeviantART is available on all major app stores as mobile apps and on web browser.		Unknown, popular in entertainment category website ranks	Unknown	Los Angeles, United States	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Endless conhtet available from homepages/feed (requires selection)	Yes - Users can follow, like and share content.	Yes	Nil	Multiple	View only	Replika is a 24/7 AI chatbot which users can interact with via phone, text,	DeviantART has been known to host content that contain harmful and illegal themes such as. CSAM and pro terror content.			Yes	Unknown	Yes - separate terms of use and community guidelines. Community guidelines are clear and easy to understand however lack specificity for expected conduct on app and consequences if not met.	Permitted	No - users can reset algorithm by selecting topics of interest and selecting a 'show less like this' button.	Yes	Users must submit government-issued ID to change birthdate to 18+ Mature content is restricted to verified adult accounts.		Unknown	Unknown - It is unclear whether there is moderation beyond community reporting for CSEA. Policy states that DeviantART will report to NCMEC.	Unknown		Users must submit government-issued ID to change birthdate to 18+ Mature content is restricted to verified adult accounts.
Entertainment	Entertainment	**Discord**	Discord is advertised a community communication platform where users can text message, voice call, and video call. Users can interact with their chosen contacts and join topic-based servers and various channels (similar to a group chat) within a server. Discord is available as an app on major app stores and as an app or browser site on desktop.		Unknown (popular in app charts)	Average MAU 13-17yrs 222,188; Average MAU 13-15 yrs 98,508 (BOSE Transparency report, p34) 3 in 10 (27%) children aged 13 to 15 surveyed had used Discord (eSafety Research, 2024).	California, US	Yes	Yes	Limited	Yes	Yes, some protections in place	Not built in - users can integrate apps such as Snap Camera to apply appearance filters during calls.	No	Reactions/likes, replies, Friends, Join channels,	No	Negligible	Multiple	No	Servers' are a key part of the service. Servers contain channels and can host anywhere from a few to hundreds of thousands of users. Servers are generally small and invitation only, whereas larger public servers may be subject to Discord approval/oversight.	CNN report about grooming instances https://edition.cnn.com/2023/03/27/tech/discord-teens/index.html	23 January 2022 and 6 December 2024 346 complaints to eSafety from children aged 9-15	Yes, report by policy areas / harm type, login required.	Comprehensive, 15% of staff work on safety in some capacity.	Overarching guidelines are brief but individual standards are linked to a more detailed policy with common examples, easy to understand for young audiences, user must search or click through several steps to find the guideline.	Permitted, in age-restricted spaces	N/A	Yes	• Neutral age gate at sign-up (self-declared DOB) (2024) • Manual reviews following reports of under-13 users (2024) facial age estimation and government ID scanning for age verification, primarily in response to the UK Online Safety Act (July 2025) Verification Triggers Users are prompted to verify when accessing sensitive content, changing filter settings, or entering age-restricted channels. (July 2025) Privacy Measures Discord and its partner k-ID do not store personal documents or video selfies permanently (July 2025)	Yes, channels can be age-restricted so that users must indicate they are 18+ to enter however the onus is on users/community moderators to disclose. Default safety messages when teens receive messages from a new contact, and default sensitive content filter for teens...	Hashing-matching, PhotoDNA, Signal sharing via Project Lantern	Yes	Oct 2023 BOSE TR Discord do not use any tools to detect known CSEA videos on their services. They also do not have measures to detect livestreamed CSEA. Professional safety staff are not automatically notified when a volunteer moderator identifies CSEA/CSAM.	•Discord Rolled out a "teen-appropriate experience by default", using k-ID for privacy-forward age verification and content filtering 21 July 2025	• Neutral age gate at sign-up (self-declared DOB) (2024) • Manual reviews following reports of under-13 users (2024) facial age estimation and government ID scanning for age verification, primarily in response to the UK Online Safety Act (July 2025) Verification Triggers Users are prompted to verify when accessing sensitive content, changing filter settings, or entering age-restricted channels. (July 2025) Privacy Measures Discord and its partner k-ID do not store personal documents or video selfies permanently (July 2025)
Professional Network	Business and Productivity	**eHarmony**	eHarmony is a free dating website and app that uses an 80-question quiz to match users with potential dates based on your compatibility. Each person users match with is given a compatibility score. The website has dedicated sites for major Australian cities and the app allows users to limit their matches based on your location. Users can also choose to connect with people who share similar characteristics to them. eHarmony is available as a web browser or on all major app store as a mobile app.		Unclear - 30% of Australians who use dating apps have used eHarmony	N/A	Los Angeles, United States	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes, for premium users	N/A - min age 18	No	No	Yes	Yes	Unclear, untested	Some	No				Yes, directly on a users profile page or from within your communication (text or video chat).	Appropriate (trust and safety team)	Yes - clear, easy to navigate and understand.	Prohibited	No	Yes		No	Unknown	Yes, all photos that are uploaded are reviewed before they appear on the site. Unkear as to whether it is human review or AI.	Unknown		No formal age assurance tools reported

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Communication	Social	**Locanto**	Locanto is a classifieds app, where users can buy, sell and connect with people in their local area. Users can message buyers and save listings onto their profile. This is available on a web browser and on all major app stores as a mobile app.	s 47C	Unknown, in top 100 popular website ranks for Australia		Unknown	Yes															No robust age verification (e.g., ID or biometric checks) is enforced.							No robust age verification (e.g., ID or biometric checks) is enforced.
Communication	Social	**Mastadon**	Open source/decentralised networking																				No centralized age assurance; some admins propose third-party verification.							No centralized age assurance; some admins propose third-party verification.
Communication	Social	**MeetMe?**	MeetMe is a location based social app that allows users to connect with new people nearby and with similar interests. MeetMe's main features include text based conversations, live video chat and the ability to scan for people in the area using an interacting map (similar to Snap Maps). MeetMe is available on all major app stores as mobile apps.		Unknown		Pennsylvania, US	Yes															Face scan required for account verification. DOB entry at sign-up; underage users are blocked. Additional restrictions for minors (e.g., limited content access).							Face scan required for account verification. DOB entry at sign-up; underage users are blocked. Additional restrictions for minors (e.g., limited content access).
Photo & Video	Entertainment	**MeetUp**	Meetup is a social media platform for hosting and organising in-persona and virtual activities, gatherings and events for people who have similar interests. On MeetUp users can host and browse events, join groups and speak in group forums, private message with other attendees and use an interactive map to explore a city. MeetUp is available on web browser and on all major app stores as a mobile app.		Unknown		New York, US	Yes															No formal age assurance tools reported							No formal age assurance tools reported
Communication	Social	**Messenger (Facebook)**	Messenger is marketed as a communication app linked to Facebook. Users exchange text messages, voice notes, multimedia (images, video), gifs, stickers, etc. and can voice and video chat. It is available available on major app stores for smartphones, tablets, and on desktop computers.		16-17M (unknown unit)		Meta is incorporated in Delaware	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes - some protections	Yes	N/A	Views, Likes/Reactions	N/A	Multiple	Multiple	No	Edit can be enabled. Users must first create a Facebook account to have access to Messenger, however they can later deactivate their Facebook and use Messenger app.	**Article by the Independent about increase in online grooming crimes on Meta owned platforms:** https://www.independent.co.uk/tech/nspcc-ofcom-child-government-messenger-b2633933.html		Between 23 Jan 2022 – 6 December 2024, 9 valid complaints referenced Facebook Messenger.	Yes - login required; user reports by policy area	Comprehensive	Detailed, easy to understand, user needs to search for guidelines	Prohibited	N/A	Yes	AI-based age detection and manual moderation for suspected underage users Teen Accounts (13–17) now include parental supervision tools, messaging restrictions, and content filters	Yes, see Messenger Kids	PhotoDNA, PDQ, other proprietary matching technologies	Partial	Partial		AI-based age detection and manual moderation for suspected underage users Teen Accounts (13–17) now include parental supervision tools, messaging restrictions, and content filters
Communication	Communication	**Messenger Kids**	Messenger for Kids is marketed as a child-safe communication app. Child users must be linked to an adult parent account for supervision. Users can communicate with users approved by the parent account. Communication is through text messages, video calls, voice calls, images, GIFS, etc. It is officially available on major app stores for smartphones and tablets only.		Unknown (popular in charts)		Meta is incorporated in Delaware	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes - strong protections	Yes	N/A	Views, Likes/Reactions	N/A	Negligible	Minimal	No	Messenger app has several restrictions compared to the regular Messenger app. It does not require a Facebook account for the child, it does not embed the AI chatbot or in-app purchases/advertisements.	Australian parents have shared stories about their children being contacted by strangers through Messenger Kids.		Yes	Comprehensive	Detailed, easy to understand, accessibility not tested	Prohibited	N/A	Unlicear	Requires parental authentication via Facebook Parents control contacts, monitor chat history, and manage sleep mode. No ads, no in-app purchases, and no Facebook account required	Yes	Unclear	Unclear, assume same as Messenger	Unknown		Requires parental authentication via Facebook Parents control contacts, monitor chat history, and manage sleep mode. No ads, no in-app purchases, and no Facebook account required
Communication	Social	**Meta AI**	Meta AI is advertised as an AI personal assistant that 'understands you'. Users can get personalised answers to queries, use voice or text prompts, edit images, and access a community-based 'Discover feed'. The app can connect to associated smart-glasses. It is available on App and Google stores.		Unknown	Unknown	Meta is incorporated in Delaware	Yes	Yes	Yes	No*	No	Partial	Yes	Untested	Likes, Comments Shares Remix	Yes	Untested	Some	Untested	Meta AI links with other Meta platforms, like Instagram, so while it may not have a feature directly, it can facilitate use of features in other apps.			Yes, but untested	Comprehensive, in line with other Meta services	Adequate Community Rules are presented in simple language with plain language explanations. Understandable by young users.	Prohibited	No	Yes	Uses AI-powered age inference across Facebook, Instagram, and Messenger Detects behavioral patterns to identify misrepresented ages. Suspected underage users are automatically moved to Teen Accounts with stricter controls	Unclear, limited public information available	Assumed to be the same as other Meta services.	Assumed to be the same as other Meta services.	Assumed to be the same as other Meta services.		Uses AI-powered age inference across Facebook, Instagram, and Messenger Detects behavioral patterns to identify misrepresented ages. Suspected underage users are automatically moved to Teen Accounts with stricter controls
Social	News	**Meta Horizon World**	Meta Horizon Worlds is an online virtual reality game with an integrated game creation system developed and published by Meta Platforms. Horizon Worlds is a social experience where users can hang out and talk with others, explore, attend concerts and events, and, play games in virtual spaces that can feel like they are walking around as a 3D cartoon. This can be accessed through a Meta account (or streamlined through Instagram or Facebook). Users can choose to have a public or private account, with teen accounts defaulted to private. Horizon Worlds works on Oculus Rift S, Meta Quest 2, Meta Quest Pro and Meta Quest 3 headsets.		Unknown	Unknown	California, US	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Partial	Yes	No	N/A	Yes, - friends/followers	No	Unclear, untested	Multiple	No				Yes - shortcut available to report other users. Hovering over a person's name plate will give you the option to block, mute and report. The last few minutes of most recent audio during interactions will be recorded incase reports need to be made; Link in notes for further information.	Comprehensive Establish trust and safety teams within the organisation	Adequate Community Rules are presented in simple language with plain language explanations. Understandable by young users.	Prohibited	N/A	Yes	Parental supervision tools for both age groups. Content ratings restrict access to mature worlds/events. Private profiles and active status controls by default	Yes - 18+, teens and 13 year old accounts. Also has parental account management and supervision tools, worlds that have different age ratings, automated filtering of adult themes.	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown		Parental supervision tools for both age groups. Content ratings restrict access to mature worlds/events. Private profiles and active status controls by default
N/A	Social	MeWe																															No automated age checks; relies on user honesty and moderation.
Social	Lifestyle	**Minecraft**	Minecraft is a virtual building game that allows players to interact in the metaverse, where they build with a variety of blocks in a 3D environment to create their own world. It is an open world or sandbox game. Users can interact with other players in the Minecraft world and use online chat. Various editions exist (Java, Bedrock). Microsoft is owned by Minecraft. It is available as an app on major app stores for smart phones, a desktop app and on web browser.		N/A			Yes	No, however there is a sandbox game environment	Yes	No	No	No	Yes, some protections in place when using a child account	No	No*	Friends, Joining servers	No	Multiple	Multiple	No	Open-ended game where there are no natural stopping points and users can create/play indefinitely.	**Lawsuit regarding Minecraft addictive nature:** https://www.torhoermaria w.com/video-game-addiction-lawsuit/minecraft-addiction-lawsuit/		Yes,users without an account or not logged in can report via a webform also.	Yes	Yes, Minecraft has its own value statement but refers readers to the Xbox Community Standard. These standards are comprehensive in some areas (e.g. hate and harassment) while others are lacking (e.g. 'keep it legal').	No specific policy, however appears to be prohibited.	N/A	Unclear	Parental controls via Microsoft Family settings Multiplayer disabled by default for child accounts. Parental consent required for online play and Realms access.	No (only via parental controls)	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown		Parental controls via Microsoft Family settings Multiplayer disabled by default for child accounts. Parental consent required for online play and Realms access.
Social	Social	**Nintendo Switch 2**	Nintendo switch 2 has an online feature available for people who login with a Nintendo account called GameChat. Users can play games, add friends, share screen and converse through the consoles in-built features and microphone.		Unknown	Unknown	Kyoto, Japan	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes - follower count	No	No	Some	No				Users can report directly in-chats.	Appropriate (trust and safety team - Director of User Trust and Safety America is a member of FOSI board	Terms of use incorporates a short acceptible use of services. Easy to understand language however has not been adapted for younger audience nor detailed.	Prohibited	N/A	Yes	Parental controls app allows restrictions on chat, purchases, and screen time GameChat feature includes voice/video chat and screen sharing, with parental approval required.	Yes	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown		Parental controls app allows restrictions on chat, purchases, and screen time GameChat feature includes voice/video chat and screen sharing, with parental approval required.
Social	Social	**Nvidia Omniverse**	NVIDIA Omniverse is a platform for building 3D applications and services using OpenUSD and NVIDIA RTX technologies. It's used to create and operate metaverse applications, including digital twin simulations of industrial processes.				California, US	Yes															New Policy Users must be 18+ to change graphics settings in the Nvidia app in compliance with the UK Online Safety Act.						New Policy Users must be 18+ to change graphics settings in the Nvidia app in compliance with the UK Online Safety Act.
Community	Social	**OkCupid**	OkCupid is a dating service available via web browser and on all major app stores as app. Users can specify biographic details about their appearance and preferences in their profile, including a range of gender and sexual identities. As well as adding pictures, the sign-up process also features an extensive questionnaire. This is used to measure compatibility with other users and expressed as a percentage score. OkCupid s Discover mode presents profiles for review—if two users like each other s profile, users can private message eachother. OkCupid also incorporates live streaming functionality. This feature allows interaction with users on other platforms such as MeetMe, Skout, Plenty of Fish and Zoosk.		Unknown	N/A	California, US	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	N/A - min age 18	No	No	Yes- likes	Yes	Unclear, untested	Some	No				Yes, - avenues for in and out of app reporting options.	Appropriate (trust and safety team)	Yes, clear to understand and easy to navigate, seperate arms of use and community guidelines, separate.	Prohibited	Somewhat	Yes	Face photo scan to estimate age If flagged as underage, users must submit ID for manual review. Data stored securely; age scores retained for 1 year.	No	Unknown	Unknown			Face photo scan to estimate age If flagged as underage, users must submit ID for manual review. Data stored securely; age scores retained for 1 year.
AI Companion/Chatbot	Health and fitness	**OmeTV**	OmeTV is a random video chat platform where users are matched with strangers worldwide for live video conversations. Available as an app on major app stores for smart phones, a desktop app and on web browser.		Unknown (popular in app charts)		Corroios, Portugal	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	N/A - min age 18	No	No	Reactions, Likes	No	Ephemeral nature	Minimal	No	Users declare they are 18 + at signup. The app advertises itself as an Omegle alternative.	A man in Indianapolis was sentenced for 15 years for owning two phones with nearly 2000 files of children being sexually abused. Amongst those files, authorities found recorded chats talking to girls 8-10 years of age who partially disrobe.		Yes, user must be logged in and report by harm type	Unknown	Inadequate, simple guidelines that cover prohibition of nudity and offensive behaviour but do not address THSC or other harmful content. The rules are easy to access within the app.	Prohibited	N/A	Yes	No robust age checks; users self-declare age by clicking a bo	N/A - min age 18	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown		No robust age checks; users self-declare age by clicking a bo
AI Companion/Chatbot	Entertainment	**Pinterest**	Pinterest is a social media app that is used for bookmarking and organising multimedia (images, videos, links) onto virtual boards. Individuals can follow other users, communicate via private messaging, like and comment on content and share their own content to a private or public audience. Available as an app on major app stores for smart phones and as an app or browser site on desktop.		5M (max)		San Francisco, California	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes, only with mutual followers	Endless scrolling feed	Likes, Saves, views, Followers	Yes	Negligible	Some	View only	Comments are turned off for u18's pins, u16 user profiles (boards) are automatically private.	A paedophile used Pinterest to access images of young boys.		Yes, user reports by harm/policy type	Appropriate (trust and safety team)	Detailed and easy to understand, does not include contextual examples, however they are not easy to find in the app	Prohibited if sexually explicit	Partial, users can turn off ads and other recommendations based on personalisation	Yes	Users flagged as under 18 must verify via government ID + selfie or selfie only [1]. Verification is handled by a third-party partner; Pinterest does not store ID documents. Teen accounts have restricted features unless verified.	Yes, default settings are stricter for u16s and u18s	Unnamed internal tools, PhotoDNA, CSAI Match, Hash matching with global databases	Partial	Unknown		Users flagged as under 18 must verify via government ID + selfie or selfie only [1]. Verification is handled by a third-party partner; Pinterest does not store ID documents. Teen accounts have restricted features unless verified.
Dating	Social	**Plenty of Fish**	Plenty of Fish is a dating platform available in web browsers and as an app on all major app stores. Setting up a profile involves providing biographic details about preferences and appearance. There is also the option to add pictures. The search functionality within the app allows users to filter other users based on their profile attributes, such as age, height, education or the length of their longest relationship. Another way to find users is a match function which presents profiles for review – if two users like each other s profile it is a match . Plenty of Fish is free to join but additional features are available via subscription or by purchasing tokens. These features include viewing extended profiles, searching by usernames and priority ranking in search results. Plenty of Fish also incorporates live video-streaming functionality. This feature allows interaction with users on other platforms such as MeetMe, Skout, OkCupid and Zoosk.		Unknown (popular in charts)	N/A	Vancouver, Canada	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	N/A - min age 18	No	No	Yes - likes	Yes	Minimal	Some	No				Yes	Appropriate (trust and safety team)	Yes - separate terms of use and community guidelines - clear and easy to understand.	Prohibited	Somewhat	Yes	Offers selfie verification to confirm profile authenticity Does not verify age or identity unless flagged. Verified users receive a badge; verification uses facial geometry matching.	No	Unspecified automated decision-making	Unknown	Unknown		Offers selfie verification to confirm profile authenticity Does not verify age or identity unless flagged. Verified users receive a badge; verification uses facial geometry matching.
Dating	Dating	**Quora**	Quora is a social question-and-answer website where users can collaborate by editing questions and commenting on answers. Available on all major app stores as a mobile app and as a desktop browser.		10M (ums)	Unknown	California, US	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Endless scrolling feed	Comment ranking, likes, reshare, contacts/friends	Yes	Nil	Multiple	Endless scrolling feed				Yes -in-product reporting tools. Option to provide a text description.	Some trust and safety staff available, based on desktop research. Quora also indicate they use automatic content moderation tools.	Horm policy encapsulates lat	Permitted	No	Yes		Yes - Adult content (any writing, imagery or video that is pornographic, depicts sexual, or is otherwise overtly sexual is allowed when spaces are tagged as "adult". This is only accessible to users 18+ and signed into an account.	Yes, unspecified AI technology moderation measures.	Unknown	Unknown		
Dating	Dating	**Red Hot Pie**	Red Hot Pie is marketed as a casual dating site/ hookup app. Main features include live video webcam chat, private messaging, group conversations and event invite hosting. Users on Red Hot Pie can validate other members in addition to Red Hot Pie validating profiles. Red Hot Pie is available on Apple App store but does not meet Google play requirements due promotion of innappropriate content. Android users access through an APK app.		20,000 active users/site visits per day globally, but likely mostly Australian	Unknown	Perth, Australia	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A - min age 18	No	High volume of content available from homepage/feed (requires selection)	Yes - connections, likes, follower count, profile views	Yes	Minimal	Multiple	Some viewable content		In 2016, the Federal Court ordered Jetplace Pty Ltd (former company name of Digital Quarter, the owner of RHP) to disclose to its users that it created and operated over a thousand fake profiles on RHP. Maxwell James McGuire and Mark Semaan were directors of Jetplace and were aware this was occurring. RHP suggested that 1171 profiles were created over a four-year period for the User Security Suite and only "a small number" of those profiles were active at any given time.			Reporting available in chat. Digital Quarter encourages users to go to authorities about identity theft and revenge content.	Unclear, however some moderation beyond community moderation does take place.	Yes- separate terms of use, content guidelines and community guidelines. Easy to understand, no specific illustrative examples.	Permitted - images depicting nudity and sexual activity are permitted in a restricted image gallery, accessible to upgraded members or those invited in private galleries.	No	Yes	Users must confirm they are over 18 during sign-up. No formal age verification system (e.g., ID or biometric checks) is currently in place1.	No	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown		Users must confirm they are over 18 during sign-up. No formal age verification system (e.g., ID or biometric checks) is currently in place1.
Connection	Dating	**Reddit**	Reddit is advertised as a community interest-based forum. Users can join, participate in, and browse interest-based communities ('subreddits) by posting text/image/links/video content, commenting on posts, and 'voting' on posts and comments. Users can also direct message (text/image) others. Reddit is available as an app on major app stores for smartphones, and via webrowsers.		27M+ (monthly unique visitors)	8% of children aged 13 to 15 surveyed had used Reddit (8%) (eSafety Research, 2024).	California, US	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Endless content available from homepage/feed (requires selection)	Subscribe (subreddit), Follow, Upvote/Downvote, Awards, Share,	Yes	Minimal	Multiple	View only	Some subreddits are membership-only, however most are public.			Yes, login required	Moderate, large amount of moderation is allocated to volunteer community moderators	Less detailed than other platforms - easy to access through 2-3 clicks.	Permitted, with labelling	Yes	Yes	• No DOB collected at sign-up (2024) • Reliance on self-attestation for mature content access (2024) • No proactive age inference or verification tools (2024) Reddit now requires mandatory age verification for UK users via government ID or selfie through Persona (2025) Persona stores data for a maximum of 7 days; Reddit retains only verification status and birthdate. (2025) Persona – Age Estimation (Facial Age), Age Verification (ID)	Limited. User's must be logged in and report their age as 18+ to see sensitive/NSFW content.	PhotoDNA , Youtube's CSAI Match technology	Yes	Unknown		• No DOB collected at sign-up (2024) • Reliance on self-attestation for mature content access (2024) • No proactive age inference or verification tools (2024) Reddit now requires mandatory age verification for UK users via government ID or selfie through Persona (2025) Persona stores data for a maximum of 7 days; Reddit retains only verification status and birthdate. (2025) Persona – Age Estimation (Facial Age), Age Verification (ID)
Dating	Dating	**Replika**	Replika is an artificial intelligence (AI) chatbot that lets users design a digital character by choosing features such as skin tone, clothes, hobbies and personality traits and then interact with it via text, voice messages and calls. It was originally designed as a way to reconnect with a loved one who had passed away, hence its name. Each chatbot is unique and evolves according to how you communicate with it, but it is also based on a GTP-3 language model that learns through all the prompts that other people write to their Replika chatbots. Replika can be accessed through mobile apps, and through Oculus Virtual Reality headsets.		Unknown	Unknown	San Francisco, California	Yes	No	No	No	No	N/A - min age 18	No	High volume of content available from homepage/feed (requires selection)	Yes	No	Minimal	Multiple	No	Users are unable to delete their message history without deleting their entire account completely.			Yes	Unknown	Limited Community guidelines are vague and do not provide examples.	Unclear - users have the ability to send/ upload photos to their AI companion chats.	N/A	Yes	Italy's DPA banned Replika for failing to implement effective age checks. Users can bypass age gates by entering false data. No biometric or document-based verification; only name, email, and gender are collected.	No	Unknown	No	Unknown		Italy's DPA banned Replika for failing to implement effective age checks [3]. Users can bypass age gates by entering false data. No biometric or document-based verification; only name, email, and gender are collected.

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TanTan	TanTan is a location-based social media app designed as a dating service for Asian singles. Users can 'like' another user by swiping right or 'pass' by swiping left on their photo. If users 'like' each other, they become a match and are able to access the message function. Users can use instant messaging, photo and video sharing, 'flash chat' mode (a feature where uses can chat with a blurred profile picture encouraging conversation based on interests before seeing the full profile). TanTan is available as a mobile app on all major app stores.				Beijing, China	Yes																							No robust age verification like ID or biometric checks is publicly documented.						No robust age verification like ID or biometric checks is publicly documented.
Teamspeak	TeamSpeak is a VoIP application for audiocommunication between users on a chat channel used for online gaming. Available as a web browser app.		Unknown	Unknown	California, US	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes - Eligibility is the age to consent under national law (e.g., AU and EU 16, US 13), or that parents provide consent for U16s.	No	No	Reactions/likes, replies, Friends/ contacts Join channels,	No	Negligible	Some	No	Paid App			Yes - To make a complaint about a user's behavior in a TeamSpeak 3 server, users can use the built-in reporting feature, which allows them to submit a complaint against a specific user, and the server owner can then take appropriate action. Unclear on internal processes to deal with reports.	Unknown	Limited	More research needed	N/A	Yes	No formal age assurance system.	No	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown		No formal age assurance system.
Tech Support Guy	Tech support forum offering free technical supports for all experience levels.		Unknown	Unknown	Toronto, Canada	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Untested	No	High volume of content available from homepage/feed (requires selection)	Yes - likes, comments, reaction score, points	No	No	Minimal	View only				Unknown	Unclear, moderators are volunteers as stated in terms of use.	Terms of use encapsulates community guidelines. Easy to understand and navigate to. Link is at the bottom of web browser.	Prohibited	N/A	N/A - no push notifications	No age verification or assurance system.	No	Unknown	Platform uses volunteer moderators.	Unknown		No age verification or assurance system.
Telegram	Telegram is an instant messaging / communication app. Users can add friends, family and other users as contact to communicate via text, voice and video calls. Users can also participate in group chats or follow channels. Telegram is available as an app on major app stores and via a desktop app or browser.		Unknown (popular in charts)		Tortola, British Virgin Islands	Yes	No	Yes	Limited	Yes	Yes		No	reactions/likes,	N/A	Multiple	Multiple	No	EZEE.		**SPLC report on extremist content on Telegram:** https://www.splcenter.org/resources/hate-watch/telegrams-toxic-recommendations-perpetuate-extremism/		Yes, however reporting feature was introduced in mid-late 2024 and may not be mature. Reports are by harm type and require login.	Limited	Minimal. The Community Rules are very brief and do not provide nuance or guidance on their application and enforcement.	More research needed	N/A	Yes	Self-declared age during account setup. Optional verification via Government-issued ID Credit card SMS confirmation Telegram has introduced bots in some regions to verify age where legally required 3	No, minimum age for use is 16 (or 18 in the EU)	Hash-matching with global databases	Partial	Unknown		Self-declared age during account setup. Optional verification via Government-issued ID Credit card SMS confirmation Telegram has introduced bots in some regions to verify age where legally required 3
ten ten	Ten Ten is a social media service that turns your phone into a walkie-talkie. Users add friends by sending them a unique pin code and, once they have accepted the friend request, users can communicate via live audio messages by holding down a button. Like a walkie talkie, Ten Ten does not allow simultaneous two-way communication. When users connect with someone on Ten Ten, they do not have to answer the call, as live audio is immediately received even if their phone is locked. However, it is possible to mute people for set periods of time, block them or remove them as friends. Ten Ten is a company based in France. Ten ten is available as a mobile app on all major app stores.		Unknown (popular in charts)		Paris, France	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes		No	contacts/friends, n	No	Ephemeral nature	Multiple	No				In app reporting mechanism for users to report concerns, flag innappropriate content and provide feedback.	eration teams specialise in cr	Limited	Yes - separate terms of use and community guidelines. Community guidelines are clear and easy to understand however lack specifics for expected conduct on app.	Unclear	N/A	Yes	No robust age assurance; relies on user behavior and app store parental controls	No	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown		No robust age assurance; relies on user behavior and app store parental controls
Threads	Linked to Instagram, Threads is marketed as a public conversation platform that is part of the federated universe (Rediverse). Users can post short text, image, or video and engage in public conversations. Threads is available on major app stores for smartphones and via webbrowsers. Threads uses the ActivityPub protocol.		1.4M (downloads)	Unknown	Meta is incorporated in Delaware	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	N/A	-	Endless scrolling feed	Likes, Quotes, Replies, Reposts	Yes	Minimal	Multiple	View only	No DM function yet. Community Guidelines are the same as Instagram.			Yes - login required; user reports by policy area	Comprehensive	Detailed, easy to understand, user needs to search for guidelines	Prohibited	No	Yes	Meta uses AI-based facial age estimation, ID upload, and social signals (e.g., birthday on Facebook) to verify age. Users under 16 (or 18 in some regions) are defaulted into private accounts	Unclear	C2PA standard,	Unclear	Unknown		Meta uses AI-based facial age estimation, ID upload, and social signals (e.g., birthday on Facebook) to verify age. Users under 16 (or 18 in some regions) are defaulted into private accounts
Threema	Threema is a paid app that is designed for secure, encrypted communication that allows users to share any type of file, make group chats, take voice and video calls and share location. Users are given a randomly generated Threema ID and cannot be identified by their names or phone number. Available as a mobile app on major app stores and as a desktop app.		Unknown		Schwyz, Switzerland	No	Partial	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Likes/reactions, Replies, Friends/contacts,	No	Negligible	Multiple	No	Threema states that it is safe for use by any age. It is a highly privacy focussed service.			No		No	Unclear	N/A	Yes	No age verification. Threema does not require phone numbers or email addresses, making age assurance difficult.	No	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown		No age verification. Threema does not require phone numbers or email addresses, making age assurance difficult.
TikTok	TikTok is marketed as a social platform where users share short-form videos. Users can publicly or privately share short-form videos edited with an array of in-app editing features, leave comments, likes, and send direct messages. Users's can also livestream. TikTok is available as an app on smartphones, tablets, and via web browsers.		9M+ (mau)	Average MAU 13-17yrs: **522,863**; Average MAU 13-15 yrs: **199,710** (BOSE Transparency Report 2025, p34) Almost 2 in 3 surveyed children aged 13 to 15 had used TikTok (62%) (eSafety Research, 2024)	Cayman Islands	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Endless swiping vertical video feed	Likes, Comments, Duets, Stitches, followers, views, repost/share	Yes	Multiple	Multiple	View only	Users can browse TikTok without an account, however they cannot comment and interact without signing up/in.	**CCDH report on TikTok promoting dangerous and potentially illegal steroid like drugs to teens:** https://counterhate.com/research/tiktoks-toxic-trade/	23 january 2022 and 6 December 2024 TikTok recorded the highest volume of complaints for 0-15yr, with 2,071 complaints, representing 86.5% of all TikTok-related complaints during this period.	Yes - user reports by policy area	Comprehensive	Detailed, easy to understand, relatively easy to for a user to find (2-3 clicks)	Prohibited	Not in Australia	Yes	• Neutral age gate • Proactive language analysis • AI profiling/inference models (facial, voice, text, language) • Human moderation "age tagging" • Yoti facial age estimation (appeals) • Jumio ID Check (appeals) • Credit card authorisation (appeals) • Restrictions on changing age • Cross-account assurance across linked apps TikTok has enhanced backend detection tools, added teen-specific privacy controls, and is rolling out a maturity rating system (2025) Messaging and content visibility are increasingly limited for users under 16. (2025)	Yes, default settings and content restrictions for u16 u18	PhotoDNA, Internal TikTok machine learning model, Hash-matching with global databases, Google Content Safety API, Audio and NLP model, Internal computer vision model, C2PA standard.	Yes	Yes		• Neutral age gate • Proactive language analysis • AI profiling/inference models (facial, voice, text, language) • Human moderation "age tagging" • Yoti facial age estimation (appeals) • Jumio ID Check (appeals) • Credit card authorisation (appeals) • Restrictions on changing age • Cross-account assurance across linked apps TikTok has enhanced backend detection tools, added teen-specific privacy controls, and is rolling out a maturity rating system (2025) Messaging and content visibility are increasingly limited for users under 16. (2025)
~~TikTok Notes~~	~~TikTok Notes is advertised as a social image sharing app. Users can sign up independently or linked to a user's TikTok account. Users can share public or private image posts and interact with posts through comments and likes. TikTok Notes is available on major app stores for smartphones.~~		~~Unknown~~		~~Cayman Islands~~	~~Yes~~	~~Yes~~	~~Yes~~	~~Yes~~	~~No~~	~~No~~	~~Unknown~~	~~-~~	~~Endless scrolling feed~~	~~Likes, Followers, Views, Comments, shares~~	~~Yes~~	~~Multiple~~	~~Multiple~~	~~No~~	~~**TikTok Note accounts can be linked to a TikTok account or can be accessed via the app without a login.**~~ ~~**TikTok login, Support and H- tips Notes app is a single page on TikTok, no desktop research is limited.**~~			~~**Yes, limited testing conducted**~~	~~Comprehensive~~	~~**Detailed, easy to understand, relatively easy to for a user to find (2-3 clicks)**~~	~~Prohibited~~	~~Not in Australia~~	~~Yes~~		~~**Assumed to be the same as TikTok**~~	~~Unknown~~	~~Unknown~~	~~Unknown~~	~~Unknown~~		
Tinder	Tinder is a location-based social media app designed as a dating service. Users can 'like' another user by swiping right or 'pass' by swiping left on their photo. If users 'like' each other, they become a match and are able to access the message function. Tinder can be connected to Facebook account or with a personal phone number. Tinder is available as a mobile app on all major app stores.		Unknown - 60% of Australians who have used dating apps, 64% have used Tinder.	N/A	Texas, United States	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	N/A - min age 18	No	No	Yes - likes, superlikes	Yes	Minimal	Multiple	No				Yes - avenues for in app and out of app reporting.	Appropriate (trust and safety team)		Prohibited	Somewhat	Yes	Mandatory ID verification in some regions. Optional video selfie + ID for full verification. Facial recognition to match ID and selfie. Badges indicate level of verification (photo, ID, or both)	No	Garbo, Noonlight, ID verification, BrightCheck	PhotoDNA	PhotoDNA		Mandatory ID verification in some regions. Optional video selfie + ID for full verification. Facial recognition to match ID and selfie. Badges indicate level of verification (photo, ID, or both)
Tumblr	Tumblr is a social media, microblogging site. Users can publish multimedia content and customise their own pages. Users can comment on other users' content, private message and follow other blogs. Available as an app on major app stores for smart phones, a desktop app and on web browser.		Unknown		California, US	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Endless scrolling feed	Tags, Follow, Note/comment, Reblog, Like	Yes	Minimal	Some	View only				User must be signed in ro report directly from content; logged out users can report via forms however these are not intuitively located; reports are in three categories 'adult content, spam, something else'; user must click through an elipsis button to find the reporting option; all reports are apparently human-reviewed.	Unknown	Yes, however it is bordering inadequate, lacking detail.	Permitted, unless sexually explicit	No, however users can choose to view their feed in chronological order rather than recommended.	Yes	Requires full birthdate at sign-up. Under 18s cannot view explicit content. Under 16s in the EU are blocked entirely. Once entered, birthdate cannot be changed without support	Yes, under 18s cannot clik through content flagged as explicit, cannot see posts with content labels applied, cannot opt into seeing potentially mature content on iOS and some default privacy settings.	Unspecified machine-learning classifiers, CSAI Match (as at 2018), Hash-matching with global databases (as at 2018)	Partial	Unknown		Requires full birthdate at sign-up. Under 18s cannot view explicit content. Under 16s in the EU are blocked entirely. Once entered, birthdate cannot be changed without support
Twitch	Twitch is advertised as a livestreaming service. Users can stream content (e.g. gameplay) to viewers and subscribers, or view /subscribe to their favourite streamers. Users can interact via livestream chats, direct messages, and can gift awards streamers. Twitch is available as an app and via desktop browsers. Twitch is owned by Amazon.		Unknown (popular in charts)	Average MAU 13-17yrs: 24,446; Average MAU 13-15 yrs 12,707 (BOSE Transparency Report 2025, p34) 12% of children aged 13 to 15 surveyed had used Twitch (eSafety Research, 2024).	California, US	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes		Endless content available from homepage/feed (requires selection)	Viewers (live), Views, Followers/subscribers, Likes, polls, Livechat,	Partial	Multiple; Ephemeral nature	Some	View only		**Bloomberg report on CSEA on Twitch:** https://www.axios.com/2024/01/05/report-twitch-feature-record-and-share-child-abuse		Yes, can report without logging in, users report by policy/harm type	Comprehensive (dedicated teams and a Safety Advisory Council)	Community guidelines are adequate in their detail, they include practical examples and information about enforcement, they are easy to understand, and relatively easy to locate from the homepage.	Prohibited	No	Yes	• Text analysis to detect under-13 users • Audio analysis to detect young broadcasters • Behavioural analysis (internal) • Traffic indicators from referrer sites • Age change monitoring and possible ID checks Uses machine learning and a dedicated safety team to identify underage users and inappropriate behavior. (2025)	Yes, content labelled as having sexual themes, drugs/intoxication, and gambling are filtered out for users u18.	Signal sharing via Project Lantern, Crisp's proprietary opensource AI technology, Groomer detection tools (Automated heuristics to identify and report grooming), internal language analysis tools, Spirit AI, Stream scanner (AWS Rekognition), Age assessment tools.	Partial	Yes		• Text analysis to detect under-13 users • Audio analysis to detect young broadcasters • Behavioural analysis (internal) • Traffic indicators from referrer sites • Age change monitoring and possible ID checks Uses machine learning and a dedicated safety team to identify underage users and inappropriate behavior. (2025)
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Viber	Viber is a Japanese owned communication app that is protected by built in end-to-end encryption for calls, personal messaging and group conversations. Viber is available as desktop and mobile apps on all major app stores.		Unknown	Unknown	Cyprus	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Likes/reactions, Friends/contacts Comments	Partial	Minimal	Multiple	No	Viber has other apps part of the wider suite, such as (forthcoming) Viber Dating, Viber Pay, Viber Out.			Yes, report by policy type, it requires 2-3 clicks to access, similar other messenger app reporting pathways.	Unknown, likely significant given the safety pages on their website.	Yes, adequate with simple language and relatively detailed explanations.	Prohibited if sexually explicit	N/A	Yes	Age is collected during registration. No formal verification; relies on self-declaration	Partial - u16 users in Australia won't see age-restricted sticker packs or mature promotional content (eluding on the 'Explore' tab). There are additional protections for EU users under the GDPR.	Unspecified AI and machine learning tools, Unknown	Unknown	Unknown		Age is collected during registration. No formal verification; relies on self-declaration
VK	VK is a Russian social media platform, available in different languages but predominantly used by Russian speakers. VK users can message privately and publicly, and edit the messages after they are posted or sent. Users can join and create groups, access public pages, share events and multimedia, and play browser-based games. Available as an app on major app stores for smart phones and on web browser.		N/A	Unknown	Saint Petersburg, Moscow,	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	es, via Messenger ap	Yes	Unclear	Endless scrolling feed, Endless swiping vertical short-form video feed	Likes, comments, Shares, Friends, Followers	Yes	Minimal	Multiple	No	Communities on VK can set age restriction, e.g. 16+ or 18+.			Yes, however unlicear if user must be logged in. Accessing reporting takes 2-3 clicks and is broken down by harm type.	Unclear, however there does appear to be a content moderation approach in place.	Terms of service, however no separate community guidelines were identified other than brief 'platform rules' listed on certain 'Support' articles.	Unclear	No	Yes		There appears to be other limitations to viewing adult themed content however details of how this works are not available.	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown		
WeChat	WeChat is a Chinese social media service that is used worldwide. It is owned by tencent. It combines social media posting, online messaging, voice chat, video calling and payment services in a single platform. WeChat is available as an app on major app stores for smart phones, a desktop app and on web browser.		0.5M	Unknown	China	Yes	Yes	Yes	Limited	Yes	Yes	Partial	Endless scrolling feed	Like, Comment, Favourite, Wow (star)	Yes	Minimal	Multiple	View only	Popular among chinese users and diaspora.			Yes, user reports by policy type; sexual content does not appear to be a reporting category	Unknown	Yes	Prohibited	No, but users can choose not to access the Discover tab	Yes	Not explicitly stated, but parental controls are available.	No	Unspecified AI tools, hashing of images,	Unknown	Unknown		Not explicitly stated, but parental controls are available.
WhatsApp	WhatsApp is marketed as a communication platform. Users can exchange instant messages containing text and other multimedia (images, video, documents), location, GIFS, stickers, avatars, and make voice calls. Whatsapp is available on major app stores for smartphones and tablets and on desktop computers.		12-13M (mau)		Headquarters California, US Meta is incorporated in Delaware	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A	Views, Likes/Reactions,	N/A	Minimal	Multiple	No	There is not a traditional newsfeed, users can search for and join 'channels'	**Article by the Independent about increase in online grooming crimes on Meta owned platforms:** https://www.independent.co.uk/tech/report-whatsapp-child-government-messenger-b2639335.html	"WhatsApp was referenced in 34 valid complaints (0.5% of the overall total). The age group most impacted was 13-year-olds, accounting for 24% of these cases. The most prevalent harm type on WhatsApp was 'Nasty comments/serious name calling', predominantly involving children aged 12 and 13. Only two complaints alerts were sent to WhatsApp one concerning 'Defamation' and the other 'Threats of violence'."	Yes; login required due to nature of platform, user reports by policy area	Comprehensive	General, easy to understand, user needs to search for guidelines	Permitted in messaging, restricted in channels	N/A	Yes	Age is self-declared during account setup. No formal verification; relies on privacy settings and parental guidance	No	Unnamed internal tools for hash-matching known CSEA PhotoDNA, Google's Content Safety API, Unspecified internal classification model, Rule based function for suspicious link detection	Partial	Partial		Age is self-declared during account setup. No formal verification; relies on privacy settings and parental guidance
Whirlpool	Whirlpool is an independent Australian website that is primarily used for forum and community discussions about technology. Users can (private message other users who have a registered account and post public content online. Whirlpool can be accessed via online browser.		929K (registered users)		Australia	Yes																				Requires users to enter age but does not verify via legal documents.						Requires users to enter age but does not verify via legal documents.
Wife.app	Wife.app is an AI companion app that allows users to design an AI powered avataror speak to an existing AI character for online companionship. Wife.app allows users to access an online companion at any time through their devices. Wife.app is available on web browser.				Florida, US																									
Wink	Wink is a social media app that allows people to connect with strangers, to 'Find a new date, hookup or bff' (best friends forever). Users can swipe left or right when other users' profiles are displayed to indicate if they are interested in becoming 'Friends' with them or not. Users can video message, have private conversations, and share photos, videos and text-based comments. Available on all major app stores as mobile apps.		Unknown		California, US	Yes	Partial	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Unclear	Likes, comments, Matches,	N/A	Minimal	Multiple	No				Yes, in-app reporting by policy type.	Yes, likely appropriate. Lots of safety information on their website, the platform claims to hav "Technological scanning & real-life moderation".	Yes, high-level but easy to understand and direct.	Prohibited	N/A	Yes	Requires users to enter age but does not verify via legal documents.	Partial - under 18s are shown to other young users only	Unspecified technologies.	Unknown	Unknown		Requires users to enter age but does not verify via legal documents.

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Wizz	Wizz is a social media service targeted at teenagers and young adults. Wizz uses an external age-verification tool to estimate the age of users based off a selfie uploaded to match them with other people around the world of a similar age. Users can swipe through profiles to choose a user to connect with. Wizz is designed for private conversations and group chats. Available as an app on major app stores for smart phones, a desktop app and on web browser.		Unknown (popular in app charts)	Unknown	Paris, France	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Likes Matches	N/A	Minimal	Multiple	No	Users are grouped by age. Wizz browser website appeared to have some glitch and not load information pages when this research was being conducted.	**CSP:** https://cybertip.ca/en/online-harms/alerts/2024/wizz-app/		Yes, users without an account or not logged in can report via a webform also.	Unknown, but likely to have at least a few dedicated staff based on their website's safety information	Yes, adequate with easy-to-understand language and covers key harms that may affect minors. However, there is room for improvement.	Prohibited	N/A	Yes	Facial age estimation via Yoti during sign-up. Real-time selfie required. AI moderation and identity consistency checks	Yes, app is designed to group similar age users together	Yoti (age estimation), IWF services such as Keyword List, Language-based detection tools,	Unknown	Unknown		Facial age estimation via Yoti during sign-up. Real-time selfie required. AI moderation and identity consistency checks
Wordpress (?)	WordPress is a free, open-source content management system (CMS) that allows users to create, manage, and publish websites. It was originally developed as a blogging platform but can now be used to create many different types of websites. Users can integrate social media like features directly onto their		4.5M (until unknown)		California, US	Yes	Yes	Yes	Via Plugin	No	Separate plugin		Yes											Age assurance is implemented via plugins like Age Gate, WPForms, OptinMonster. Options include date-of-birth entry, yes/no confirmation, and cookie-based age gating						Age assurance is implemented via plugins like Age Gate, WPForms, OptinMonster. Options include date-of-birth entry, yes/no confirmation, and cookie-based age gating
X (formerly Twitter)	X (formerly Twitter) is advertised as a community discussion platform. Users can post and share text, image, and video content publicly or privately and engage in replies (i.e. discussion). Users can also connect via livestreaming, messaging and video calls. X is available on smartphones, tablets and web browsers.		6M+ (max)		California, US	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes - protections available	-	Endless scrolling feed	Likes, Comments, Posts/Tweets, Reposts/replies	Yes	Negligible	Multiple	Limited viewing on desktop	**CCDH article about their own, and other organisations and government agency concerns about harmful content on X:** https://counterhate.com/blog/impact-ccdh-exposed-toxic-twitter/ **2025 Research from Spain on the prevalence of NSSI on X** https://www.ojcmt.net/download/exploring-self-harm-on-twitter-x-content-moderation-and-its-psychological-effects-on-adolescents-15867.pdf		Yes, report by policy area, login required.	Moderate, large numbers of trust and safety staff were let go in 2023.	Detailed, easy to understand, allows more 'sensitive' content than comparable platforms, relatively easy for user to find (2-3 clicks)	Permitted with labelling, restricted viewing for u18s	Partial, can opt out of location-personalised 'trends'	Yes	Self-attested age, ID verification, account creation date, badge status. Email-based and network-based age estimation. Facial age estimation and government ID upload. Users under 18 are restricted from accessing sensitive media 6.	Yes, default settings and content restrictions for u18s	Hash-matching (PhotoDNA), Safer by Thorn, Internal tools including Profile Viewer2, Internal machine learning models and unnamed non-hash classifiers.	Partial	Partial		Self-attested age, ID verification, account creation date, badge status. Email-based and network-based age estimation. Facial age estimation and government ID upload. Users under 18 are restricted from accessing sensitive media 6.
YouTube	Youtube is advertised as a video sharing where users can create and upload content, and browse videos posted by other users. Users can upload short or long form videos, edit their own videos in the platform's Studio feature, subscribe to channels, comment on videos, and livestream. YouTube is available as an app on major app stores and via desktop browser. YouTube is owned by Google and has a child-friendly version - YouTube Kids. This is seperate to the parent-supervised accounts within YouTube for 13-16s.		20M+ (until unknown)	Average MAU 13-17yrs **643,670**; Average MAU 13-15 yrs **325,597** (BOSE Transparency. Most popular service accessed by u13s (BOSE transparency report Jan 2025, p11)	California, US	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	N/A	via YouTube Studio	Autoplayed content (for 18+, disabled for 13-17) + Endless content available from homepage/feed (requires selection)	Views, Likes/dislikes, Comments, Subscribers, Shares	Yes	Minimal	Multiple	View only	Notification reminders do not work on channels where the audience is set to 'made for kids'. No DMs, but can engage in live chat with other viewers on livestreams.	**CCDH report about YouTube's algorithm recommending eating disorder videos to young girls:** https://counterhate.com/research/youtube-anorexia-algorithm/ **Common Sense Media:** https://www.commonsensemedia.org/sites/default/files/research/report/2020_youngkidsyoutube-report_final-release_forweb_1.pdf **2020 Conference paper about innappropriate content recommended to children:** https://par.nsf.gov/servlets/purl/10212037	YouTube was referenced in 139 valid complaints (2% of the overall total). The age group most affected was 15-year olds (17% of these cases). The most prevalent harm type associated with YouTube was 'Offensive/upsetting pictures and/or videos', primarily affecting 15-year-olds. A total of 72 compliant alerts were sent to YouTube, 38 of which involved 'Offensive/upsetting pictures and/or videos'.	Yes, report by policy area, login required.	Comprehensive	Detailed, easy to understand, user must search or pass through several clicks to access (not prominent in the app)	Prohibited if sexually explicit	No, users must delete their watch history or individually indicate 'not interested' to alter the recommended videos	Yes	• Neutral age gate at sign-up • Internal age estimation/inference models • Private ID selfie age-estimation option • Government ID checks via Jumio • Vouching for K-12 education accounts • Credit card authorisation • Automatic blocks for 13–17s on age-restricted content (starting August 13, 2025, YouTube will deploy AI-powered age verification in the U.S., estimating age from viewing habits and escalating to ID or facial scans if needed (August 2025) Teen accounts will default to private uploads and non-personalized ads; creators may see reduced reach if flagged as targeting underage users.	Supervised accounts have strong restrictions. Additionally, Some content cannot be viewed in Australia unless the user verifies their age as 18+.	PhotoDNA, Hash-matching with global databases, Unnamed Machine learning tools, classifiers to detect channels run by u13s.	Unknown	Unknown	29 July 2025 Rolled out age-estimation tech in US by default. (https://techcrunch.com/2025/07/29/youtube-rolls-out-age-estimation-tech-to-identify-u-s-teens-and-apply-additional-protections/?utm_campaign daily_pm)	• Neutral age gate at sign-up • Internal age estimation/inference models • Private ID selfie age-estimation option • Government ID checks via Jumio • Vouching for K-12 education accounts • Credit card authorisation • Automatic blocks for 13–17s on age-restricted content (starting August 13, 2025, YouTube will deploy AI-powered age verification in the U.S., estimating age from viewing habits and escalating to ID or facial scans if needed (August 2025) Teen accounts will default to private uploads and non-personalized ads; creators may see reduced reach if flagged as targeting underage users.
YouTube Kids	YouTube Kids is a version of the YouTube aoo and website developed by for children, with curated content, parental controls and filtering of videos for age appropriate content.		Unknown	Unknown	California, US	No	No	No	No	No	N/A	No	High volume of content available from homepage/feed (requires selection)	Subscribe	Yes	Nil	Minimal	Yes, view only	YouTube Kids is a smaller set of YouTube content filtered for the Kids section. There are a mix of automated filters built by engineering teams, human review, and feedback from parents to protect the community. But not all videos have been manually reviewed.	Past news articles state that hidden messages were hidden in YouTube Kids cartoons		Yes, login not required to report.	Comprehensive	Detailed, easy to understand, user must pass through several clicks to access. Community guidelines and policies behind a age-gated 'parents only' tab.	Prohibited if sexually explicit	No, parents must delete child watch history	Yes	AI methods using a variety of signal such as users age, type of videos a user is searching for, categories they are watching and longevity of account. If AI model deem age to be underage, they can verify their age using a different methods such a uploading a credit card	Yes, content and channels are restricted. Content is presented based on the age range selected. YouTube Kids curates its content through a combination of automated filters, human review, and parental feedback, selecting videos from the broader YouTube platform deemed age-appropriate.	Unknown, deduced to be the same as YouTube.	Unknown	Unknown	https://mashable.com/article/youtube-age-verifying-ai-how?test_uuid_06JWdEfeTMBshvvdqonHSX4Q&tid_variant_9	AI methods using a variety of signal such as users age, type of videos a user is searching for, categories they are watching and longevity of account. If AI model deem age to be underage, they can verify their age using a different methods such a uploading a credit card
Yubo	Yubo is a social networking site app designed for teenagers and young adults with its main feature being live stream video. Yubo also has a swiping feature that allows individuals to swipe on other users of a similar age to make a connection. Available as an app on major app stores for smart phone apps and as an app or browser site on desktop.		1M+ (unknown until)		France	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Endless content available from homepage/feed (requires selection)	Reactions, gifts, viewers, friends added	Yes (user can sort Lives by recommended or other factors)	Multiple	Multiple	No	Yubo age verifies all users in order to group users in limited age brackets, e.g. 13-17 and 17+. Paid users can do 'fast adds' where they rapidly send requests (cap to 500 users.			Yes, user must be logged in, report by harm/policy type	Unknown	Comprehensive guidelines, easy to understand and presented in full at sign up	Prohibited	Partial - users can sort lists of livestreams by other factors (e.g. audience size)	Yes	Yoti age estimation If age estimation is not conclusive Yubo may ask for users to verify their identity with an D such as a passport or drivers license	Yes, users are grouped by age zones	Yoti, Safebur, Unnamed algorithms, keyword-hash lists (CSEA), Hash-matching for images.	Partial	Unknown		Yoti age estimation If age estimation is not conclusive Yubo may ask for users to verify their identity with an D such as a passport or drivers license
Zangi	Zangi is a private communication messenger app for phone calls and instant messaging for mobile devices. Zangi has three levels of encryption, including end-to-end encryption and does not run on a server (decentralised). Users can message others directly or set up group chats. Zangi can be used as both a personal messenging app or a business solution to host team communications or act as a phone system. Available as a mobile app on all major app stores.		Unknown	Unknown	California, US	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Contacts Replies/reactions	No	Minimal	Multiple	No			No clear reporting pathway	Unknown	Limited - does not specify conduct	Unclear	N/A	Yes		No	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown		
Zigazoo	Social media app designed for children. The platform is a video sharing app, marketed as a safe and educational alternative to TikTok. Children can create and share short videos answering challenges and engage in project based learning.		Unknown	Unknown	New York	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Endless scrolling feed + endless swiping vertical short-form video feed	Yes - likes, views, followers, gifts	Yes	NIL	Multiple	No	Zigazoo is kidSAFE COPPA-certified – Zigazoo states that every piece of content in the feed undergoes a thorough human moderation review.		Yes - in app and out of app options. Human moderators respond to reports.	Yes, likely appropriate trust and safety systems as Zigazoo state that *'All media is 100% screened with a stringent human-in-the-loop moderation process'.*	Terms of use are dense and are not designed to increase accessibility for younger readers. Zigazoo state that if users are under 18, a parent or guardian must read the terms of use.	Prohibited	No	Yes	Parental consent and video verification	No - Zigazoo is designed as a platform for kids and families, and it doesn't have age-specific features or separate apps for teens.	Unclear	Zigazoo states that every piece of content in the feed undergoes a thorough human moderation review.	N/A - all content is human moderated before it can be uploaded to the platform.		Parental consent and video verification