

Special Online Event
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Defending Against the Data Breach: Protect from Spyware, Malware, Ransomware and Keyloggers





15 Fundamentals of Data Protection



- **Have a Plan:** As the saying goes, "if you fail to plan, then you plan to fail". But when it comes to data security "if you fail to plan, you plan to pay". And that means you're paying the bad guy or lawyers or the government in fines. Or you're losing business because of a poor security reputation.
- Social Engineering: Know that every time the phone rings, an email comes in, or even an invoice via the US Postal Service is received, that the communication could be designed to socially engineer or influence you or a staff member to transfer money out of your bank account for one reason or the other. No matter the reason for the communication, it's intensity, immediacy or threating nature, the upmost scrutiny needs to be given before monies are paid. Just stop and think before taking action.
- Security Awareness Training: Whether it be hardware, software, or human hacking, there are always vulnerabilities in all systems, all around us. The only way to properly plug these various holes is through education both in person, virtually, and through phishing simulation training. This requires a little bit of time and expense and is an absolute necessity of doing business in 2020 and beyond.
- Hardware: Make sure your devices such as PC's, laptops, mobiles, modems, routers and any peripherals are newer. Old hardware (5+ years) sometimes lacks internal resources to run current more secure software and firmware.



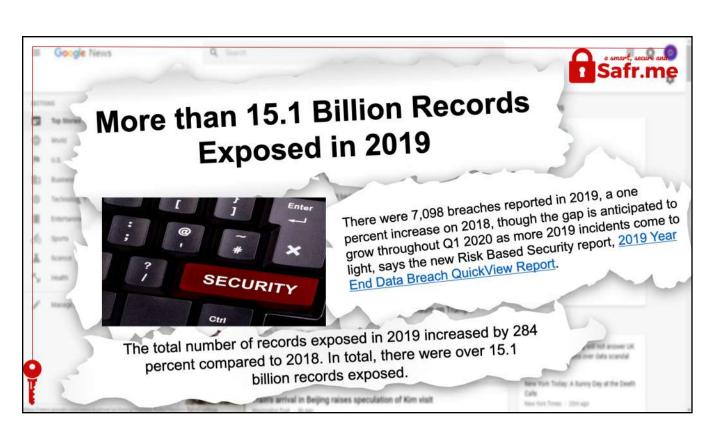
Secure Software: Keep all devices operating systems updated with the latest software updates and critical security patches. Install and run a paid version of antivirus, anti-spyware, anti-phishing and a 2-way firewall.

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- WiFi Security: Set up a secure WiFi connection in your home or business.
- VPN: Ensure your laptop and mobile devices and its data are protected on open free WiFi by using a VPN or "virtual private network"
- Encryption: Protect your data with encryption software.
- Tracking: Install, set up and enable tracking software for lost or stolen laptops and mobile phones
- Backup: Back up and sync all your information on redundant internal and external local hard drives. Back up externally to cloud based backup sites. Back up all data on iPhone and Android mobiles.
- **Passwords:** Set up and run password manager software and eliminate password re-use by having a different password for every online account.
- Two Factor: Set up two-factor or two step authentication for any and all critical accounts that deploy it.
- Social Engineering: Recognize social engineering scams every time the phone rings, an email comes in or someone knocks on the door.
- IT Vendors: Use your circle of influence or trusted network to make recommendations when hiring IT security contractors such as virtual Chief Information Security Officers (vCISO), or depending on the size and scope of the organization a Managed Security Service Provider also known as in MSSP to ensure the security of your network.
- Social media: What you say, post, like, or share has repercussions. Manage your online reputation.

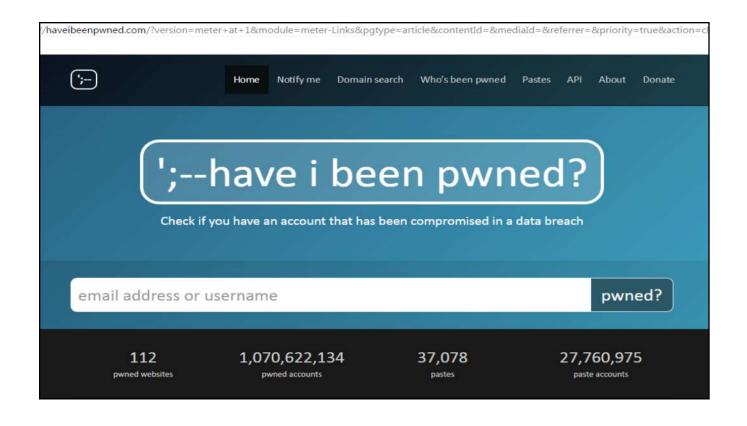


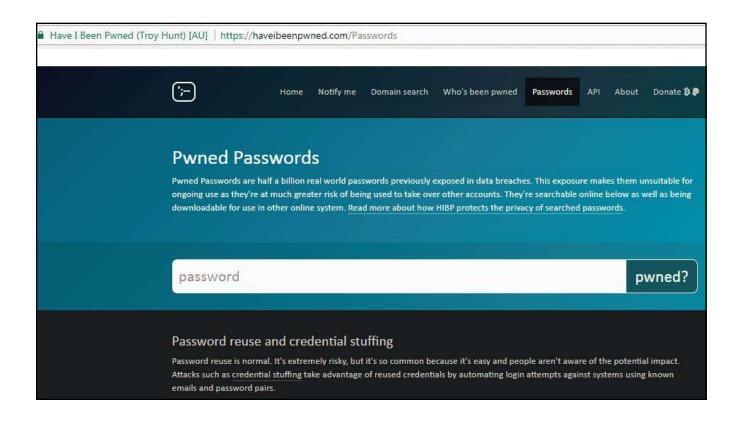














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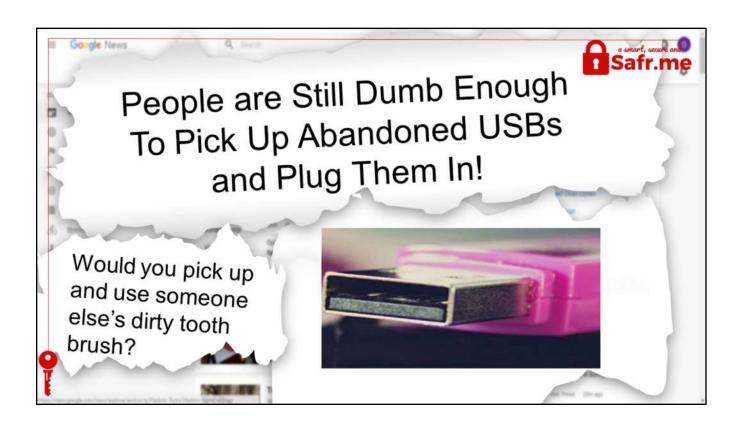


Hi Rob,

I'm not sure if you saw what had happened on my FB Page last night, but someone stole my cell phone while I was at a concert, and posted all of my naked pictures off of my phone and posted them to my wall.

They were up there for hours. So Is there anyway you could help me find out who it was?









Covid-19 Scams

Beware of these Pandemic Phishing Scams

Cybercriminals continue to target victims, even in this environment, and many of these scams are related to COVID-19

Relief Fund Scame

Criminals have started to create phishing scams that look identical to the correspondence that might come from the government. They do this to trick people into revealing their personal information.

Infection Maps that are Malicious

Organizations like Johns Hopkins are creating these maps, but cybercriminals are following close behind and releasing their own.

Impersonating Official Health Organizations

Cybercriminals who are impersonating official health organizations, including WHO - the World Health Organization, or the CDC - Centers for Disease Control.

Scams with COVID-19 Testing Kits

There is also a lot of interest in COVID-19 testing kits, and as you might imagine...the bad guys are targeting these people, too. Not only are these scams spreading via email, according to the FCC, Federal Communications Commission, but also with robocalls, text smishing, and more.

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Medical Supply Scams

These are similar to the testing kit scams but the cybercriminals are using these medical supplies, like masks and gloves, as a lure to get people to give them money.







Identity Theft Frauds and Scams











- New Account Fraud Using another's personal identifying information (SSN) to obtain products and services using that person's good credit standing.
- Account Takeover Fraud Using another persons account numbers such as a credit card number to obtain products and services using that person's existing accounts or extracting funds from a persons bank account.
- **Child Identity Theft** Studies show child identity theft is affecting over 1 million kids every year.
- **❖ Tax Identity Theft** Tax-related scams hit \$240 million in 2017 with 109,000 victims. About 10,000 business returns have been identified by the IRS as potential identity theft.



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