

IDENTITY THEFT BY THE NUMBERS

It Can Happen to Anyone, at Anytime.



Every
2 SECONDS

someone becomes a victim of identity theft¹

ONLY 12%

OF U.S. FAMILIES
have some form of identity theft protection²

Child identity theft will affect
25% OF KIDS

before they reach the age of 18³

In 2017, only
16.7 MILLION

people in the U.S. reported that their identity was stolen
- a fraction of those who are actually affected⁴

1.3 MILLION

children have their records stolen each year⁵

Nearly
60 MILLION

Americans have been affected by identity theft.
That's 1 in every 5 individuals⁶

In 2018, over
446 MILLION

personal records were exposed as a result of data breaches⁷

Tax identity theft alone, cost taxpayers approximately

\$5.2 BILLION

in 2018⁸

In 2017, identity fraud cost
\$16.8 BILLION⁹

DID YOU KNOW THERE ARE SEVERAL DIFFERENT TYPES OF IDENTITY THEFT?

FINANCIAL

Credit card or bank account information is stolen and used.

SOCIAL SECURITY

Social Security number stolen and sold and/or used to steal property or money, forge fraudulent documents, open credit card accounts, apply for loans, apply for jobs, rent apartments and houses, etc.

DRIVER'S LICENSE

Driver's License is stolen and sold and/or used as fake identity in a crime, DUI, or other illegal situations.

MEDICAL

Medical information stolen and used to get doctor appointments, prescriptions, file insurance claims, etc.

INSURANCE

Similar to Medical Identity Theft, perpetrator uses victim's health insurance to receive treatment.

TAX

Fraudulent tax refund filed to IRS in your name.

CRIMINAL

Perpetrator commits crime in your name.

CHILD

Name, social security number, and/or date of birth of child is used to apply for loans, open new accounts, receive benefits, etc.

SYNTHETIC

A fake identity is created from your social security number or social media information, allowing the fake person to open various accounts and credit cards.

OTHER

Stolen mail, account hacking, etc.

DON'T WAIT UNTIL IT'S TOO LATE.

KEEP YOUR PERSONAL DATA SAFE AND SEALED WITH IDSEAL.*

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¹<https://clark.com/technology/theres-a-new-victim-of-identity-theft-every-two-seconds-heres-the-best-way-to-protect-yourself-online/> and <https://www.javelinstrategy.com/press-release/new-identity-fraud-victim-every-two-seconds-2013-according-latest-javelin-strategy>

²BIS World Industry Report (D4588), Identity Theft Protection Services in the U.S., August 2017. U.S. Census Bureau

³<https://www.experian.com/blogs/ask-experian/20-types-of-identity-theft-and-fraud/>

⁴<https://www.javelinstrategy.com/press-release/identity-fraud-hits-all-time-high-167-million-us-victims-2017-according-new-javelin>

⁵<https://www.idtheftcenter.org/>

⁶Harris Poll 2018 per <https://www.marketwatch.com/story/even-the-ceo-of-equifax-has-had-his-identity-stolen-3-times-2019-02-27>

⁷https://www.idtheftcenter.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/02/ITRC_2018-End-of-Year-Aftermath_FINALWEB-V2-2.pdf

⁸<https://www.fraud.org>

⁹<https://www.experian.com/blogs/ask-experian/identity-theft-statistics/>

*It is not possible to prevent all identity theft or cybercrime, or to effectively monitor all activity on the internet; accordingly, IDSeal, like all providers, cannot guarantee complete protection against cybercrime or identity theft.