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## Identity Theft Awareness Week – January 30-February 3, 2023

*Tips and Resource Links to Avoid Scams and Protect Your Data*

[ftc.gov/IDTheftweek](https://ftc.gov/IDTheftweek)

Thank you for picking up this flyer to learn more about identity theft and the common techniques used by scammers to steal your sensitive information. We live in an age of rapidly evolving technology, enabling many of us to conduct our personal and professional business on the internet through our mobile devices. While this level of digital connectivity may be convenient, it unfortunately also creates opportunities for scammers, hackers and identity thieves to commit cybercrime. In 2021 alone, the Federal Trade Commission received over 1.4 million reports of identity theft – over 320% more than in 2018.

Resources: [consumer.ftc.gov/features/identity-theft](https://consumer.ftc.gov/features/identity-theft), [ftccomplaintassistant.gov](https://ftccomplaintassistant.gov), [consumer.ftc.gov](https://consumer.ftc.gov)



### IDENTITY THEFT RESOURCES

Prevention Resources and How to Report Identify Theft

[identitytheft.gov](https://identitytheft.gov) and [ftc.gov/idtheft](https://ftc.gov/idtheft)

Taxpayers Guide to Identify Theft

[irs.gov/newsroom/taxpayer-guide-to-identity-theft](https://irs.gov/newsroom/taxpayer-guide-to-identity-theft)

Military Personnel & Families: What to Know,

What to Do, Add Alerts

[consumer.ftc.gov/articles/0273-active-duty-alerts](https://consumer.ftc.gov/articles/0273-active-duty-alerts)

Identity Theft First Aid

[oag.ca.gov/idtheft/first-aid](https://oag.ca.gov/idtheft/first-aid)

### COMMON IDENTITY THEFT METHODS

IRS Tax Scams/Consumer Alerts

[irs.gov/newsroom/tax-scams-consumer-alerts](https://irs.gov/newsroom/tax-scams-consumer-alerts)

Common Scams

[oag.ca.gov/consumers/common-scams](https://oag.ca.gov/consumers/common-scams)

Employment-Related Identity Theft

[irs.gov/identity-theft-fraud-scams/employment-related-identity-theft](https://irs.gov/identity-theft-fraud-scams/employment-related-identity-theft)



FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

IdentityTheft.gov



### PROTECTING SMALL BUSINESS DATA

Data Breach Response: A Guide for Business

[ftc.gov/data-breach-resources](https://ftc.gov/data-breach-resources)

Cybersecurity and Your Small Business

[ftc.gov/tips-advice/business-center/small-businesses](https://ftc.gov/tips-advice/business-center/small-businesses)

Identity Theft Information for Businesses

[irs.gov/newsroom/identity-theft-information-for-businesses](https://irs.gov/newsroom/identity-theft-information-for-businesses)

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[consumer.ftc.gov/articles/0155-free-credit-reports](https://consumer.ftc.gov/articles/0155-free-credit-reports) or call 1-877-322-8228

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HXgMLpc7ivE>

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