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## Data Breaches



Many businesses wrongly assume they are too small to be on the radar of the threat actors. The truth is that it is all about the data, and small businesses often have less well-guarded data stores. Your average cyber-criminal is lazy and will scrape up any data exposed by running automated online scripts looking for unsecured databases. Unauthorized access of systems or services, skimmers and exposure of sensitive data on the Internet have been the top three breach types since January of 2018. However, insider actions, both malicious and accidental, have driven the number of records exposed. The big breaches make the headlines, but everyday incidents make the money for most threat actors out there.

So how do you protect your company? Start with the basics such as ensuring your databases and services are not misconfigured, leaving the doors to your data wide open to attackers. Another basic that is often implemented poorly, if at all, is security awareness training. All too often, organizations fixate on external threats, while the biggest cause of breaches remains the fallibility of people and an inherent inability of employees to send emails to the right person.

[Link to Additional Resources](#)



## Recovering From Identity Theft

