



If You Shopped At These 16 Stores In The Last Year, Your Data Might Have Been Stolen

When was the last time you heard about a store or restaurant that was hacked, thereby compromising customer data? It probably wasn't all that long ago.

The problem is hackers are getting more sophisticated with their methods, while at the same time companies seem to be slacking in their security.

There are so many ways for hackers to get in, which they can do through even the slightest of openings.

Unfortunately, there is no way to know who will be the next to have a data breach. But as long as information is still put online and in computer systems, hackers will set their sights on the treasure troves of information.

These companies had problems already

Since January 2017, at least 16 notable retailers were hacked, with customer information likely being taken from each one. The levels of the data stolen and the ramifications vary, but if you happened to shop or dine at any of them, then you had some bad luck.

Which companies were in the news for the wrong reasons? Here's a look.

Cheddar's Scratch Kitchen

Darden Restaurants, the parent company of Cheddar's Scratch Kitchen, announced in August they were victims of a cyberattack. The attack occurred between Nov. 3, 2017, and Jan. 2, 2018, and it may have led to credit card information being stolen.

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