



The Investigator Newsletter

10 Ways Technology is Collecting Your Data



Your apps are listening—even when you're not talking.

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How Technology Collects Your Data & How to Protect Yourself

10 Ways Your Data Is Being Collected:

1. Microphone Access: Apps may secretly listen via your mic.
2. Location Tracking: GPS tracks you even when apps aren't open.
3. Bluetooth Beacons: Stores can track your phone nearby.
4. Keylogging: Some tools track everything you type.
5. Screen Scraping: Apps may record your on-screen activity.
6. Contact Access: Social apps build shadow profiles from your contacts.
7. Photo Metadata: Time, location, and device info are often harvested.
8. Wi-Fi Snooping: Public Wi-Fi can expose your data.
9. Excessive Permissions: Apps ask for more access than needed.
10. Smart Devices Listening: Voice assistants may listen passively.

10 Ways to Protect Yourself:

- Review Permissions: Only allow what's essential.
- Use a VPN: Encrypt and hide your online activity.
- Limit Location Access: Disable where not needed.
- Cover Mic & Camera: Use physical blockers.
- Avoid Public Wi-Fi: Or use a secure hotspot.
- Choose Private Apps: Use tools like Brave and DuckDuckGo.

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- Use Encrypted Messaging: Stick to Signal or WhatsApp (E2E).
- Keep Software Updated: Fix security holes fast.
- Be Wary of Free Apps: Free often means you're the product.
- Skim Privacy Policies: Know what you're agreeing to.

Whether you're an individual concerned about leaks or a business safeguarding trade secrets, we're here to help you stay secure in a surveillance-heavy world.

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