

# Equifax Announces Data Breach

*Credit agency provides protocol for impacted consumers*

**Equifax experienced a data breach potentially impacting 143+ million Americans.** Further information can be found at [investor.equifax.com](http://investor.equifax.com). The cyberattack in which criminals accessed a U.S. website application occurred from May through July 2017.

The credit reporting agency says Social Security numbers, names, addresses and driver's license numbers were exposed. Credit card numbers for 209,000 consumers were also accessed, as well as other personal identifying information for 182,000 people.

**Equifax, which is one the leading American credit rating agencies used for consumer and business purposes worldwide, has established the following protocol to determine if your information is at risk:**

- **Consumers are encouraged to visit [EquifaxSecurity2017.com](http://EquifaxSecurity2017.com). Equifax is providing complimentary identity theft protection and credit file monitoring for one year through TrustedID Premier for impacted consumers.**

Busey is committed to keeping customer information safe. **While this is not a result of a compromise at Busey, we proactively share the following tips to protect your personal information.**

- Add a "security passcode"—a word, phrase or numerical combination—on your account. The "security passcode" must be provided in order to access information on your account. To get started, email [fraud@busey.com](mailto:fraud@busey.com).
- Closely monitor accounts using Busey ebank, Busey Mobile or the Busey Mobile App for unauthorized charges.
- Report suspected fraud to your financial institution, the Federal Trade Commission at [www.consumer.gov/idtheft](http://www.consumer.gov/idtheft) or at 877.438.4338 and the fraud units of the credit reporting agencies immediately.
- Never give out personal information in an email, and never over the phone unless you initiated the contact. Remember, your financial institution will never contact you and request your personal information.
- Protect your PINs (do not carry them in your wallet) and passwords.
- **Additional information on protecting your personal information can be found in the [Information Security Center](#) on [busey.com](http://busey.com).**



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