

# ***Annual Impact***

- ***10M IDT victims***
- ***\$50B cost to America***
- ***28% of IDT involve credit or financial fraud***
- ***50% open new accounts***
- ***>60% of Preparers have clients with Tax Fraud IDT***

**Identity Theft Facts**

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Source: Federal Trade Commission

# ***How Thieves Get Your Information***

- ***60% Sort through your trash or Personal Computer***
- ***25% Scam or Hack you While Online***
- ***15% Steal Your Wallet***

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**SHRED ALL FINANCIAL RECORDS AND MAIL THAT CONTAINS PERSONAL INFORMATION (If you do not have a crosscut shredder, bring your papers to Shotland Tax Consulting and use our shredder)**

# *Passwords and Online Security*

## Examples of weak passwords

- **123456**
- **password**
- **12345678**
- **abc123**
- **qwerty**
- **123456789**
- **111111**
- **1234567**
- **Iloveyou**
- **adobe123**

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**Use strong passwords, both upper and lower case letters, numbers and special characters**

*Make it difficult for hackers to steal your personal ID*

# ***Passwords and Online Security***

- ***Criminals count on RE-USE of passwords***
- ***40% mobile phones have no lock code***
- ***Database hacks***

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# The Best Password Managers for 2015

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Thinking up a strong password that you can remember is hard enough; doing it for every website is nearly impossible—unless you use a password manager.

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Name	Dashlane 3	LastPass 3.0 Premium	Sticky Password Premium	RoboForm Everywhere 7	Keeper Password Manager & Digital Vault 8	LogMeOnce Password Management Suite Ultimate	Password Boss Premium	Authentic8 Silo	Password Genie 4.4	Zoho Vault
Lowest Price	\$39.99 Dashlane - Synced	\$12.00 LastPass	\$19.99 Lamantine Software	\$19.95 RoboForm	\$29.99 Keeper Security	\$39.00 LogMeOnce	\$29.99 Password Boss	\$10.00 Authentic8	\$15.00 SecurityCoverage	\$12.00 Zoho
Editor Rating	★★★★★ EC	★★★★★ EC	★★★★★ EC	★★★★★	★★★★★	★★★★★	★★★★★	★★★★★	★★★★★	★★★★★
Import From Browsers	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗
Import From Competitors	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓

## Steps you should take to prevent identity theft

1. Shred financial records
2. Change passwords often
3. Use password manager
4. Do not leave network on when not in use
5. Use anti-virus software
6. Insure firewall is set correctly
7. Use password with wireless network
8. Review credit report at least once a year

- 1. File a Report with Law Enforcement**
- 2. Report Identity Theft at [ftc.gov/complaint](https://ftc.gov/complaint)**
- 3. Place a “Fraud Alert” on one of the Credit Bureaus**
- 4. Close any Financial Accounts Opened or Compromised**
- 5. Review [SSA.gov](https://ssa.gov) Social Security Earnings Statement**
- 6. Complete IRS Form 14039, Identity Theft Affidavit**

**Identity Theft Response**

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