

THE WEEK IN BREACH NEWS: 12/23/20 – 12/29/20

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This Week in Breach News: Ransomware was an unwelcome holiday gift for a plastic surgery group, a trucking company, and other organizations.

The Week in Breach News: Top Threats This Week

- **Top Source Hits:** Ransomware
 - **Top Compromise Type:** Domain
 - **Top Industry:** Medical
 - **Top Employee Count:** 250+
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Forward Air

<https://www.bleepingcomputer.com/news/security/trucking-giant-forward-air-hit-by-new-hades-ransomware-gang/>

Exploit: Ransomware

Risk to Business: 2.113 = Severe

Another trucking company got hit with ransomware this week, as attacks on shipping and logistics targets continue to surge. Forward Air took the hit this time from a ransomware gang that's just coming on the scene, Hades. Operations and services were disrupted, and recovery is ongoing.

Individual Risk:

No personal or consumer information was reported as impacted in this incident at this time but the incident is still under investigation.

Customers Impacted: Unknown

How it Could Affect Your Business: Ransomware is increasingly being used to disrupt business operations instead of just snatch business data, and that's equally bad news for every company.

TennCare

<https://www.wkrn.com/news/tenncare-announces-privacy-breach-impacting-3300-members/>

Exploit: Insider Accident (Accidental)

TennCare: Medicaid Services Agency



Risk to Business: 2.602 = Moderate

A blunder at TennCare has led to the exposure of personally identifiable information for about 3,300 Medicaid patients in Tennessee.

Employees at an information processing vendor mistakenly sent out misaddressed mailers that may have contained protected health information to the wrong recipients.



Individual Risk: 2.771 = Moderate

The state has set up a hotline for members to find out if they're at risk by calling (833) 754-1793. The state will also be providing free credit monitoring for breach victims. TennCare users should be wary of potential spear phishing and financial scams using this information.

Customers Impacted: 3,300

How it Could Affect Your Business: To err is human...unfortunately. But increased security awareness training can help reduce a company's chance of experiencing a damaging security incident by up to 70%.

TaskRabbit

<https://latesthackingnews.com/2020/12/26/taskrabbit-reset-passwords-after-credential-stuffing-attack/>

Exploit: Credential Stuffing

TaskRabbit: Microlabor Marketplace



Risk to Business: 2.803 = **Moderate**

Users of the Boston-based gig work platform TaskRabbit were surprised to get forced password reset notices when they logged in over the weekend. The company says it stopped a credential stuffing attack and did not suffer a breach or intrusion, but is having users reset their passwords “out of an abundance of caution”. The incident is still under investigation.

Individual Risk:

No personal or consumer information was reported as exposed in the incident at this time, but may change as the investigation progresses.

Customers Impacted: Unknown

How it Could Affect Your Business: Credential stuffing attacks can be devastating. In this case, TaskRabbit got lucky, but they may not be as fortunate next time.