

# Privacy Digest



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## VOLKSWAGEN FINED \$1.1M UNDER GDPR FOR UNAUTHORIZED DATA COLLECTION

JUL 27 2022

Volkswagen has agreed to pay €1.1 million (U.S. \$1.1 million) to resolve allegations of violating the General Data Protection Regulation when a camera on one of its test vehicles recorded nearby drivers without their knowledge.



## 288M RECORDS ON INDIAN PENSION FUND HOLDERS EXPOSED

AUG 5 2022

Data security professionals discovered more than 288 million exposed records belonging to pension fund holders in India. Full names, bank account numbers and nominee information were among the data potentially accessed when two databases were left open without a password.

## UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA'S STUDENT RECORD SYSTEM BREACHED

AUG 4 2022

University of Western Australia's student record system breach that potentially compromised the personal data of current and former students .

**Data Breaches  
& Fines**

# GOOGLE TO PAY AU\$60M FINE

**AUG 12 2022**

Google to pay AU\$60M fine to Australian Competition and Consumer Commission as federal court found Google misled Australian consumers into believing the company was not collecting their location data with Android devices.



## RING, DOORBELL COMPANY SUED OVER ILLINOIS BIPA VIOLATIONS

**AUG 5 2022**

Ring collected biometric facial images without passers-by's consent. The class is composed of people who do not own Ring doorbells, who sued under Illinois' Biometric Information Privacy Act and alleged Ring failed to obtain their consent before collecting facial biometrics.

## TWITTER GLITCH ALLOWED ANONYMOUS ACCOUNTS TO BE IDENTIFIED

**AUG 8 2022**

The glitch allowed a user to enter an email address or phone number into Twitter's system to find out the account associated with those login credentials. The company became aware of the glitch when an individual sought to sell account information they obtained

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# AKASA AIR SELF REPORTED A PERSONAL DATA BREACH DUE TO AN ISSUE WITH ITS SYSTEMS CONFIGURATION.

**AUG 29 2022**

Akasa Air, which started operations less than a month ago, has suffered data breach resulting in certain customer information being accessed by unauthorised individuals. The airline on Sunday apologised for the data breach and said the incident has been "self-reported" to the nodal agency, the Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In). As a result, some Akasa Air registered user information limited to names, gender, e-mail addresses and phone numbers may have been viewed by unauthorised individuals.



## RWANDA'S DATA PROTECTION SUPERVISORY AUTHORITY PUBLISHES GUIDANCE ON THE 'RIGHT TO OBJECT'

**AUG 12 2022**

Rwanda's Data Protection Authority (National Cyber Security Authority) recently published its guidance on the 'Right to Object'.

## SOUTH-AFRICA PUBLISHES GUIDELINES ON NOTIFICATION OF SECURITY COMPROMISE

**AUG 9 2022**

THE data protection regulatory body in South-Africa; the Information Regulator, have published guidelines on how the notification of security compromise to the Information Regulator in terms of section 22 of the Protection of Personal Information Act 4 of 2013 (POPIA) must be completed by Responsible Parties

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## NEW ZEALAND'S NEW PRIVACY COMMISSIONER MICHAEL WEBSTER WAS APPOINTED

**AUG 4 2022**

New Zealand OPC seeks public input on biometric uses to ensure entities have proper guidance and regulations that allow for innovation using biometric information and to protect peoples' privacy.

## FTC OFFICIALLY LAUNCHES PRIVACY RULEMAKING ENDEAVOUR

**AUG 12 2022**



The Federal Trade Commission opened its long-anticipated rulemaking on measures to stop corporations and other commercial actors from abusing people's personal data - it released an Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking ("ANPR") on the topic.

## INDIA-PERSONAL DATA PROTECTION BILL 2019, WAS WITHDRAWN

**AUG 3 2022**



An official familiar with Parliament's negotiations said many proposed DPA functions "were out of its remit" and dropping the DPA would help "to not overwhelm one authority and increase compliance costs for small companies. The new bill may add a consumer redress mechanism in lieu of a regulator

## LAWMAKERS, GOVERNMENT AGREE TO INDONESIAN DATA PROTECTION AUTHORITY

**AUG 9 2022**

Indonesia's House of Representatives and relevant government agencies agreed to the creation of a supervisory authority that will oversee enforcement of them to oversee the enforcement of the data protection bill

**New  
Appointments**