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Cybersecurity Introduction

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Cybersecurity Topics



- Introduction & Threats
- Antivirus Software
- Password Managers
- Backups
- Phone Scams & Call Blocking Apps
- GCC Classes
- Summary Actions

Cybersecurity Introduction

 Hardening your computer is an essential step for securing your personal information and data

- Hardening tries to detect, delay and deny external users using your computer
- Hardening involves several steps to form "layers" of protection
 - Using antivirus and antispyware protection
 - Regularly downloading the latest manufacturers patches
 - Disabling unused software and applications
 - Use strong passwords for all accounts
 - Use a firewall
 - Lock your PC / Mac screen when not in use
 - Shut down computer if gone more than 6 hrs
 - Install a back-up system

Characteristics of Home Cybersecurity Threats



Threats	Threat Types	Devices	Preventions
Devices	Ransomware	Computers	Backups - #1
Identity	Phishing	Modem / Router / hub	Operating system updates
Accounts	Malicious Apps	Network / ISP	Firmware updates
Home	Social Media	Streaming devices	Antivirus / Anti-malware
	Virus & worms	Internet of Things (IoT)	Browser Hardening
	Wi-Fis	Smart Home Devices	Password Management
		Medical monitoring	Encryption
			2-Factor Authentication

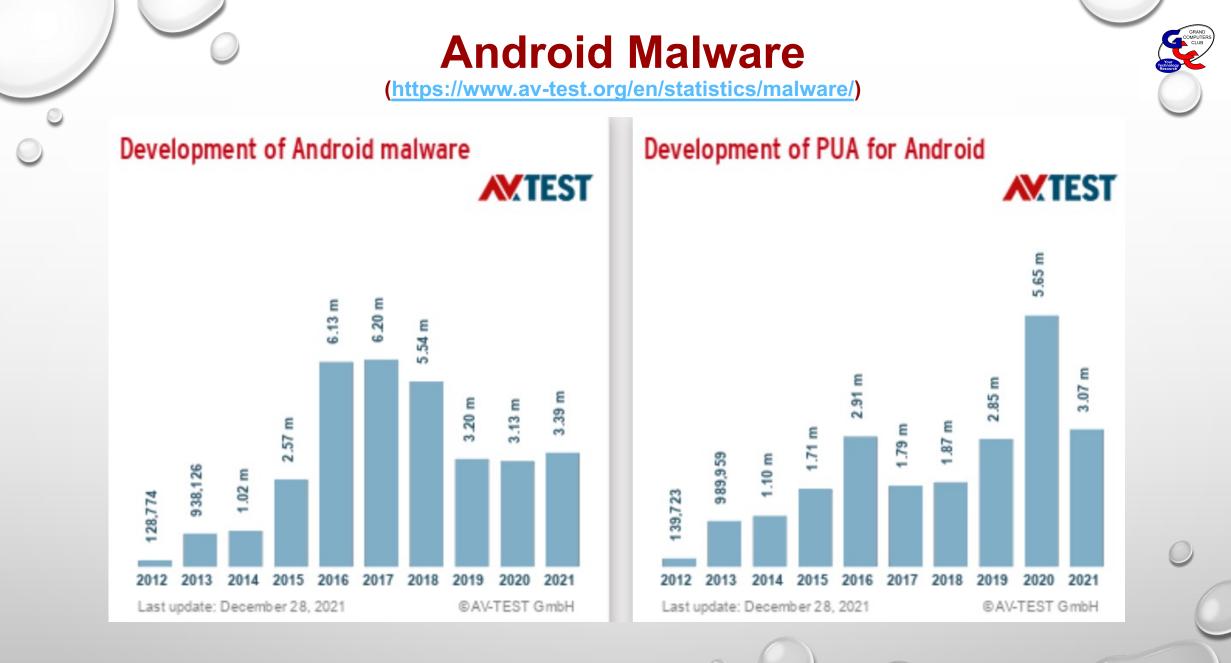
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Total Malware (https://www.av-test.org/en/statistics/malware/)

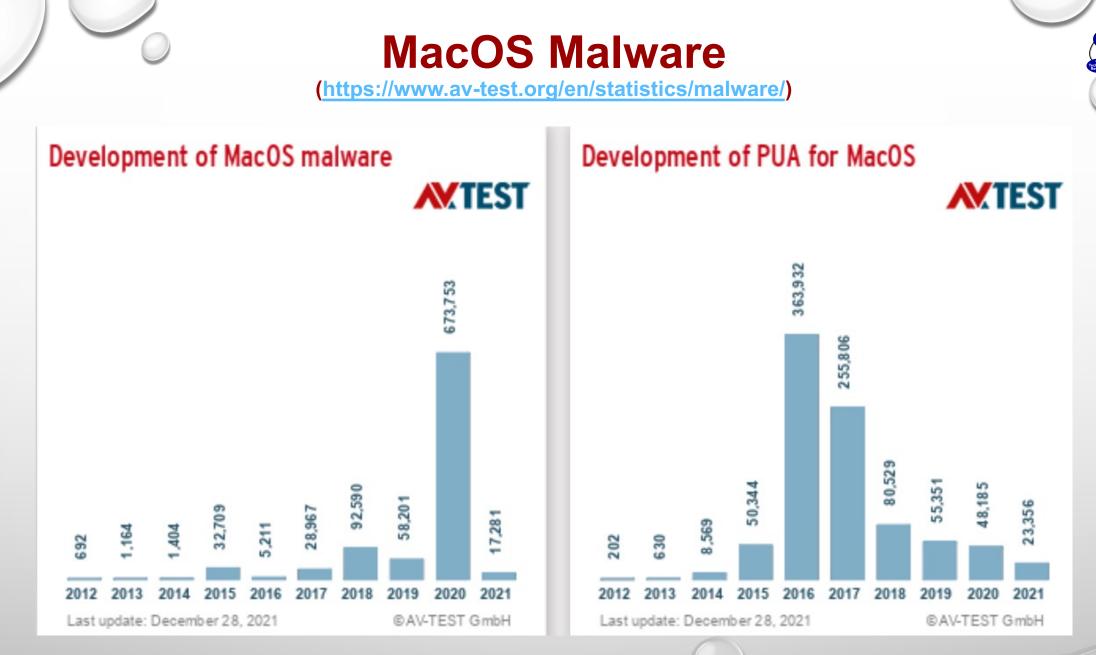
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 Every day, the AV-TEST Institute registers over 450,000 new malicious programs (malware) and potentially unwanted applications (PUA).

Total malware



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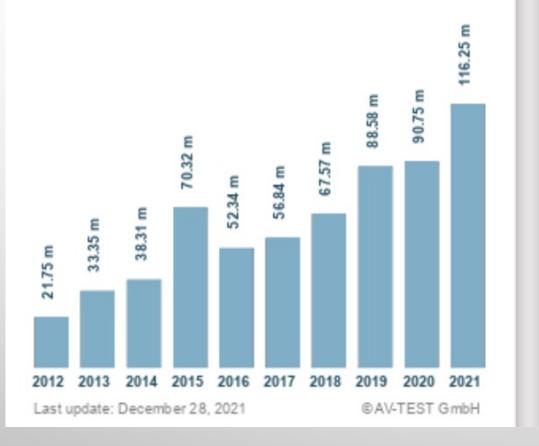
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Windows Malware

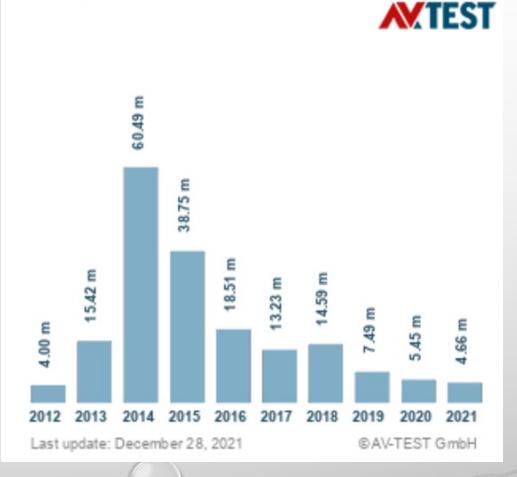
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Development of Windows malware



Development of PUA for Windows



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Top ten countries

Complete list

Last 14 days

Country	ast 14 days.
Vereinigte Staaten von Ameri	ka 33.3%
Bulgarien	12.1%
Russische Föderation	9.8%
Serbien	6.1%
Großbritannien	5.4%
Brasilien	3.6%
Ukraine	3.2%
Indien	2.1%
Argentinien	1.6%
Vietnam	1.2%

Last 60 days

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Vereinigte Staaten von Ameri	ika 40.8%	
Russische Föderation	8.7%	
Bulgarien	5.8%	
Deutschland	3.7%	
Großbritannien	3.4%	
Serbien	2.9%	
Brasilien	2.9%	
Indien	2.0%	
Ukraine	1.9%	
Frankreich	1.9%	

Last 180 days

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.8%	Deutschland	7.0%	
.7%	Frankreich	3.0%	
.4%	China	2.8%	
.9%	Bulgarien	2.1%	
.9%	Ukraine	2.0%	
0%	Brasilien	1.9%	
.9%	Spanien	1.6%	
.9%	Großbritannien	1.5%	

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COUNTRIES SENDING MOST SPAM

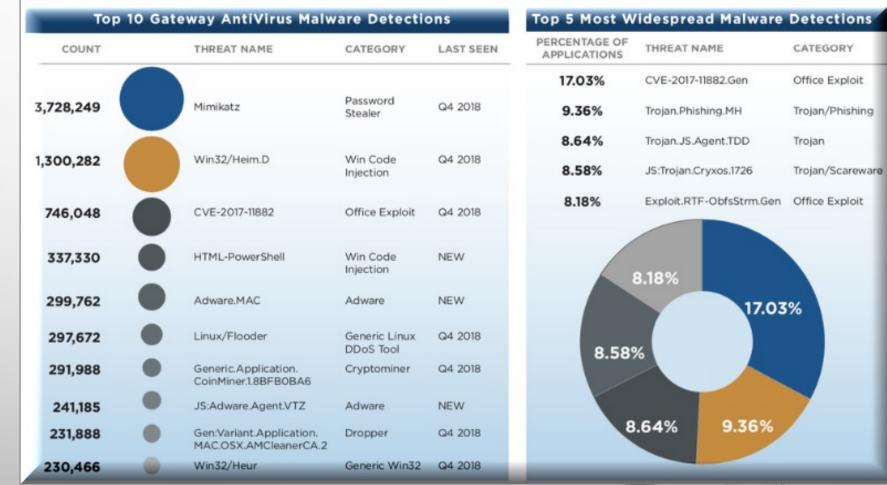
(HTTPS://WWW.AV-TEST.ORG/EN/STATISTICS/SPAM/)

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Surge in Mac Malware

https://www.appleworld.today/blog/2019/6/25/new-research-says-theres-a-surge-in-mac-malware

 Illustrates the importance of layered security protections in today's advanced threat landscape



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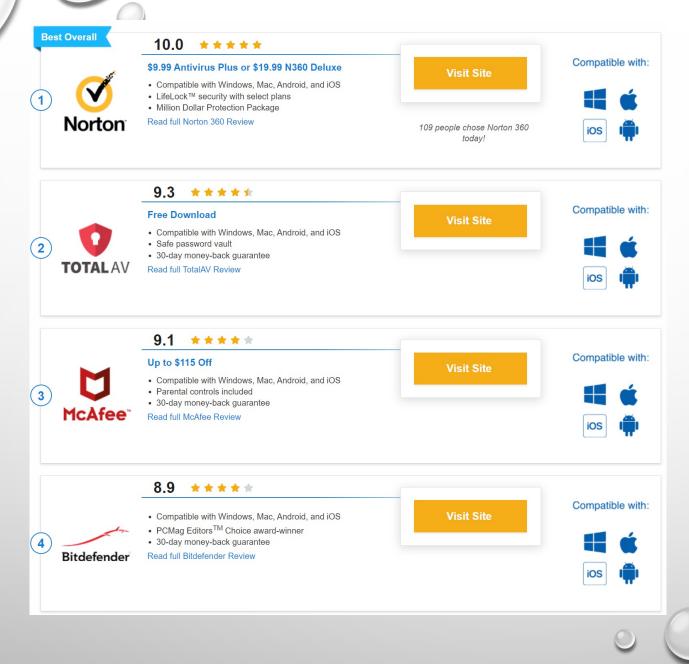
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Threats, Updates & Passwords



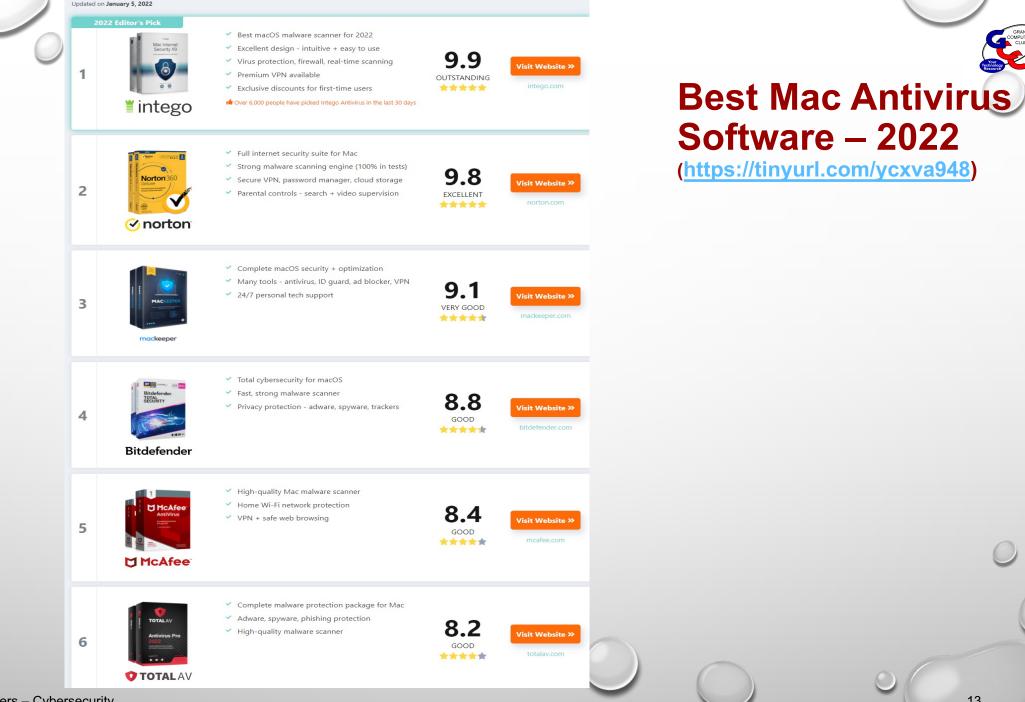
- Internet
- Via email
- Someone with direct access / Phone calls
- Always update to latest Operating System
 - Have the latest security updates
 - If your computer won't update to latest OS, it is your signal to upgrade to a newer computer

- Passwords
 - Use complex 12-16-character passwords
 - Do not use same password for different accounts
 - Must have a Password Manager
 - Cloud based, encrypted files, synced to all devices



Best PC Antivirus Software – 2022

(https://tinyurl.com/yx9vfvkr)

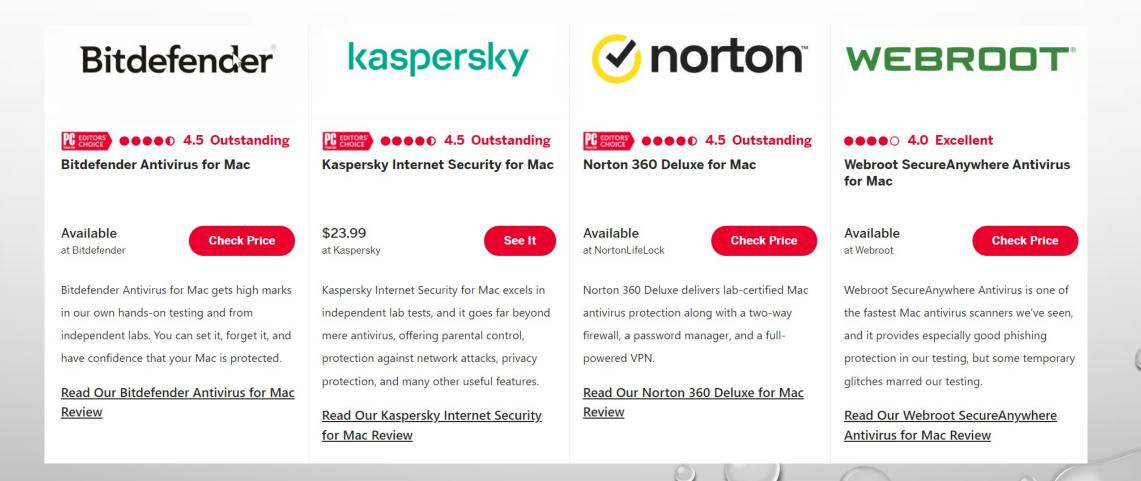


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Best Android Antivirus Software – 2022

(https://www.pcmag.com/picks/the-best-mac-antivirus-protection)



Best iOS Antivirus Apps in 2022 (https://tinyurl.com/5n9b4nf3)

Norton Mobile Security — #1 iOS antivirus protects your device from cyberattacks (plus you can try Norton risk-free with its 60-day money-back guarantee).

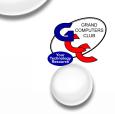
TotalAV Mobile Security — Optimization tools boost iOS performance, but it's more expensive.

<u>Bitdefender Mobile Security</u> — Includes unlimited VPN good for streaming and browsing, but doesn't offer many other features.

<u>McAfee Mobile Security</u> — Loaded with features like a media vault, WiFi protection, and safe web browsing, but costs a lot to get full-coverage security.

<u>Avira Prime Security</u> — Secures your network, but very slow customer support response times

Why Use a Password (PW) Manager?



- 1 in 10 people have had identity stolen
- About 1 in 3 US people have had identity stolen Account security should be at top of your list More than 76% of adults memorize their passwords ✓ Prone to memory loss & cross-account compromises Do you want About 9% use sticky notes or notebook ✓Not electronic, not secure or very portable About 6% use text files with URLs, Username & PWs ✓Not secure or accessible everywhere

Device Security Quiz

- Which of the following are strong password practices? (Choose all that apply.)
 - 1. Passwords should contain a mixture of upper- & lower-case letters, numbers, & special characters.
 - 2. Passwords should have personal meaning to you (e.g., a relative's birthday) so that you can remember them more easily.
 - 3. You should immediately change your password in the case of a known data breach.
 - 4. You should store your passwords on paper or in a text document, giving you a backup in the event that you forget them.

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Answer: <u>1 & 3</u>

Benefits of a Password (PW) Manager

They save you time by automatically logging you into websites

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A password manager reduces your risk of identity theft

A password manager reduces your risk of losing money

> They audit your existing passwords and suggest security improvements

You save time by never having to request a password reset again



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Most Important Features of Password Managers

Generating Strong Passwords

Storing the Passwords Safely

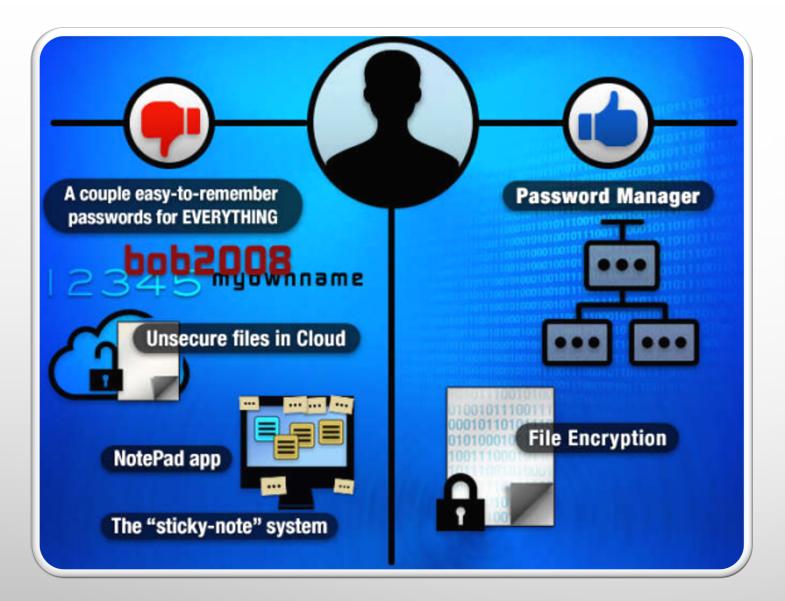
Automatically Filling Passwords for You

Accessing your Passwords on your Smartphone

2 Factor Authentication – Extra Security

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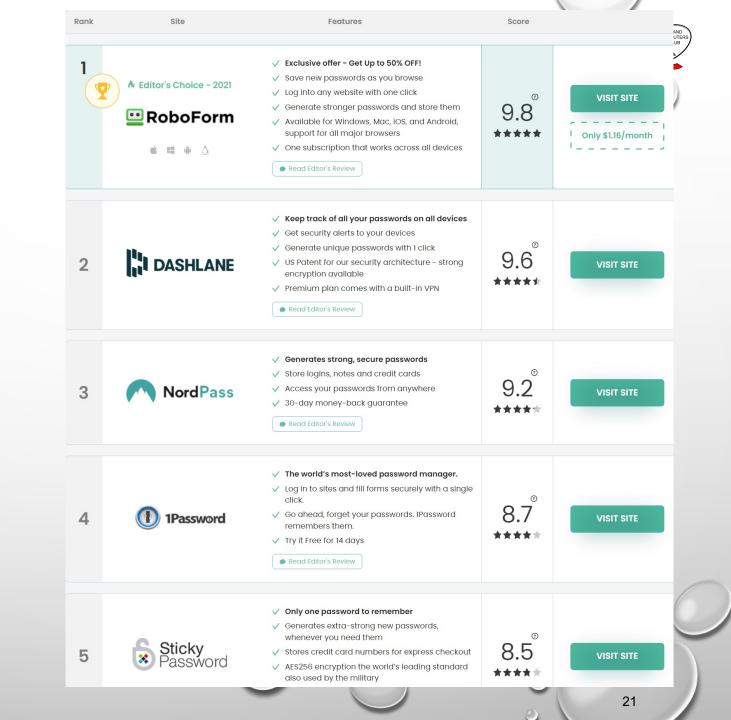


MANAGING PWS

DO'S & DON'TS

TOP 5 PASSWORD MANAGERS FOR 2021

(Top 5 Password Managers - English (top5passwordmanagers.com))



Top Password Managers for 2022 (https://tinyurl.com/y2jfa779)

	DASHLANE	😐 RoboForm	1 Password		Norton [®]
	VISIT SITE	VISIT SITE	VISIT SITE	VISIT SITE	VISIT SITE
	→ Editor's Review	➢ Editor's Review	→ Editor's Review	→ Editor's Review	→ Editor's Review
Editor's Rating	****	****	****	****	*****
Best For	General Users	Power Users	First Time Users	Security Novices	Brand Loyalities
Supported Client Software		€ ■ ▲● ● ○	€ ⋕ ≜ 9 € 0		

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Best for Free Password Management

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Best for Abundance of Features

Logme Once Password Security with Convenience Best for Open-Source Password Management



Best for Security-First Password Management



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WWPass PassHub



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Visit Site

The unusual cloud-based WWPass PassHub works on any platform and is very secure, but it doesn't automatically capture or replay passwords. It's a good password manager for those who value security over convenience.

Read Our WWPass PassHub Review

BEST FREE PASSWORD MANAGERS FOR 2022 HTTPS://WWW.PCMAG.COM/ROUNDUP/331555/THE-BEST-FREE-PASSWORD-MANAGERS

Visit Site at MYKI

EDITORS CHOICE Myki

Myki is the best free password manager for users looking for secure storage, ease of use, quick authentication, and cross-platform syncing. It has trouble with form-filling on mobile devices, however.

Read Our Myki Review



at LogmeOnce

See It

●●●●● 4.5 Outstanding

The free, skillfully redesigned LogMeOnce Password Management Suite Premium boasts more features than any competitor, free or paid. But do you need all of those features?

Read Our LogMeOnce Password Management Suite Premium Review

EDITORS' CHOICE	••••0	4.0	Excellent
Bitwarde	en		

The open-source Bitwarden's free tier handles all expected password manager tasks with surprisingly few limitations. Its paid tier adds security, storage, and sharing tools, all at an extremely low price for the category.

Read Our Bitwarden Review

Why Backup your Machine?

- #1 Protection for your data
- Hard Disk / SSD on your computer will fail
 - Just a matter of time
- Disaster may cause loss of computer / data
 Fire, Flood, Tornado, etc.
- Theft
 - House break in stolen computer
- Cybersecurity

Ransomware / malware attack – encrypts / infects files

- User errors
 - Deletes wrong files

The Ideal Backup Checklist

- Backup Frequently
- Redundancy have multiple backups
 Local Backup External USB Local Drive
 Online Backup a Cloud service (BackBlaze)
 - Off-Site Backup Store backup USB / disk at a Bank

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- The 3-2-1 Rule (no single point failure)
 - ➤3 copies of data
 - 2 different media formats (e.g., USB & Cloud)
 - ≻1 stored off-site

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Three Options for Local External Backup

- **1. USB Solid State Device**
 - Fast, small storage space, expensive
- 2. USB Hard Drives recommended
 - Slower, lots of space e.g., 4-10GB
- 3. USB Flash Drives
 - Cheap, Simple, small storage space







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Phone Scams

(https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articl es/phonescams#how%20to%20recognize) People lose lots of money to phone scams

Scammers have figured out ways to cheat you out of your money

They will try to get your \$\$ or personal information for Identity Theft – Don't give them anything!

Recognizing a Phone Scam

Caller might say – "You have been selected"

Scammers might pretend to be Law Officers

- They say you'll be arrested, fined or deported or charity calls
- Real Law Enforcement won't call you

You don't need to decide now if pressured

There is NEVER a good reason to send CASH

• Gift card, money transfer, check – No-No-No!

Government agencies will not call you

• Social Security, IRS, etc.

Companies will not call you

• Microsoft, Apple, Chase Bank, etc.



Examples of Common Phone Scams

Imposter scams Social security Admin, IRS, Problem with computer 	 Debt relief & credit repair scams Lower you credit card interest rate 	Business & investment scams • Guarantee big profits	Charity scams
Extended car warranties	Prize & Lottery scams	Loan or Free Trial scams	Travel scams & timeshare scams • Low-cost vacations • Offer to sell your timeshare

How to Stop Call Scammers Hang up

Consider call blocking

Don't trust your caller ID

- Scammers can make any name or # show up
- Looks like a local #

iPhone Call Blocking Apps

(https://medium.com/maco clock/12-best-callblockers-for-iphoneef1e913e7269) **REKK — Call Blocker**

RoboKiller: Block Spam Calls

Call Control: #1 Call Blocker

Call Blocker: Block spam calls

AT&T Call Protect

Hiya: Spam Phone Call Blocker

Truecaller

Mr. Number Lookup & Call Block

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Note: Most are FREE

Android Call Blocking Apps

(<u>https://techviral.net/best-calls-blocker-apps-for-android-smartphones</u>)

- <u>Call Blocker- Blacklist</u>
- Mr. Number
- Avast Mobile Security & Antivirus
- <u>Showcaller Caller ID & Block</u>
- <u>Call Blocker</u>
- <u>Hiya</u>
- <u>Truecaller</u>

Note: Most are FREE

Grand Computers Cybersecurity Initiative



- Planning meetings started in winter 2018
 - What could the club do to help our members?
 - Ransomware, Phishing, Malware increasing all around us
 - Ray Fagan, Leon Chapman, Maria Frasca, Gloria Young, Dan Wallen & Joe Parla
 - Develop Cybersecurity courses 1st for Windows 10 & MacOS
 - Educate Tech Helpers 1st Nov & Dec 2019 Ray & Leon
 - Offer classes to our members
 - Classes starting in Winter 2020
 - Classes will be two 2-hr sessions Lecture + Hands-on
 - Hands-on for students to bring devices for hardening several Tech Helpers to assist students

GCC Cybersecurity Classes



Cybersecurity Courses for PCs

Introduction to Cybersecurity Basics
 Windows 10 Hardening - Set up and Configure
 Windows 10 Backup - Restoration Points and Data Backup

Window 10 Edge Browser Hardening

Google Chrome Browser Hardening

Cybersecurity Courses for Macs

MacOS Hardening – Set up and Configure

Safari Browser Hardening & Time Machine backup

Summary - Priority Actions for Users

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- 1. Always have backups of your system / files
- 2. Use an antivirus / malware program
- 3. Use a Password Manager
 - Generates complex passwords automatically
 - Easy to change and remembers passwords
 - Change passwords frequently
- 4. Always update OS to latest version
- 5. Harden your device thru OS settings

Firewall

- Limit app access to location, contacts, photos, etc.
- 6. Harden your Browser thru settings
- 7. Install Call / Spam blocker Apps on mobile phones



What questions do you have for me?



