

data security news

Data found on surplus computers

Deseret News, 5-13-07

Utah State Auditor Auston Johnson found sensitive information, including Social Security and credit card numbers, on state surplus computers that were bound for public sale. Auditors found sensitive information on 17 of 23 computers that were waiting to be sold by the state's Surplus Property Division.

New York crackdown

Dark Reading, 5-10-07

New York Attorney General Andrew Cuomo has reached the first settlement under the state's new Information Security Breach and Notification Law, fining a claims management company \$60,000 for failing to notify 540,000 New York consumers that their personal information was at risk after a laptop went missing in 2006.

IT professionals fear losing job over security breach

eChannel, 5-06-07

Few IT professionals feel equipped to deal with lost corporate or personal data, according to a new King Research report. The research found that 73% of respondents fear losing their jobs if a major security breach were to occur, and 65% said that their security tools are too difficult to use to protect their company's networks.

Federal agency loses data on 100,000 employees

Boston Globe, 5-05-07

The U.S. Transportation Security Administration lost a computer hard drive containing Social Security numbers, bank data and payroll information for 100,000 employees. TSA said it will fire anyone discovered to have violated agency policies.

Once more into the data breach

North County Times, 4-16-07

Confidential files on more than 54 million Americans have been lost, stolen or otherwise compromised by breaches of business, school and government agency computers, according to the Identity Theft Resource Center in San Diego.

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