How to preserve what little privacy you have left on the internet

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Repeal of broadband privacy rules

Protecting the Privacy of Customers of Broadband and Other Telecommunications Services

"The rules, which have not yet gone into effect, require AT&T Inc., Charter Communications Inc., Comcast Corp. and other broadband providers to get customer permission before using or sharing sensitive personal data, such as Web browsing or app usage history and the geographic trail of mobile devices."

http://www.latimes.com/business/la-fi-broadband-privacy-senate-20170323-story.html

Because apparently, protecting consumer privacy on the internet is a bad thing…….

Also, Companies track your browsing habits on the internet.

They track you from page to page using 1x1 tracking pixels

To remedy the issue…..

- **Use a VPN**

  - An encrypted tunnel which masks your traffic from your ISP

  - There are a plethora of VPN providers available

  - Most (if not all) of which take credit cards

    - Some even take gift cards

  - Some even have guides for setting the VPN up on your router
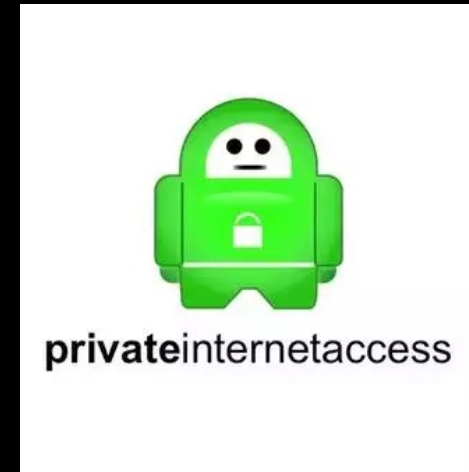
Private Internet Access (PIA)

- This is the provider I use.
- Has clients for Windows, Mac, and Linux
- Android and iOS app
- Extension for Google Chrome.

privateinternetaccess

AirVPN

Has clients for Windows, Mac, different flavors of Linux,

•Android and iOS app

•App for ChromeOS

To remedy the issue….. (cont.)

Use browser extensions which block ads, tracking pixels and tracking cookies

- **uBlock Origin**
  - Ad blocker
- **Privacy Badger**
  - Blocks third-party cookies
- **HTTPS Everywhere**
  - Enforces HTTPS on sites that don't do it by default

To remedy the issue…..(cont. 2: electric boogaloo)

- **uBlock Matrix (called uMatrix on the add-on page)**
  - A more powerful version of uBlock with more precise control.
  - i.e. block all tracking cookies from youtube.com but allow all media files

Thank you for your time.

Stay safe on the internet, folks.

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