

Database of 191 million U.S. voters exposed on Internet: researcher



Signs are pictured during a voter registration drive for National Voter Registration Day outside Convention Center in Los Angeles, California September 22, 2015. REUTERS/Mario Anzuoni



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An independent computer security researcher uncovered a database of information on 191 million voters that is exposed on the open Internet due to an incorrectly configured database, he said on Monday.

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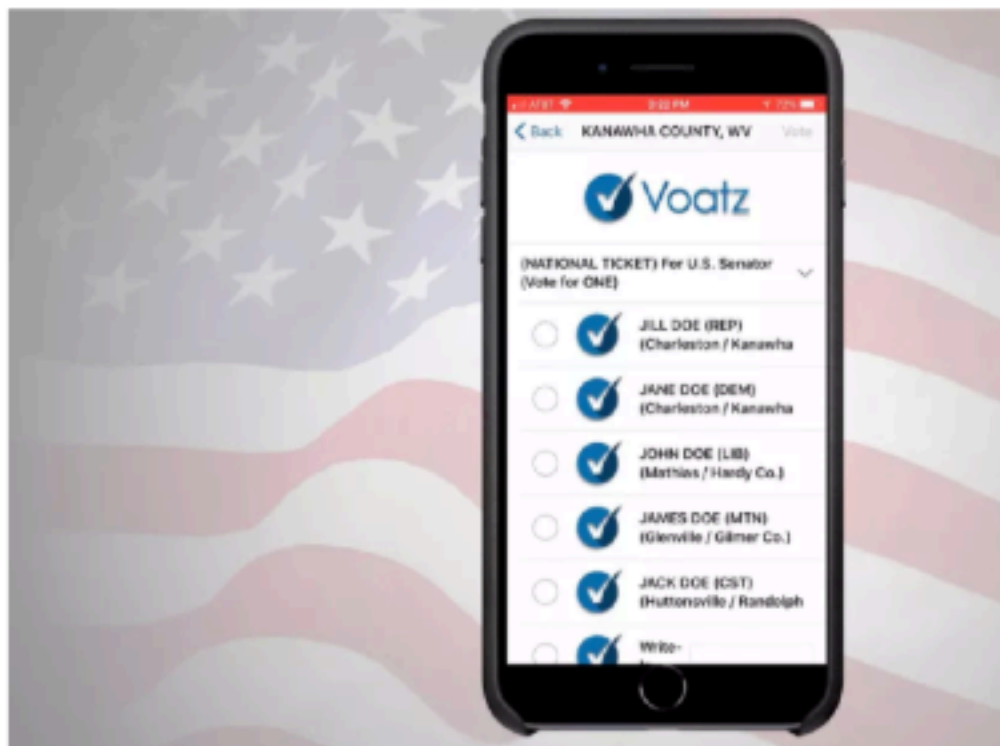
IRS Data Breach Update: More Taxpayers Affected

Last year's IRS data breach is continuing to make headlines as the true scope of its damage becomes clearer. The breach, which the IRS believes took place in February 2015, was first announced in May 2015; at the time, it was thought that more than 100,000 American taxpayers had their personal information compromised. However, in August 2015, the agency revealed the discovery of an additional 220,000 victims. Now, about one year since the initial breach, the IRS is saying that the current total number of victims is topping 700,000 — about seven times more than initial estimates.

Online-voting company pushes to make it harder for researchers to find security flaws

Voatz, an e-voting company, tells the Supreme Court that security research should be done only with permission.

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In a Supreme Court briefing, Voatz argues that security researchers should need a vulnerability.

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The Only Safe Election Is a Low-Tech Election

The Iowa caucus debacle proved that a 21st-century election requires 19th-century technology.



At a Bernie Sanders watch party at the Holiday Inn Des Moines-Airport on Monday, people waited fruitlessly for results. Hillary Swift for The New York Times