MYSPACE DATA BREACH

Back in 2013 Myspace had one of the largest data breaches in the country affecting around 360 million users. The data breach gave hackers some crucial information such as public info, and even emails and passwords. The main motives to this data breach was to gain access to passwords, where hackers are aware of people using one password for most of if not all of their online accounts. The hackers would try and use email and password combos on other sites such as pay pal to try and get some money out of it, or even list the data online for sale. A huge flaw lies in the account verification. It turns out that anybody could have taken over any MySpace account as long as they had the account owners name, date of birth, and username. Most of this information is public information and the 'hacker' can just click on 'doesn't have access to email' button, from there they can gain access to that account and all information in it. Now MySpace has tried implementing new security measures to help out by adding additional 2 step verification and a promise to 'monitor the security and make modifications appropriately'.