

Alert: Arby's Data Breach
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Independence Bank has been notified of a data breach on approximately 335,000 credit and debit cards used at nearly 1,797 Arby's Restaurant Group (ARG) across the nation. The data breach is estimated to have occurred between October 25, 2016 through January 19, 2017.

This data breach involved malicious software installed on payment card systems at hundreds of its restaurant locations nationwide. Arby's said the breach only affected corporate stores. Franchised stores were not impacted. ARG also confirmed that not all of their 1,000 corporate stores were affected. Arby's stated that they have fully contained and eradicated the malware that was on the point-of-sale systems.

Once the thief has this information, duplicate cards can be created to make purchases and if PIN information was intercepted they can use that information to withdraw money at an ATM or receive cash back at certain retailers.

If you have used your card at an Arby's restaurant during this time frame and feel that your account is at risk, it is very important that you pay close attention and monitor your account often. If viewing your account online, through mobile or telephone banking, you can check your balance in real-time. Other options such as paying with cash and lowering daily card limits are also available. If you like to make changes with your Independence Bank VISA Check Card, please contact your **nearest Independence Bank Location** for more information. Whether or not you feel that you have been affected, it's always a good idea to pay attention to your credit and debit card statement.