### Brave vs duckduckgo

Both of these products claim safe browsing that protect your privacy

Brave.com privacy policy

https://brave.com/privacy/browser/

### The good:

- On desktop, we proxy Safe Browsing through Brave's servers to reduce the amount of information sent to Google (for example, we remove your IP address) to protect against Google profiling or tracking you when using Safe Browsing. On iOS, Apple proxies Google Safe Browsing through their own servers.
  - They are limiting as much as possible, the amount of data sent to Google.
- If you sync in brave ie passwords and other data it is encrypted to which only the consumer
  has the key "The data is entirely inaccessible to brave"
  - This seems good!
- Regarding location: "If you use Brave to visit a website that wants to determine your location, you
  will be asked whether you want it to be allowed to know where you are. If you click yes to this
  message, then the website will be sent an approximation of where you are based on your IP
  address. Your IP address will not be stored by Brave, but it may be stored by the website you have
  visited."
  - o I like the idea of only an approximated location if, and only if, you alow it.

## The questionable/downside:

 The Brave browser "automatically uses Google Safe Browsing" to protect the consumer - I thought they were trying to get away from Google. You can turn safe browsing off, but that can leave you open to malicious sites.

# Duckduckgo

They say they do not collect or share personal information.

### The good:

- When you are searching and clicking it automatically redirects to the https as opposed to the httpthey used and modeled firefox code for this.
- They never track your search history thus making you untrackable
  - Eg user agent and ip no cookies either
- Ads are based on your key search words rather than your browsing or purchasing history

### The questionable/downside:

 No history means you have to remember where you went and when if you are trying to find something

- There are more features to allow you to sort of track yourself without anyone else being able to, but these options are not easy to sort out for average consumer.
- Microsoft owned Blng provides the search software used by DuckDyck Go
  - "DuckDuckGo's founder and CEO, Gabriel Weinberg, admitted that they could not block its trackers as per Microsoft's agreement. He further added that the company would be talking with Microsoft about modifying the clauses in the contract to maintain users' privacy and confidentiality."
    - Read more at:

https://economictimes.indiatimes.com/news/new-updates/duckduckgo-faces-backlas h-over-its-privacy-policy-exceptions-heres-why/articleshow/91921745.cms?utm\_sour ce=contentofinterest&utm\_medium=text&utm\_campaign=cppst

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#### OTHER:

- When I clicked the link to go to the site immediately Chrome warned me that my connection was not private. Additionally, the DOE filter would not allow me to go to it - I had to use my phone. This was not the case with Brave.
- They have a partnership with Microsoft so what DOES get shared there?