Data Privacy Laws & Regulations

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What is Personal Data/Information?

- Contact Details: Name, Address, Email address, Phone number, National/State ID #
- Online /Technical Identifiers: Cookie ID, IP address, Location data, RFID tag, MAC address, Pixel tag, Browsing history, App & website usage data
- Special Category data: Race, Political or religious views, Health and biometric data,
 Genetics, Sexual Orientation.
- **IOT data collected**: Data from voice assistant, Electricity use, Laundry use, TV preferences.
- Unencrypted, Encrypted, & Pseudonymized data related to an identifiable living individual

Anonymized vs. Pseudonymized

Information (name)	Anonymized	Pseudonymized
Peter	****	4We8Kd
Annabelle	****	L8Fg447bA
Mark	****	KJDe23
Elizabeth	****	Aq18zRe87
Mark	****	KJDe23
Annabelle	*****	L8Fg447bA

The Europe Union General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) 2018

- Consent: be allowed to give explicit, unambiguous consent before the collection of personal data
- **Data Breach Notification**: organization is required to notify authorities and affected individuals within 72 hours of a data breach event of personal information.
- Rights Given to Individuals:
 - May request access to personal data. May ask how data is used, processed, stored, and transferred. Electronic copy must be provided free of charge.
 - May transfer their data from one organization to another at any time. Data must be in commonly used and machine-readable format.
 - May request that their data be deleted and/or stopped being processed.
 - May request that data be updated, completed, or corrected.

North America

- **HIPAA (US) 1996**: Created national standards to protect sensitive patient health information from being disclosed without the patient's consent or knowledge.
- **CCPA (California) 2018:** Currently the strictest data privacy and digital consumer rights law within US borders. Known as "GDPR-lite." Seeks to:
 - Grant users rights over their data through access, transfer, editing, and deletion requests
 - Give consumers the ability to opt out of certain data-processing practices
 - Establish greater consequences for businesses that fail to adequately protect data
 - Shift accountability for data protection onto businesses that collect and handle user information

Asia

- **Personal Data Protection Bill (India) 2019:** Sets rules for how personal data should be processed and stored, and lists people's rights with respect to their personal information.
 - Gives consumers the right to access, correct, and erase their data.
 - Allows consumers to transfer their data, including any inferences made by businesses based on such data, to other businesses.
 - requires all businesses to make organizational changes to protect data better. I.e privacy-by-design
 - out of India.
 - o the government can require any business to share valuable non-personal data
- Data Privacy Act (Philippines) 2012: Comprehensive law covering data privacy
 - Updated in 2016 to include the correct processes for pseudonymisation and anonymisation of data: how to prepare the data, the types of data allowed to be extracted, testing needed afterwards to ensure data cannot be re-identified without proper credentials.

Future of Data Privacy Laws

- In 2020, data privacy legislation was considered in at least 30 U.S. states. However most of the bills failed to pass.
- International data transfers will remain an area of focus
- Washington Privacy Act 2021 Broad scope of data privacy similar to CCPA

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