

What happened at Orbitz?

Per a release by LifeLock this morning:

Reports from March 20th state that up to 880,000 payment card numbers and related information may have been exposed in a data breach. Orbitz, which is owned by Expedia, apparently had two different data disclosures.

In the first disclosure, a hacker may have accessed customers' personal information for some purchases made on *orbitz.com* between Jan. 1, 2016, and June 22, 2016, according to the news report. The related information includes customers' birthdays, physical addresses, full names, phone numbers, email addresses and payment-card information.

In the second disclosure, customer data from other travel sites that used Orbitz to book travel between Jan. 1, 2016, and Dec. 22, 2016, may have been compromised, according to published reports. One of the affected sites was the American Express site Amextravel.com. American Express said American Express Global Business Travel and the platforms that manage credit card accounts were not impacted by the attack.

Orbitz worked closely with cybersecurity experts and law enforcement to investigate the breach and confirms that the social security numbers for U.S. customers were not exposed in this incident. The company is currently working to notify the thousands of affected customers and plans to offer one year of free credit monitoring and identity protection service.

The Orbitz breach is a reminder that it's good to regularly review your credit cards and bank statements, looking for unfamiliar transactions. If you see a transaction that isn't yours, contact your financial institution immediately.

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