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## **Steam Security Breach**

Potential personal information security breach. Please read carefully

Steam forums were defaced on the evening of Sunday, November 6. Steam began investigating and found that the intrusion goes beyond the Steam forums.

They learned that intruders obtained access to a Steam database in addition to the forums. This database contained information including user names, hashed and salted passwords, game purchases, email addresses, billing addresses and encrypted credit card information. Steam do not have evidence that encrypted credit card numbers or personally identifying information were taken by the intruders, or that the protection on credit card numbers or passwords was cracked. Steam is still investigating.

Steam do not have any evidence of credit card misuse at this time. Nonetheless please watch your credit card activity and statements closely.

Steam only know of a few forum accounts that have been compromised, all forum users will be required to change their passwords the next time they login. If you have used your Steam forum password on other accounts you should change those passwords as well.

Steam do not know of any compromised Steam accounts, so they are not planning to force a change of Steam account passwords (which are separate from forum passwords). However, it wouldn't be a bad idea to change that as well, especially if it is the same as your Steam forum account password.

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