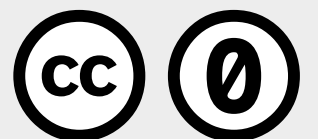


What Is Doxxing & How Can It Affect you?



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Doxxing Meaning

If someone doxes you it means:
They publicly expose identifying information about you that you might not want online, such as you or your family's full names, addresses, places of work, or phone numbers.



Misconception!

A common misconception is that doxxing occurs only as part of a retributive or vengeful act, and is only carried out by individuals against other individuals.



Who Would Dox You?

You may be doxxed by a government-organized non-governmental organization (gongo).

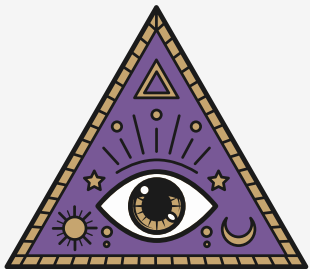
Conversely, an organization you are a part of (such as your **university** or **workplace**) may be doxxed by an individual or an organization.



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You Are Most Likely To Be Doxxed For:

your **Beliefs**



your **Opinions**



your **Identity**



your **Nationality**



your **Social Status**



Forms of Doxxing

BLACKMAIL

Example:

“Give me what I want or your home address will be leaked online”

REVENGE

Example:

“I am leaking your photos because you rejected me romantically”

SILENCING YOU

Example:

“You are voicing political opinions which threaten the status quo, and may inspire dissidence, and you must be put in your place”.

HOLDING POWER OVER YOU

In short, doxxing is a way for someone to hold power over you.

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Doxxing Is A Type of Online Harassment



Women And Doxxing Attacks

Women are far more likely to be affected by doxxing attacks. If you are a woman, you may be on the receiving end of harassment such as stalking, threats of public shaming, physical and sexual violence, or leaking of personal photos and communications.



How Doxxing Is Weaponized In A Gendered Way?

Because you are a woman, doxxing may be weaponized against you in a gendered way. This can include:

1. Threatening to tell your family or partner information about you that you do not want to be disclosed.
2. Leaking private photos of you.
3. Finding your address so that they and others may further threaten you offline.
4. Finding additional ways to contact you and send threatening messages/spam, specifically death threats and threats of sexual violence.
5. Threatening to report you to the authorities for gendered offenses (i.e., messages indicating that you have previously had an abortion)

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For Palestinians: The Biggest Digital Security Threats Are:

The Israeli Occupation

**The Palestinian
Authorities**

**Private Sector
Companies**

**Third Parties, such as
social media platforms or
individuals within your
community**

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