

Preventing Identity Theft Quiz

15 million Americans fall victim to identity theft every year. Are you taking the right precautions to protect your identity? Take this quiz and find out!

1. I receive several offers of pre-approved credit every week. (5 points)
2. I do not shred them before putting them in the trash. (5 points)
3. I carry my Social Security card in my wallet. (10 points)
4. My state driver's license has my Social Security Number (SSN) printed on it and I have not contacted the Department of Motor Vehicles to request a different number. (10 points)
5. I do not have a PO Box or a locked secured mailbox. (5 points)
6. I use an unlocked open box at work or at my home to drop off my outgoing mail. (10 points)
7. I carry my military ID in my wallet at all times. (10 points)
8. I do not shred or tear banking and credit information when I throw it in the trash. (10 points)
9. I provide my SSN whenever asked without asking questions as to how that information will be safeguarded. (10 points)
10. I provide my SSN orally without looking around for who might be listening. (5 points)
11. I am required to use my SSN at work as an employee ID or at college as a student ID number. (5 points)
12. My SSN is printed on my employee badge that I wear at work or in public. Or it is posted on my time card in full view of others, or is on other documents frequently seen by many others in my workplace. (10 points)
13. I have my SSN and/or driver's license number printed on my personal checks. (10 points)
14. I am listed in a "Who's Who" guide. (5 points)
15. I carry my insurance card in my wallet and either my SSN or that of my spouse is the ID number. (10 points)
16. I have not ordered a copy of my credit reports for at least 2 years. (20 points)
17. I do not believe that people would root around in my trash looking for credit or financial information or looking for documents containing my SSN. (10 points)

Total points are 150. (Lower the amount of points the better)

