

# Equifax Data Breach Settlement

In September of 2017, Equifax announced a data breach that exposed the personal information of 147 million people. As part of a settlement, Equifax agreed to spend up to \$425 million to help people affected by the data breach.

## If you were impacted by the breach, you can:



Sign up for **free credit monitoring for up to 10 years** OR get a **cash payment of \$125** for credit monitoring you already have



Get **free identity restoration services for at least 7 years** that you can use if you are the victim of identity theft or fraud

## In addition, you may be eligible for reimbursement and cash payments up to \$20,000 for:



» **Time you spent** protecting your identity or recovering from identity theft, up to 20 hours at \$25 per hour



» **Money you spent** protecting your identity or recovering from identity theft



» **Up to 25% of the cost of Equifax credit or identity monitoring** you bought in the year before the breach

Starting in January 2020, all U.S. consumers will be able to get 6 additional free credit reports per year from Equifax for seven years, regardless of whether they were impacted by the 2017 Equifax data breach. These free credit reports are in addition to the free Equifax credit report consumers are already entitled to under the law.

## WHAT TO DO NEXT



The claims process will start after court approval. Go to [ftc.gov/Equifax](https://ftc.gov/Equifax) to learn more about the settlement and how to claim the benefits described above.