

Device and data security

Protecting your devices and the data they hold is one of the most practical ways to ensure you can enjoy the digital world safely. In essence, device security is about putting a virtual lock on your hardware, while data security focuses on shielding the private information stored within those devices. By taking a few simple steps to secure both, you can prevent unauthorised access to your files, photos, and personal details, giving you peace of mind every time you go online.

It is worth noting that device security isn't just about our computers anymore. Nowadays, we use a wide variety of gadgets that connect to the internet, and each one deserves a bit of care to keep it secure:

-  **Smartphones and Tablets:** These often hold our most personal messages, photos, and even digital wallets.
-  **Laptops and Desktops:** These are frequently used for banking, shopping, and storing important documents.
-  **Smart Home Gadgets:** From voice assistants and smart TVs to security cameras and even kitchen appliances, many modern household items are now connected to the web.
-  **Wearable Tech:** Devices like smartwatches track our health data and locations, making their security just as vital.

If you would like to dive deeper into how to protect your specific devices, the [Be Connected website](#) offers a fantastic range of existing materials. These resources are designed to be easy to follow and are tailored to help you feel more confident with technology. You can explore their helpful guides on the following topics:

- [Apple desktop](#)
- [Apple laptop](#)
- [iPad](#)
- [iPhone](#)
- [Android phone](#)
- [Android tablet](#)
- [Windows desktop](#)
- [Windows laptop](#)