

# 75 Top Open Source Tools for Protecting Your Privacy

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As mobile technology and social networking have become commonplace, so have concerns about privacy. In fact, nearly every day the media covers stories about identity theft, social networking "pranks" gone wrong, companies with shady privacy policies and repressive governments that censor and monitor online activities.

In this environment, protecting your privacy is an absolute necessity.

Fortunately, the open source community has stepped up with a variety of tools designed to protect your personal data. Whether you're an average individual who wants to avoid divulging personal information or you're a journalist, activist or someone else who needs complete online anonymity, these tools can help you keep your private information private.

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