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Thread: [Secure your Blockchain.info Wallet, or be sorry. \(Keep this bumped to help new users\)](#)

?Enlightened - January 7, 2016, 4:24 am

Keep this bumped to alert new users

IF YOU USE BLOCKCHAIN.INFO as your wallet service, secure it now by doing the following:

- Turn off online/browser backups
- Secure your password (10+chars, Special chars, upper+lowercase + numbers)
- Enable Secondary password
- Enable 2auth
- Turn on IP Logging and history

Believe me...My wallet has been hacked on two occasions, once with 20BTC (2013) and once with 3.5BTC (2014). It's a terrible feeling losing money, so take the precautions and don't lose your money.

By doing this, I've stored as much as 85BTC in a wallet for over a week. My wallet is secure, and I have not been hacked since.

Why take these precautions? Proof of the exploit/hackers? Blockchain.info is the most convenient yet most exploited/risky wallet to use for bitcoin, and here is the evidence....

WHY YOU SHOULD LISTEN TO THIS THREAD....

I'm not the only one warning you, here are some news articles and PERSONAL STORIES from forums, even some from HF, of people using Blockchain.info with unsecure wallets and getting hacked.

StackExchange: [Hacked my blockchain.info wallet, stole 760 coins](#)

BitcoinTalk: [Tor+Blockchain wallet hacked? 633 btc loss](#)

CoinSetter: [Over 300 Bitcoins More Swept From Blockchain.info Wallets](#)

Reddit: [my blockchain.info wallet hacked \(strong unique password/2FA\) ~36BTC \(30k \\$\) lost](#)

BitcoinTalk: [63.73 BTC Hacked - Blockchain.info secured by 2FA](#)

BitcoinTalk: [About 20 Bitcoins STOLEN from my Blockchain.info wallet! 5btc reward!](#)

HackForums: [I got stolen 9.8*** BTC](#)

BitcoinTalk: [blockchain wallet hacked - 1 BTC lost!](#)

RonPaulForums: [Do you have a Blockchain.info wallet? Please read this and don't get hacked.](#)

HIV-ISLAND: [Blockchain.info Wallet Hacked](#)

BraveNewCoin: [BlockChain.info Bug Exposes Users Private Keys](#)

BitcoinTalk: [someone want to hack my wallet ??? > blockchain](#)

BitcoinTalk: [blockchain.info wallet hack attempt?](#)

BitcoinTalk: [very sad day...blockchain.info wallet hacked.](#)

BitcoinTalk: [blockchain.info wallet hacked](#)

HackForums: [is my bitcoin wallet getting hacked ?](#)

HackForums: [ALERT: Anyone using blockchain.info](#)

HackForums: [How a Rogue Tor Node Hijacked Blockchain.info Accounts](#)

HackForums: [What the fuck!](#)

BitcoinTalk: [Blockchain.info account hacked while using yubikey....](#)

BitcoinTalk: [Blockchain Wallet Hacked and Bitcoins Stolen](#)

BitcoinTalk: [!!Hacker Stole bitcoins from Blockchain Wallets!!](#)

BitcoinTalk: [Somebody hacked my Bitcoin wallet! >:\(](#)

BitcoinTalk: [My Blockchain wallet just got hacked!! HELP!!!](#)

Forbes: [How Hackers Abused Tor To Rob Blockchain, Steal Bitcoin, Target Private Email And Get Away With It](#)

Finance Magazines: [Multiple blockchain.info wallets hacked, .onion mirror URL set up for Tor users](#)

Stay Safe, From Pure Diamond!

Narrate - January 7, 2016, 4:24 am

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minimalist - January 7, 2016, 4:25 am

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I totally agree with you, though not all people think like us, hence, a lot more people get hacked because of this.

And it is very true, if everyone had a "security over convenience" mindset, this thread would not be needed. People these days are all living in "how can I shortcut" type of mindset instead of doing things the right way.

ProtectNull™ - January 7, 2016, 4:50 am

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?Enlightened - January 7, 2016, 4:57 am

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Yeah, 2FA is always the best.

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This has nothing to do with BTC-E though I definitely do not recommend storing coins in exchanges...that's an even worse idea than leaving your blockchain insecure.

Ellie Is Bae - January 10, 2016, 6:22 am

I use blockchain, but I don't use it for transactions larger than usually \$200. my total transactions is only around \$1000. I have a 10+ character password but no further authentication.

Would you consider I change wallet or just setup proper authentication? Or not bother because I don't deal with massive amounts of BTC?

XMR - January 10, 2016, 8:07 am

How about you just don't use Blockchain and keep your private keys offline and encrypted. Simple and easy, just use Multibit or Electrum if you don't want to wait for Bitcoin Core to download its database.

Hmed - January 10, 2016, 10:08 pm

I am using Multibit but I've had lots of issue sending with it recently

Outlier - January 10, 2016, 10:14 pm

Thanks for this post OP

great information here I've recently transferred all my funds out of blockchain but will probably go back to it

Bay - January 10, 2016, 10:18 pm

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Glad someone agrees, hopefully newbies take this into practice and keep their coins safe.

Omniscient - January 13, 2016, 6:45 pm

Also consider Bitgo for an online wallet. Some really good options to secure the account as well as you download the private key when you create the wallet.

Cyrus - January 13, 2016, 6:49 pm

As Omni said guys, take note/save in safe place the private key of your Blockchain wallet when you create it.

Nice tips for others OP.

B FOR BADASS - January 13, 2016, 7:01 pm

I'm surprised that people use it for big amounts. Thx

Jim Crow - January 14, 2016, 4:23 am

I can also recommend bitgo even though the security delays payments a ton - security comes first

Unbeatengiant - January 14, 2016, 7:10 am

Thank you for the notice going to start being more safe with my wallet

Sahaj - January 14, 2016, 7:38 am

Wow, thanks for the warning man, doing it rn.