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Stanley - March 17, 2026, 11:55 pm

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GitGuardian releases 5th edition of its “State of Secrets Sprawl” report. Leaked secrets have been growing roughly 1.6× faster than the active developer population. Leak rates in AI-assisted code were roughly double the GitHub-wide baseline.

<https://hackernoon.com/gitguardian-reports-an-81percent-surge-of-ai-service-leaks-as-29m-secrets-hit-public-github?source=rss>

shakur123 - March 18, 2026, 11:10 am

GitGuardian just confirmed what everyone suspected: AI is accelerating bad hygiene.

29M secrets + leak rate ~2x baseline in AI-assisted code = speed > discipline. Devs are shipping faster, but leaking keys just as fast.

This isn't an AI problem—it's a process problem at scale.