



We store so much important data on our devices. Whether they're sensitive documents, sentimental photos or work we don't want to lose, backing up our data often is the easiest way to make sure we never lose the files that matter most to us.

Physics might disagree with us, but when it comes to the security of your data, backing up is the only way to move forward.

### CANADIANS ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THEIR DATA

43%

are worried about personal data being erased, altered or lost

35%

are concerned their personal data will be held for ransom







# BUT WE DON'T ALWAYS DO OUR BEST TO PROTECT IT.

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23%

only back up their files **1-2 times** per year

16%

back up their files every few months



never back up their files, ever





ONLY 8%

OF CANADIANS BACK
UP THEIR FILES
WEEKLY OR MORE







YOU SHOULD BACK UP YOUR FILES AT LEAST THIS OFTEN!

## BACKING UP YOUR DATA KEEPS IT SAFE IN CASE



YOUR DEVICE MALFUNCTIONS OR BREAKS



YOU'RE A TARGET OF MALWARE OR RANSOMWARE



YOU EXPERIENCE A SYSTEM FAILURE

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YOU'RE HACKED OR DDOS ATTACKED



ANY OTHER DISASTER HAPPENS

## CHOOSE A STORAGE METHOD THAT HAS YOUR BACK

(AND THEN BACK THAT UP WITH ANOTHER ONE)





### EXTERNAL HARD DRIVES

- can hold large files like videos and software
- great for backing up an entire device

### CDS, DVDS OR USB STICKS

- convenient to carry around
- better for backing
  up specific files than
  an entire device

### VIRTUAL OR CLOUD SERVERS

- may be included with your device
- can be accessed from anywhere, anytime

54 %

of Canadians store their data on an external hard drive

of Canadians use a virtual server or the cloud

**SURE TO** THIS UP IN YOUR **BRAIN:** 



- BACK UP YOUR DATA **AT LEAST ONCE A WEEK** 



**SET YOUR DEVICES TO BACK UP AUTOMATICALLY** 



**BACK UP ON MORE THAN ONE STORAGE DEVICE** 

GET MORE TIPS TO PROTECT YOUR DATA AND YOUR DEVICES AT





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### SOURCE

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