

A hacker says they breached TikTok and accessed personal data, including PayPal information, from more than 1 billion users. TikTok says a breach never happened.

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- **A hacker claimed to have stolen data from billions of TikTok users, including payment information.**

- **TikTok says it has seen no evidence of a security breach and that the data was taken from third-party sources.**
- **The alleged breach comes during a period of scrutiny for TikTok as it faces accusations of spying on users for the Chinese government.**

A hacker has claimed to have obtained user data from TikTok, but the company says it has found no evidence of a data breach.

The hacker, who goes by the name AgainstTheWest, says they gained access to the personal information of more than 1 billion TikTok users, including users' PayPal information.

In a direct message to Insider, BeeHive Cybersecurity, a cybersecurity research firm, said they believe AgainstTheWest's hacking claims are "trustworthy" and that the hacker has garnered respect in the cybersecurity community.

However, some have pushed back on the claim that the breach is legitimate.

A moderator on the breach detection platform, [BreachForums](#), where AgainstTheWest initially revealed the breach, said AgainstTheWest has a "long history of lying about breaches and other things."

TikTok appears to agree that claims of a data breach are falsified.