

《500万Gmail账号密码曝光 谷歌否认邮箱被黑》

Millions of Gmail users are being advised to change their passwords after a database with usernames and passwords was hacked and exposed on an internet site.

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Hackers revealed nearly 5 million Gmail account details and passwords on Bitcoin Security – a popular Russian website devoted to cryptocurrency.

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The leak became known after a user posted a link to the log-in credentials on Reddit frequented by hackers, professional and aspiring.

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But the text file was published on Bitcoin on Tuesday night by a user called tvskit according to C News, a Russian news outlet.

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The person who leaked the details said the account holders were English, Russian, and Spanish and 60 percent of accounts were active.

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The passwords not only give access to Gmail, but other Google services such as Drive and the mobile payment system Google Wallet.

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Svetlana Anurova, a Google representative said Google is aware of the security breach and has advised users to change passwords.

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They also advise users to enable a two-step verification, a security measure where users are required to provide a passcode sent to their mobile devices before any changes can be made to their account.

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A Google spokesman confirmed to The Next Web that many of the passwords in question were likely taken from a website other than Google.

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‘The security of our users’ information is a top priority for us,’ the company told The Next Web.

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‘We have no evidence that our systems have been compromised, but whenever we become aware that accounts

may have been, we take steps to help those users secure their accounts.'

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The hacker has not been found.

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But hackers from Russia and Eastern Europe have been involved in a number of recent high-profile security lapses.

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The Gmail leak comes soon after two other major security breaches leaked on the same Bitcoin forum, which targeted Russian email service provider Mail.ru and search engine Yandex.

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Those two breaches affected nearly six million Internet users.

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