

# TAX DOCUMENTS ARE SUSCEPTIBLE TO INFORMATION FRAUD & IDENTITY THEFT

**90%**  
of  
**TAXPAYERS ARE CONFIDENT**  
**THEY ARE NOT AT RISK** when  
filing with a certified tax preparer



**YET**  
**44%**  
say they **DON'T KNOW HOW**  
**THEIR DOCUMENTS ARE**  
**STORED OR DESTROYED**

**Tax payers aren't taking the right precautions.**



**54%** of  
tax payers believe **tax documents are more susceptible to identity theft**  
(Compared to mortgage or loan documents)



**OVER 40%** of  
taxpayers admit to **storing tax paperwork in a box, desk drawer or unlocked cabinet**



**21%** of **MEN** | **18%** of **WOMEN**  
admit they **do not shred tax paperwork** before throwing them away



**UP TO 48%** of  
tax payers **do not know how long they are supposed to keep tax documents**

## WHAT'S THE RISK?



During tax season **38%** of tax payers **worry they could become a victim of tax fraud or tax identity theft**



**1 in 4** of taxpayers know someone who has been **a victim of tax fraud or tax identity theft**

**ALMOST 10%**

say they have been **a victim of tax fraud or tax identity theft**

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