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Ranked: The World's Top 100 Worst Passwords

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During the first six months of 2019, [more than 4 billion records](#) were exposed by data breaches. That's a shocking statistic that's made even more so when you realize that passwords were included in droves. On December 4, a security researcher discovered a treasure trove of more than [a billion plain-text passwords](#) in an unsecured online database.

Now researchers at [NordPass](#), a password manager from the people who are behind the [NordVPN app](#), have set about ranking the most used and least secure passwords. Armed with a database of some 500 million passwords leaked as a

result of data breaches in 2019, NordPass researchers were able to rank them in order of usage.

Password hygiene is a top security priority

The top three most commonly used passwords, notching up 6,348,704 appearances between them, are shockingly insecure, weak, and totally predictable. However, there are also [many unexpected passwords on the list](#) and that's the worrying thing. Well, worrying if you happen to be using any of them, that is. If a password you use is on the list, then your security posture has just been weakened. Hackers can brute-force their way into accounts by throwing known common passwords, as well as dictionary words, at them. If you use the same password across multiple sites and services, then your security posture is so bad you urgently need to see a cyber-chiropractor. As I reported on December 6, Microsoft analyzed a database of 3 billion leaked credentials from security breaches and found that [more than 44 million Microsoft accounts](#) were using passwords that had already been compromised elsewhere. Password reuse is a sure-fire way to get yourself, your accounts and your data into trouble, especially if you are using one of the world's worst passwords.

[Improving your password hygiene](#) is the number one thing you can do to strengthen your security. Here's how to quickly [find out if any of your passwords have been compromised](#).

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You can find the full listing of the world's worst passwords, together with usage statistics, in [the NordPass report](#). Here are just the top 100 worst passwords. If any of them look at all familiar, go and change the respective account login credentials immediately.

1. 12345
2. 123456
3. 123456789
4. test1

5. password
6. 12345678
7. zinch
8. g_czechout
9. asdf
10. qwerty
11. 1234567890
12. 1234567
13. Aa123456.
14. iloveyou
15. 1234
16. abc123
17. 111111
18. 123123
19. dubsmash
20. test
21. princess
22. qwertyuiop
23. sunshine
24. BvtTest123
25. 11111
26. ashley
27. 00000
28. 000000
29. password1
30. monkey
31. livetest
32. 55555
33. soccer
34. charlie
35. asdfghjkl
36. 654321
37. family
38. michael
39. 123321

40. football
41. baseball
42. q1w2e3r4t5y6
43. nicole
44. jessica
45. purple
46. shadow
47. hannah
48. chocolate
49. michelle
50. daniel
51. maggie
52. qwerty123
53. hello
54. 112233
55. jordan
56. tigger
57. 666666
58. 987654321
59. superman
60. 12345678910
61. summer
62. 1q2w3e4r5t
63. fitness
64. bailey
65. zxcvbnm
66. fuckyou
67. 121212
68. buster
69. butterfly
70. dragon
71. jennifer
72. amanda
73. justin
74. cookie

75. basketball
76. shopping
77. pepper
78. joshua
79. hunter
80. ginger
81. matthew
82. abcd1234
83. taylor
84. samantha
85. whatever
86. andrew
87. 1qaz2wsx3edc
88. thomas
89. jasmine
90. animoto
91. madison
92. 0987654321
93. 54321
94. flower
95. Password
96. maria
97. babygirl
98. lovely
99. sophie
100. Chegg123

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