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New Zealand Privacy Week

Robust cybersecurity and privacy are critical in today's increasingly digital world, particularly in New Zealand, where data breaches and cyber attacks have become more frequent. As Privacy Week is being observed, it is essential to highlight the importance of safeguarding personal information and ensuring that individuals' privacy rights are protected.

New Zealand experienced its largest known data breach in 2023, which affected the equivalent of 20 percent of the population.



For the first time the Office of the Privacy Commissioner has recorded “malicious actors” as the leading cause of New Zealand's privacy breaches.



The Office of the Privacy Commissioner has reported an increase of reported privacy breaches in 2023.



The NZ Human Rights Review Tribunal can charge an organisation from \$10,000 to \$50,000+ per privacy breach.

