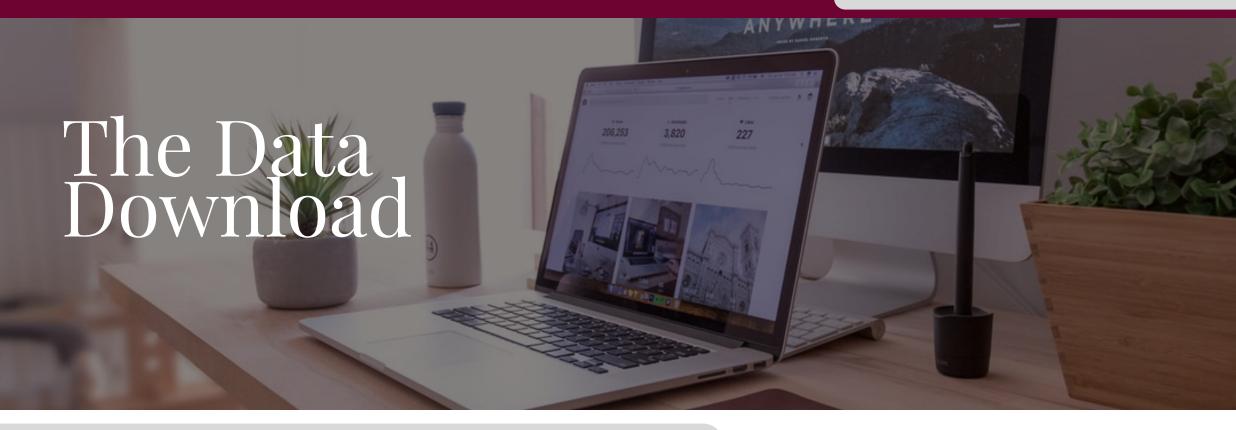
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### What's New

Let's talk thumb drives. These small devices are connected via USB to a computer and have lots of names: flash drive, solid state drive (SSD), USB drive/stick, jump drive or thumb drive. The thumb drives are reliable, easy to use and you can't beat the low prices! The larger thumb drives can be used for backups, storing pictures/videos and sharing data. Thumb drives are a faster, more efficient option vs. the DVD/CD drives, which are phasing out.

### **BE AWARE**

We are seeing a surge of infected e-mails. Please be on high alert opening any e-mails. They usually have an attachment and/or a link to a webpage. When in doubt, double check with the sender to verify that they sent you the e-mail. If you open an infected e-mail attachment, shut down your machine immediately and contact us.

# IN THE KNOW

Being Password Safe

Having a strong password for your sensitive information is very important. Make sure that your password is complex, not related to your username or e-mail, and include at least 14 upper and lowercase letters, numbers and characters. Lots of sites will have suggested, complex passwords for your use, but it is ok to create your own safe password.

Having a strong password can prevent unauthorized access to your electronic accounts and devices. The more complex your password is, the more security it provides for your account.



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