



# Be cybersafe this holiday season

Americans expect to do more than half of their 2019 holiday shopping online. According to the [2019 Deloitte holiday retail survey](#), some 59% of this season's holiday spending will be done via the Internet.

If you're planning to be part of that growing group of online shoppers, Exeter's Information Security team has some tips to help you stay safe this holiday season.



Check your credit and debit cards statements routinely to verify all activity



Protect your credit and debit cards numbers from third-parties



Be sure to use reputable third-party payment vendors like Venmo, Google Wallet, and Paypal



Use trusted vendors and their apps, rather than a link



Watch out for new or unfamiliar retailers that offer deals that are "too good to be true"



Look for https:// (not http) in the address bar before using your credit card online



Keep your anti-virus/malware/firewall software up-to-date

*Be cybersafe this holiday season, and happy shopping!*