

An Overview of State and Federal Data Privacy Legislation

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Introduction

As vehicles are equipped with more technological features that collect, gather, and disseminate personal data, there are calls for an increase in the protection of

that data. As a result, several states have taken the lead by implementing legislation to regulate personal data, including the personal data generated from the use and operation of vehicles. However, the scope of existing legislation is neither uniform nor

comprehensive with respect to the issues pertinent to the collection, storage, and dissemination of data obtained actively and passively from vehicles.

Common Data Protection Rights and Duties Found in Legislation

- Right to Deletion
- · Right to Correct
- · Right to Opt-out
- Right to Access
- Duty of Transparency

and regulators)

· Duty of Data Minimization

Implications for Future Directions

- Clarification is needed as to who owns the data generated from personal vehicles
- Lack of uniformity across states makes understanding compliance requirements difficult
- More research is needed into what the impact of the protection measures are for consumers and the industry (manufacturers, operators, third-parties.





Figure 2: State-level comprehensive data privacy legislation map

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