

# The RFID Hacking Underground

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The Hacking Underground: why microchipping makes you a criminal's dream

They can steal your smartcard, lift your passport, jack your car, even clone the chip in your arm. And you won't feel a thing. Five tales from the RFID-hacking underground.

'RFID chips are everywhere - companies and labs use them as access keys, Prius owners use them to start their cars, and retail giants like Wal-Mart have deployed them as inventory tracking devices. Drug manufacturers like Pfizer rely on chips to track pharmaceuticals. The tags are also about to get a lot more personal: Next-gen US passports and credit cards will contain RFIDs, and the medical industry is exploring the use of implantable chips to manage patients. According to the RFID market analysis firm IDTechEx, the push for digital inventory tracking and personal ID systems will expand the current annual market for RFIDs from \$2.7 billion to as much as \$26 billion by 2016.'

Exactly as David Icke predicted a decade ago.

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