

**Subjects:** Data Access

**Occupation:** Manager

**Data type:** Private

## How do I protect the private data that I collect?

A public service department processed the personal data of resident families to pay for their family allowances.

This sensitive data was transmitted to the external auditors for verification. To do this, the data was burned onto a CD.

During transmission, the CD was lost.

A letter of apology was sent by the head of state to all citizens.

The British government lost the data of 25 million people in 2007.

### Recommendations

The controller of the data file is responsible for the security of the data he processes, and must ensure that the subcontractor complies with this processing. The subcontractor accepts this delegated responsibility. He must agree to transmit very little information to the subcontractors and to take special measures to avoid loss particularly through the encryption techniques during the transfer.

### Basic principles

Security Data.

### Resources

<http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/7104945.stm>