

# HOW STATES SHARE DMV DATA WITH ICE AND WHAT WE CAN DO



Policing including immigration enforcement is going high tech. States and private companies acquire and collect more and more data about all of us. ICE views DMV data as a major source of information for conducting arrests and raids. Here are three major ways that ICE obtains personal data from state motor vehicle license and registration departments (herein "DMV").

## STATES GIVE ICE ACCESS TO DMV DATABASES

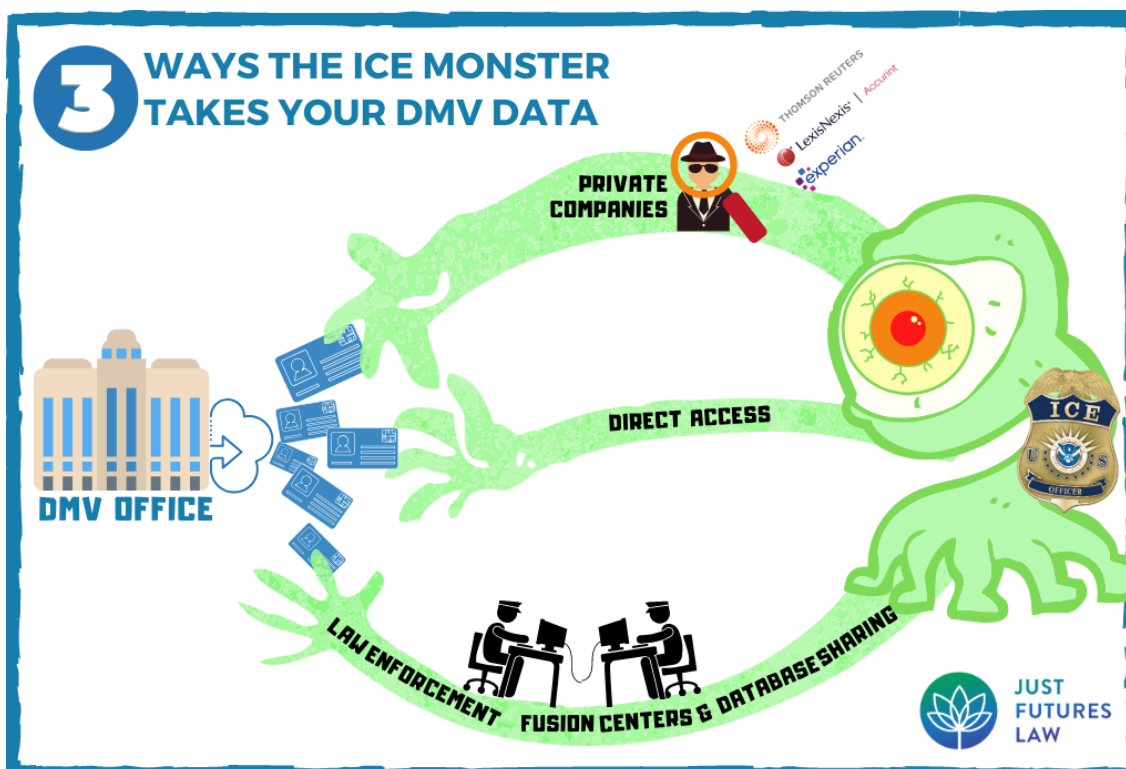
Many states share information from their DMV database directly with ICE. States may grant ICE direct access to the DMV database, share DMV data in bulk, or respond to ICE case-by-case requests.

## STATES SELL PERSONAL DATA TO PRIVATE COMPANIES

ICE obtains DMV data through a tech company workaround. State governments regularly sell DMV data to private companies for commercial purposes. Some of these companies, such as LexisNexis and Thomson Reuters, then turn around and sell this data to ICE.

## STATES SHARE DMV DATA WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT DATA SYSTEMS

States voluntarily share DMV data with national, regional, and state law enforcement databases to which ICE has access. Check out our full length report for a list of these data systems including a deeper dive into NLETS and fusion centers.



## WHAT WE CAN DO

If we want to protect our communities, we must protect our personal information in these databases.

### DEMAND STATE DMV OFFICES STOP SHARING DATA WITH ICE.

Immigrant and privacy rights groups have a successful track record of organizing to limit local and federal police data sharing and collaboration. Localities should consider similar laws for DMV data, utility reports, and criminal justice data systems.

### STOP SURVEILLANCE CAPITALISM!

Our data should not be for sale. Organized communities have moved cities and states to consider and pass data privacy laws to limit corporate data collection. States should consider limiting the sale of DMV data to corporations that profit from our information.

### DEMAND STATES LIMIT DMV DATA SHARING THROUGH NATIONAL AND LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT DATA SYSTEMS

and place restrictions on the use of DMV data by other states and law enforcement agencies.

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