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With the explosion of the Internet of Things, consumers have access to everything from smartphones to smart fridges. These interconnected devices may make life more convenient—but they may also leave users more vulnerable to security issues.

As new smart technologies enable data to move more freely across networks and devices, users must be equally smart about how they defend their data against hackers. Below, 11 Forbes Technology Council members share their top IoT cybersecurity tips for everyday consumers. Follow their advice to ensure you are keeping your devices—and yourself—as protected as possible.

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