



Digital Data Evidence Source Checklist *

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SOURCE	TYPES	DIGITAL INFORMATION
Computers	Desktop, Tower, Laptop, Handheld, Work station, Mini (AS400), Mainframe, Server	Text, Tables, Audio, Images, Logs, Software, E-mail, & much more information
Networks	LAN, Client-server, Master-slave, Thin client, Intranet, Internet	User identification, Logs, E-mail, Files, Software
Printers	Stand-alone & Combination — Laser, Inkjet, Dot matrix, & Thermal	Copy of printed files
Scanners	Flat-bed, Handheld	Stored data that has been scanned
Electronic Storage Media	Hard, Zip, Jaz, & thumb drives; Floppy, optical, CD, & DVD disks; Flash cards; Tapes	Files
Personal Data Assistants	(Some PDAs also serve as phone)	Name, Phone numbers, Addresses, Financial & much more information
Compact Disk Duplicators & Labelers	Duplicate & label copied compact disks	Stored data from copied compact disks
Copiers	Stand-alone & Combination	Phone numbers
Facsimile Machines	Stand-alone & Combination	Stored faxes, Activity logs, Phone numbers
Telephone Equipment	Wireless & Cordless phones, VoIP, Answering machines, Caller ID devices, & Electronic paging devices (Some phones also serve as PDA)	Phone numbers, Voice mail access, Names, Addresses, PIN numbers, Debit & credit card numbers, Financial transactions, Dates & times, Voice & text messages, On-screen images
2-way Radios	Stand-alone & Combination	Phone numbers, Names, & Logs
Digital Cameras	Some digital cameras can record short movies	Video pictures & recordings & Audio recordings
Camcorders	VHS & Digital (some camcorders can also take digital pictures)	Video pictures & recordings & Audio recordings
Audio Recorders	Tape & digital	Conversations & Voice identification
Security Systems	Local, Monitored, & Networked	Users' names, Times, Dates, Images, Video pictures & recordings & Audio recordings
ID Card Printers	Printers of graphics & information onto plastic card	Stored ID card holders
Smart Cards & Magnetic Stripe Cards	Credit cards, Hotel room keys, Cards with brown or black magnetic strip across card	Embedded information
Global Positioning Systems	Handheld & Built-in	Routes, Locations, Timelines, Maps
Skimmers & Parasites	Illegal devices	Credit card numbers, Victim identification information, CVC & CVV numbers
Electronic Entertainment Devices	PlayStation, Xbox, & MP3 devices	Internet access information; E-mail; & Text, audio, image, & video files
Vehicle Computer Devices	Many versions	Stored data, Internet & telephone activity, E-mail, Routes, Locations, & Timelines
Home Electronic Devices	Interactive television guides & Smart kitchen appliances	Internet access information; E-mail; & Text, audio, image, & video files

* Since technology evolves so rapidly, this list may not include all sources of digital data. If in doubt about a source, contact a digital forensics expert for assistance.

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