

# Some Facebook Users are Receiving \$397 Checks Over Data Privacy Violations—And These Tech Companies Could be Next

“If you’ve ever been tagged in a photo online, you might have some cash coming your way and soon. Earlier this month, more than 1.4 million long- and short-term residents of Illinois started receiving checks for up to \$397, as compensation for a \$650 million class action lawsuit settled against Facebook,” reports Megan Sauer in CNBC.

“According to plaintiffs, the social media platform illegally used facial recognition data gathered without consent to prompt users to tag their friends in photos. Experts say that’s only the beginning: More checks from privacy lawsuits are likely on the horizon. Google Photos and Shutterfly incurred similar class action lawsuits in Illinois.”

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