Subject: TikTok collecting biometric data Posted by Strum Drum on Sun, 06 Jun 2021 13:42:41 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

In case you haven't heard about it, TikTok quietly gave itself permission to collect biometric data, including voiceprints and faceprints from its users. I don't think it's the hit the popularity of YouTube, but the video-sharing site it isn't far behind.

https://techcrunch.com/2021/06/03/tiktok-just-gave-itself-permission-to-collect-biometric-data-on-u -s-users-including-faceprints-and-voiceprints/

Subject: Re: TikTok collecting biometric data Posted by gofar99 on Mon, 07 Jun 2021 02:36:01 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Hi, are you really surprised? :?

Subject: Re: TikTok collecting biometric data Posted by Zart on Sat, 12 Jun 2021 13:35:27 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

I wonder what TikTok users think about that and how much they care about it. It's an important thing to safeguard personal data, but people tend to focus on the fun of things even when something doesn't seem right.

Subject: Re: TikTok collecting biometric data Posted by Spotifier on Fri, 12 Nov 2021 16:11:04 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Almost all applications are like that, but people don't seem to care about giving away their data. There's a danger with TikTok being so famous to the point that some people believe the fake news they'd watch there.

Subject: Re: TikTok collecting biometric data Posted by LoveJB on Fri, 12 Nov 2021 17:44:49 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Wait, what? Is that even legal? I am guessing that they have that notice somewhere in the "small print". I don't use it yet, haven't quite fallen prey yet. I'm not sure I will now.

Subject: Re: TikTok collecting biometric data

LoveJB wrote on Fri, 12 November 2021 11:44Wait, what? Is that even legal? I doubt very seriously that this activity is even on any "list of crimes". It should be though, and it should be illegal in regards to your voice and likeness. If someone cannot take a brand logo, for instance, and use it for their own purpose without the permission of the brand owner then no one should be able to take my likeness and use it without my permission. My face is my "logo" for the "brand" that is me. You can't just steal that and make money from it.

From the article:

We may collect biometric identifiers and biometric information as defined under US laws, such as faceprints and voiceprints, from your User Content. Where required by law, we will seek any required permissions from you prior to any such collection.

You shouldn't grant them permission if you don't get paid from it.

Subject: Re: TikTok collecting biometric data Posted by Rusty on Sat, 13 Nov 2021 22:56:50 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Figure that US Laws are written to place the benefits to the corporate end rather than the publics. Some states are currently re-writing child labor laws. For the benefit of the labor shortage. People are quitting their lousy jobs because of lousy pay and lousy benefits. So legislatures are compromising youth for the markets lack of decency.

Subject: Re: TikTok collecting biometric data Posted by Kingfish on Tue, 16 Nov 2021 13:14:50 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

A coal mine in Pennsylvania in 1911.

Now imagine all of them in McDonalds uniforms and you have the 21st century version of the same thing.

I've always been a huge fan of a good work ethic, but we have to let children be children.

File Attachments
1) kids.jpeg, downloaded 323 times

Subject: Re: TikTok collecting biometric data Posted by Rusty on Tue, 16 Nov 2021 18:46:24 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Hey Kingfish. Child labor deregulation is a historical dicey Libertarian platform. In the past and now the Libertarian concept of personal freedoms and commerce are rooted in micro-economics. But taking small scale economics and applying them to macro economics causes a misunderstanding of what the purpose of a sovereign governments capabilities are. And the relationship of government and private enterprise. It's platform on child labor has been along the lines of a child being in the care of parents should not have to be compelled by govt. interference to the potential of keeping a family financially solvent when the markets can't provide enough income through adult participation alone. Like a 3rd world economy for example.

But in a developed society like ours. When we have been economically buffeted by upheaval in the market place by nature and chronic recession, stagnant wages, high cost of living now being made higher through inflation from turmoil in our supply side economics. Should the same rationalization be applied? Is this a slippery slope? It seems a society that has such a disparity between the top tier and the working class living standards. That degrading a law that at it's basic end is to keep young people unburdened from the trials and tribulations of making a living. Is a cop out for not making the market place more fair and equitable to begin with.

We can and should do better. For decency sake. Including denying Tik/Tok, Facebook and all the others using the public private data as a means to make some money off of us unwittingly. Which is very creepy.

Subject: Re: TikTok collecting biometric data Posted by Kingfish on Mon, 06 Dec 2021 02:05:03 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Hey Rusty. You have 666 messages. Please say something. LOL

That was a good synopsis and I think, financially, America is backsliding to the days represented in that picture. The reasons we're back there are vastly different and are hinged largely on the greed of corporate entities. By and large, they are the ones causing the divide between rich and poor to become wider.

Do our kids have to work in coal mines? No. They can make money online which is a lot easier physically, and healthier. I think they should if they want to, but I don't think they should if they have to. It's still forced labor at that point.

Subject: Re: TikTok collecting biometric data Posted by Rusty on Mon, 06 Dec 2021 15:55:39 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message Thanks Kingfish. I figure I'd better add another number to my total now to disassociate myself if possible from the number of the beast. Satan! Any how. There really isn't any need for changing the child labor laws. It's just our political theater doing what it does best. Creating a mockery of civil society. The history of capitalism is full of examples that show it's subjecting working people including children to unjust conditions and compensation to the toil they give. We countered that with unions to uplift the disparity. But unfortunately, that has been eroded today. One of my favorite economists has a wonderful idea to help with that problem. Democratize the workplace. Replace the board of directors with workers and give them an equal vote for how the workplace is organized.

It would be nice if that kind of notion could be discussed by our elected officials. Maybe we have to insist upon that with our vote.