

Take the Password Test ^[1]

With the help of a [password strength checker](#) ^[2], you can learn the possible length of time it might take a cybercriminal to crack the password, from a few seconds to beyond a thousand trillion years.

Remember

Only enter passwords that are *similar* to the ones you use. Do not enter actual passwords into the checker.

What does it mean to crack a password?

According to Techopedia, password cracking is “usually accomplished by recovering passwords from data stored in, or transported from, a computer system. Password cracking is done by either repeatedly guessing the password, usually through a computer algorithm in which the computer tries numerous combinations until the password is successfully discovered.”

More Information

- [Do You Use Any of These Passwords?](#) ^[3]
- [Top 10 Most Entertaining Passwords](#) ^[4] (video)
- [Five Reasons to Avoid Password Reuse](#) ^[5]

Groups audience:

Office of Information Security

Sub Title:

Are your passwords strong enough to withstand an attempted compromise?

Source URL: <https://www.cu.edu/security/take-password-test>

Links

[1] <https://www.cu.edu/security/take-password-test> [2] <https://www.security.org/how-secure-is-my-password/> [3] <https://www.cu.edu/security/do-you-use-any-these-passwords> [4] <https://youtu.be/JluLqCCUeAI> [5] <https://expertinsights.com/insights/5-reasons-you-should-never-reuse-passwords/>