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## **New Credit Card Skimmers Are Virtually Undetectable When Stealing Your Credit Card Info**

Thieves have been stealing credit and debit card information with the help of skimmers for years. Now, there is a scarier, almost undetectable version of the skimmer that you need to know about.

Shimmers are much smaller versions of a skimmer that fit easily inside an ATM or POS card reader. They are embedded with a microchip and flash storage, which allows them to steal your cards' data, including the PIN. This data is extracted at a later time when the thief returns and inserts a specially designed card that downloads the information.

The shimmer is super easy for the thief to install and is so thin, you won't be able to tell that it's inside the card reader. It also won't block the normal usage of your card.

Because these new devices are so small, they won't be limited to gas stations and ATMs. You can expect to see them popping up at grocery stores and retail locations, especially ones that offer self-checkout.