Update: Meltdown and Spectre

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In an article released earlier this week, we highlighted the recent Meltown and Spectre threats. Much news has circulated in the last two days as security updates have been released, including information regarding possible performance issues caused by some of the security patches.

Intel has provided the following update that summarizes the issues:

Intel offers security issue update

Microsoft has provided similar information and guidance:

Understanding spectre and meltdown on windows systems

Bottom line: continue to monitor security information sources for the latest information on patches and updates so that you and your IT support can make informed decisions about when and how to best patch your systems. As always, our Dean Dorton Technology team stands ready to assist you.