FROM THE WORKPLACE TO ICE
STOP THE AI SURVEILLANCE PIPELINE NOW!

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Resource Roundup

As the AI Surveillance Pipeline grows, communities face an interconnected assault: ICE weaponizing data for deportation raids, bosses deploying surveillance to slash wages and job security, landlords using AI to jack up rents, and corporations raising prices through algorithmic manipulation. These aren't separate issues; they're one coordinated system of extraction and control. We can push back! We can *Stop the AI Surveillance Pipeline Now!*

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Introduction

We stand on the shoulders of giants. The following are resources we've compiled from many different organizations and individuals whose pathbreaking work has inspired us. The goal of this Resource Round-Up is to help connect you with information that may be of use as you consider steps you can take to *Stop the AI Surveillance Pipeline* and protect your community. Take, change, or leave them based on your community's needs. Above all, **be bold.** Our nation's weak data privacy laws have become a boon for authoritarianism supercharged by surveillance tech, putting us all at risk. The stakes are clear, and the time to act is now.

This is intended as a "living document" and will be updated periodically. If you have additional resources, ideas, or suggestions for improvements, please email: info@powerswitchaction.org.

Calls to Action

It's time to turn up the pressure to end mass surveillance. Interested in getting involved? Here are some potential things you can do:

- Check out Mijente's No Tech for ICE campaign and sign up for newsletter
- Share this video from Just Futures Law, *Eyes on Tech: What is Facial Recognition?* Talk about it!
- Join Athena, an alliance of people joining together to stop Amazon's growing, powerful grip over our society and economy
- Sign up for the newsletter of Media Justice, an organization that builds power to challenge how corporations and governments use media and technology to shape our collective future.

Reports/Publications

Resources with a (*) contain actionable state and local policy ideas
to Stop the AI Surveillance Pipeline Now!

On Workplace Surveillance
When 'Bossware' Manages Workers: A Policy Agenda to Stop Digital Surveillance and Automated Decision-System Abuses. National Employment Law Project, July 2025. (*)

The 'Privacy' Trap: How 'Privacy-Preserving' AI Techniques Mask the New Worker Surveillance and Datafication. Data & Society, PowerSwitch Action and CoWorker, Oct. 2025. (*)

Pain Points: Data on Work Intensity, Monitoring, and Health at Amazon Warehouses. Center for Urban and Economic Development, University of Illinois Chicago, Oct. 25, 2023.

Tracked & Targeted: Navigating Worker Surveillance at Amazon. Our Data Bodies, 2023.

On Surveillance Pricing, Surveillance Wages, and Algorithmic Rent-Setting

Prohibiting Surveillance Prices and Wages. AI Now Institute et al.,[1] Feb. 2025. (*)

How artificial intelligence uncouples hard work from fair wages through 'surveillance pay' practices —and how to fix it. Washington Center for Equitable Growth, Aug. 2025. (*)

Uber for Nursing: How an AI-Powered Gig Model Is Threatening Health Care. Roosevelt Institute, Dec. 2024. (*)

Uber's Inequality Machine: Data on How AI-Driven Pay is Harming Workers and What We Can Do to Push Back. PowerSwitch Action and Gig Workers Rising, June 2025. (*)

Inside Kroger's Secret Shopper Profiles: Why You May Be Paying More Than Your Neighbors. Consumer Reports, May 2025.

A New Culprit in the Housing Crisis: Rent-Setting Software Algorithms. Local Progress & American Economic Liberties Project, Feb. 2024. (*)

On Worker Voice in Workplace Tech Development

Take the Mic: How Workplace Voice Shapes Workplace Technology. TechEquity, Jul. 2025. (*)

"*Democratically Deploying AI Means Let Labor Lead*," in *Restoring Economic Democracy: Progressive Ideas for Stability and Prosperity.* Roosevelt Institute, Apr. 2025. (*)

On Surveillance & Deportation / Detention Tech

Automating Deportation: The Artificial Intelligence Behind the Department of Homeland Security's Immigration Enforcement Regime. Just Futures Law and Mijente, Jun. 2024.

The Data Broker to Deportation Pipeline: How Thomson Reuters & LexisNexis Share Utility & Commercial Data with ICE. Just Futures Law and Mijente. (*)

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[1] A complete list of the report's co-authors are: AI Now Institute; American Economic Liberties Project; Commonwealth; Coworker; EPIC - Electronic Privacy Information Center; Future of Workers Initiative; Groundwork Collaborative; National Employment Law Project; Open Markets Institute; S.T.O.P. - Surveillance Technology Oversight Project; State Innovation Exchange; TechEquity; Towards Justice; Veena Dubal, Professor of Law, University of California, Irvine; and Zephyr Teachout, Professor of Law, Fordham Law School

American Dragnet: _Data-Driven Deportation in the 21st Century._ Georgetown Law Center on Privacy & Technology, May 2022 (updated May 2025). (*)

Big Ugly Bill Pours Billions Into Border & Surveillance Tech. Just Futures Law, Jul. 2025.

DHS First 100 Days of Trump and Musk. Mijente and Just Futures Law, April 2025.

On Fighting Surveillance Tech in Your City, "Predictive" Policing, and Fusion Centers

Seeing Is Misbelieving: _How Surveillance Technology Distorts Crime Statistics._ Surveillance Technology Oversight Project (S.T.O.P.), Jun. 2024. (*)

Guilt by Association: _How Police Databases Punish Black and Latinx Youth._ Surveillance Technology Oversight Project (S.T.O.P.), Jun. 2024. (*)

Deportation Data Centers: _How Fusion Centers Circumvent Sanctuary City Laws._ Surveillance Technology Oversight Project, 19 Nov. 2024.(*)

Take Back Tech: _How to Expose and Fight Surveillance Tech in Your City._ Mijente, Just Futures Law, and UCI Law Immigrant Rights Clinic, Jul. 2019. (*)

On Surveillance & Social Safety Net / Public Benefits

Inescapable AI: _The Ways AI Decides How Low-Income People Work, Live, Learn, and Survive._ Techtonic Justice, Nov. 2024. (*)

Mismatched and Mistaken: _How the Use of an Inaccurate Private Database Results in SSI Recipients Unjustly Losing Benefits._ National Consumer Law Center, Apr. 2021. (*)

On Surveillance & Reproductive Health / Criminalization of Abortion

Stopping the Abuse of Tech _in Surveilling and Criminalizing Abortion._ Center for American Progress, Jan. 2025. (*)

Field Guide to Blocking Statutes: _Limiting Interstate Abortion Investigations._ Tech Accountability & Competition Project (TAC), Yale Law School, Mar. 2023. (*)

On Surveillance & "Smart" Cities / Digital IDs

My City, INC: _A Case Against "Comp Stat Urbanism."_ Surveillance Resistance Lab, 18 Mar. 2024. (*)

Smart-City Digital ID Projects: _Reinforcing Inequality and Increasing Surveillance through Corporate "Solutions."_ Immigrant Defense Project, 2021. (*)

Seeing Through Surveillance: Why Policymakers Should Look Past the Hype. ACLU of Northern California, Jul. 2024. (*)

On Data Centers & Data Workers

The Costs of Data Centers to Our Communities – And How To Fight Back. Kairos & Media Justice. (*)

Ghost Workers in the AI Machine: U.S. Data Workers Speak Out About Big Tech's Exploitation. AWU-CWA & TechEquity, Sept. 2025.

On Data Privacy Generally

Privacy in Authoritarian Times: Surveillance Capitalism and Government Surveillance, Jan. 19, 2025, 67 Boston College Law Rev. (forthcoming 2026). (*)

Toolkits & Resources for Community Groups

Toolkits & Popular Education Resources

Digital Defense Playbook. Our Data Bodies, 2018.

A Toolkit: Fighting Local Surveillance. ACLU California & Oakland Privacy, 2020.

Techbusters: Hacking Big Tech's Myths. Eyes on Tech & Just Futures Law.

Tech Wars. mijente, 1 Feb., 2022.

WTF: The Rise of the Tech Broligarchy Toolkit. 14 May, 2025.

Take Back Tech: Resource for Popular Education, #NoTechforICE.

Tips for Identifying AI Use: Is AI being used to make a decision about my life? Techtonic Justice, Apr. 2025.

The Smoke & Mirrors of AI. Kairos Fellowship.

The People Say No: Resisting Data Centers Toolkit. Media Justice, 2025.

Building Worker Power in the Digital Age: Popular Education Tools for Organizers. PowerSwitch Action, Oct. 2024.

Research Resources

Surveillance Watch. Distributed AI Research Institute

Digital Security Resources

Digital Security Resources. Just Futures Law.

Protest Surveillance and Safety. Surveillance Technology Oversight Project (S.T.O.P.)

A Brief Introduction to Cybersecurity: First Line Protections. Surveillance Technology Oversight Project (S.T.O.P.).

Quick Privacy Guide. Surveillance Technology Oversight Project (S.T.O.P.).