

Dutch banks' online services hit by cyberattack

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Dutch banks say a cyberattack has affected their online services, but did not breach the security of customers' accounts.

The [Netherlands](#) Association of Banks says Dutch and some foreign banks were hit by a denial-of-service attack, in which huge amounts of data overwhelm servers—like hundreds of letters being jammed through a mail slot at the same time.

The association did not say who was responsible for the attack Friday.

In the Netherlands, the attack temporarily forced Internet and [mobile banking](#) sites of the ING bank offline and also affected online payments for other banks.

The association stressed that bank customers could still get cash and pay bills at ATMs.

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