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Your next step is to compile a list of known vulnerabilities that have been reported against the open source components you've inventoried.

Most DIYers will use the U.S. government vulnerability disclosure database, the [National Vulnerability Database](#) (NVD), as their primary source. But be aware that not all vulnerabilities are reported to the NVD. Also, the format of NVD records often makes it difficult to determine which versions of a given open source component are affected by a vulnerability.

Other useful sources of information include project distribution sites, such as those maintained by the [Debian](#) and [Python](#) projects. Security blogs and message boards, such as the [US-CERT alerts page](#) and [Google's security blog](#), should also be part of your daily abili





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