

NEW YORK STATE GOVERNMENT SPENDING ON RESTRICTED TECHNOLOGY

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Overview

- Between 2018 and 2023, the state of New York spent \$2,440,090 on restricted Chinese technology from Lexmark, Inc. and Lenovo, Inc. Just a few of the agencies holding sensitive information that have purchased these products include:
 - The Office of the Attorney General
 - The Legislative Bill Drafting Committee
 - The Division of State Police
- In 2020-2021, ChinaTechThreat called attention to over \$28 million spent on restricted Chinese technology. See that analysis and our letter to Senator Schumer at <https://chinatechthreat.com/ny/>.

The Problem

- Chinese government-owned technology manufacturers Lenovo and Lexmark have been restricted from U.S. military and intelligence agencies due to their connection to the Chinese government and military. While federal policy directs information security at the federal level, states must determine their own security standards making states vulnerable to intrusion through the purchase of these risky Chinese technology products. For more detail on these two manufacturers and others, see our briefing paper at www.StatesStopChinaTech.com.

The Process

- In January 2023, China Tech Threat (CTT) obtained New York's detailed financial records of payments to Lexmark and Lenovo, showing payment amounts, dates and check numbers, payor agencies or departments, and descriptions of services through Open Book New York, the state's public financial database maintained by the Comptroller and made available to improve transparency.
- However, purchases of restricted technology through third-party resellers, which can be significant, are not yet captured in our research. Any future efforts to identify and restrict purchases of Chinese-owned technology manufacturers should include resellers.

Lexmark

Between 2018 and 2023, the state of New York purchased \$1,592,710 of Lexmark technology.

In 2023, \$22,025 of Lexmark technology purchased:

- The Office of the Attorney General

In 2022, \$314,269 of Lexmark technology purchased, including:

- The Office of the Attorney General: \$314,022
- Select purchases by the State University of New York

In 2021, \$236,291 of Lexmark technology purchased, including:

- The Office of the Attorney General: \$235,468
- Select purchases by the State University of New York

In 2020, \$330,857 of Lexmark technology purchased, including:

- The Office of the Attorney General: \$328,538
- Select purchases made by the State University of New York

In 2019, \$394,529 of Lexmark technology purchased, including:

- The Office of the Attorney General: \$387,788
- Select purchases by State University of New York

In 2018, \$294,720 of Lexmark technology purchased, including:

- The Office of the Attorney General: \$250,427
- The State Senate: \$18,333
- The Division of State Police: \$11,061

Lenovo

Between 2018 and 2023, the state of New York purchased \$847,380 of Lenovo technology.

In 2023, \$19,215 of Lenovo technology purchased:

- The State University of New York

In 2022, \$158,336 of Lenovo technology purchased, including:

- The State University of New York: \$148,956
- Select purchases by the Office of Court Administration



In 2021, \$304,304 of Lenovo technology purchased, including:

- The City University of New York: \$204,941
- Office of Court Administration: \$25,020

In 2020, \$889,977 of Lenovo technology purchased, including:

- The State University of New York: \$53,925
- The Department of Health: \$30,000
- Select purchases by the Legislative Bill Drafting Committee

In 2019, \$235,865 of Lenovo technology purchased, including:

- The State University of New York: \$178,602
- The Division of State Police: \$45,751
- Select purchases by the Legislative Bill Drafting Committee

In 2018, \$38,884 of Lenovo technology purchased, including:

- The State University of New York: \$34,463