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Your employer may be monitoring
your electronic activity at work.

picking up a book from Amazon or shooting an email to a friend? If you're doing it from the office, you might want to think again. Your company could be reading your email, monitoring which web sites you surf, and snooping through your computer files. Consider that nearly 75 percent of companies are electronically monitoring their employees, according to a survey by the American Management Association (AMA). And don't let those passwords fool you—the law is on employers' side. Right now, outside of listening to your personal phone calls and keeping cameras in the bathrooms, companies have full legal rein to monitor their workers. (Legislation currently pending in Congress would compel companies to let employees know if their activities are monitored.)