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Ransomware landscape: April 2023

Monthly summary of ransomware leak-site listings

Period: April 2023 | Compared with the previous month | Counts are listings by the date we first saw them

478	+9.4%	27	6
listings this month	vs previous month (437)	groups that posted	groups seen for the first time

Key findings

- 478 organizations were listed in April 2023, +9.4% against 437 in the month before.
- malas was the most active group with 168 listings (35.1% of the month). The five most active groups account for 77.6% of all listings.
- Manufacturing was the most listed sector with 109 listings (22.8%), followed by Professional Services (98).
- United States was the most listed country with 37 listings (7.7%).
- 6 groups listed for the first time this month.
- The busiest day was 2023-04-09 with 178 listings.

Who is behind the listings

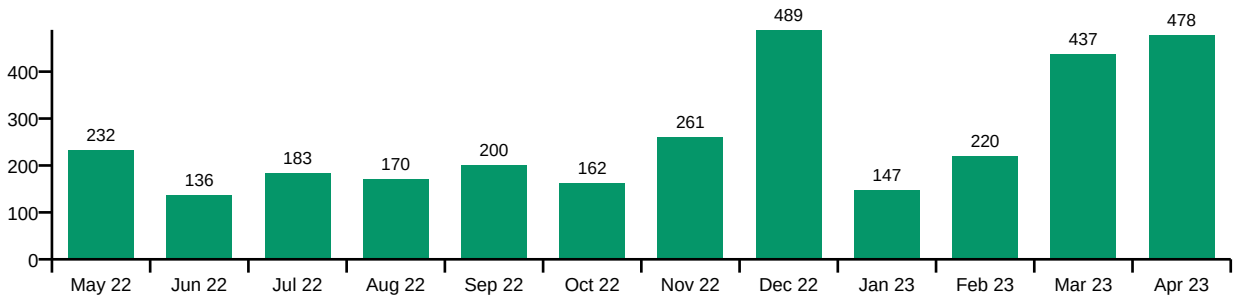


Dark: malas (35.1%). Grey: the next four groups (42.5%). Light: all other groups (22.4%).

What this means for your team

- Activity is concentrated: five groups (malas, lockbit3, bianlian, royal, blackbasta) made 77.6% of the month's listings. Make sure your monitoring and threat briefings cover them first.
- Manufacturing had the most listings (109). If you work in it, or buy from it, check whether your suppliers were named this month.
- 6 groups listed for the first time. Add new names to your watchlist and note which sectors they went for.

Listings per month, last 12 months



Most active groups

Group	Listings	Share	vs last month
malas	168	35.1%	new
lockbit3	110	23.0%	+11
bianlian	46	9.6%	+21
royal	26	5.4%	-5
blackbasta	21	4.4%	-27
play	14	2.9%	-13
karakurt	11	2.3%	+7
medusa	11	2.3%	0
blackbyte	9	1.9%	+5
akira	7	1.5%	new

Most listed sectors

Sector	Listings	Share	vs last month
Manufacturing	109	22.8%	+32
Professional Services	98	20.5%	+15
Technology	64	13.4%	+23
Retail & E-Commerce	48	10.0%	+5
Healthcare	34	7.1%	+3
Financial Services	25	5.2%	-3
Agriculture and Food Production	17	3.6%	0
Education	17	3.6%	-4

3 listings (0%) have no sector in the source data and are not ranked.

Most listed countries

Country	Listings	Share
United States	37	7.7%
France	10	2.1%
Canada	9	1.9%
Germany	7	1.5%
Italy	7	1.5%
Japan	6	1.3%
Malaysia	5	1.0%
Australia	4	0.8%

Groups that listed for the first time

akira, crosslock, cryptnet, dunghill, malas, trigona

About these numbers

Listing	A post on a ransomware group's leak site naming an organization. It is the group's claim, not a confirmed breach.
Date	We count a listing on the date we first saw it, which can be days or weeks after the attack.
Share	The group's, sector's or country's part of all listings in the month.
vs last month	Change in listings from the month before. 'new' means none the month before. Colour shows direction only.
Limits	Many victims are never listed, so this describes leak-site activity, not the true number of ransomware incidents.

Browse the full data. Every listing, group, sector and country behind this report is free to search at **https://tracker.exposuredrift.com**. This report is published by Ransomware Tracker by ExposureDrift.