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# Ransomware landscape: October 2023

Monthly summary of ransomware leak-site listings

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

| 386 | -21.1% | 35 | 1 |
|---|---|---|---|
| listings this month | vs previous month (489) | groups that posted | groups seen for the first time |

**Key findings**

- 386 organizations were listed in October 2023, -21.1% against 489 in the month before.
- lockbit3 was the most active group with 66 listings (17.1% of the month). The five most active groups account for 51.0% of all listings.
- Manufacturing was the most listed sector with 75 listings (19.4%), followed by Professional Services (71).
- United States was the most listed country with 56 listings (14.5%).
- 1 groups listed for the first time this month.
- The busiest day was 2023-10-31 with 29 listings.

## Who is behind the listings

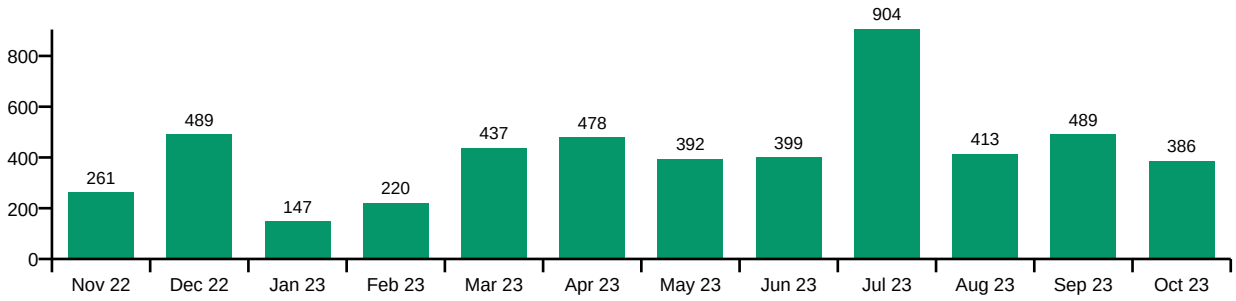


Dark: lockbit3 (17.1%). Grey: the next four groups (33.9%). Light: all other groups (49.0%).

**What this means for your team**

- Activity is concentrated: five groups (lockbit3, play, noescape, alphv, ransomed) made 51.0% of the month's listings. Make sure your monitoring and threat briefings cover them first.
- Manufacturing had the most listings (75). If you work in it, or buy from it, check whether your suppliers were named this month.
- Listings fell 21% on the month before. A quieter month on leak sites is not a reason to relax controls: many victims are never listed.
- 1 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 |
|---|---|---|---|
| lockbit3 | 66 | 17.1% | -10 |
| play | 42 | 10.9% | +15 |
| noescape | 35 | 9.1% | +14 |
| alphv | 29 | 7.5% | -19 |
| ransomed | 25 | 6.5% | -7 |
| 8base | 19 | 4.9% | -1 |
| medusa | 19 | 4.9% | +8 |
| blackbasta | 18 | 4.7% | new |
| bianlian | 16 | 4.1% | -8 |
| knight | 15 | 3.9% | +5 |

## Most listed sectors

| Sector | Listings | Share | vs last month |
|---|---|---|---|
| Manufacturing | 75 | 19.4% | -10 |
| Professional Services | 71 | 18.4% | -16 |
| Technology | 43 | 11.1% | -8 |
| Healthcare | 30 | 7.8% | -8 |
| Retail & E-Commerce | 30 | 7.8% | -22 |
| Education | 24 | 6.2% | +2 |
| Government & Defense | 20 | 5.2% | 0 |
| Agriculture and Food Production | 19 | 4.9% | -10 |

8 listings (2%) have no sector in the source data and are not ranked.

## Most listed countries

| Country | Listings | Share |
|---|---|---|
| United States | 56 | 14.5% |
| United Kingdom | 24 | 6.2% |
| Italy | 13 | 3.4% |
| Brazil | 9 | 2.3% |
| Canada | 9 | 2.3% |
| France | 8 | 2.1% |
| Australia | 7 | 1.8% |
| Belgium | 5 | 1.3% |

## Groups that listed for the first time

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## About these numbers

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| **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. |

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