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Ransomware landscape: December 2023

Monthly summary of ransomware leak-site listings

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

524	+5.9%	39	7
listings this month	vs previous month (495)	groups that posted	groups seen for the first time

Key findings

- 524 organizations were listed in December 2023, +5.9% against 495 in the month before.
- toufan was the most active group with 117 listings (22.3% of the month). The five most active groups account for 55.5% of all listings.
- Manufacturing was the most listed sector with 128 listings (24.4%), followed by Professional Services (90).
- United States was the most listed country with 75 listings (14.3%).
- 7 groups listed for the first time this month.
- The busiest day was 2023-12-19 with 107 listings.

Who is behind the listings

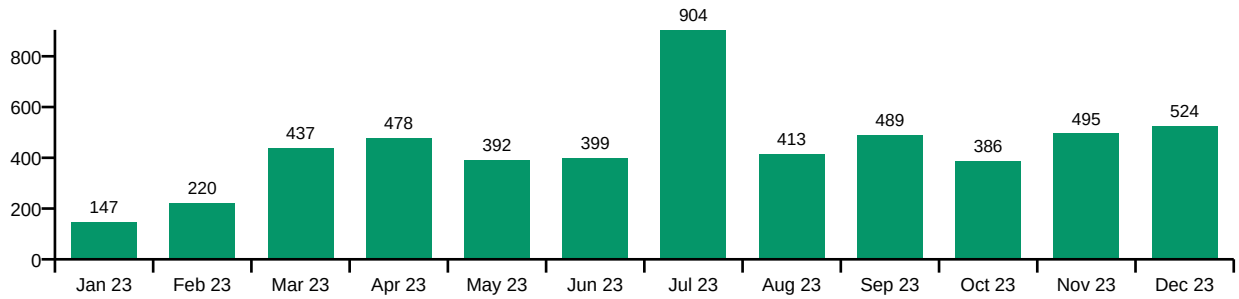


Dark: toufan (22.3%). Grey: the next four groups (33.2%). Light: all other groups (44.5%).

What this means for your team

- Activity is concentrated: five groups (toufan, lockbit3, play, alphv, cactus) made 55.5% of the month's listings. Make sure your monitoring and threat briefings cover them first.
- Manufacturing had the most listings (128). If you work in it, or buy from it, check whether your suppliers were named this month.
- 7 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
toufan	117	22.3%	new
lockbit3	86	16.4%	-26
play	35	6.7%	-14
alphv	28	5.3%	-24
cactus	25	4.8%	+15
8base	23	4.4%	-11
werewolves	23	4.4%	new
dragonforce	21	4.0%	new
siegedsec	19	3.6%	new
akira	17	3.2%	-2

Most listed sectors

Sector	Listings	Share	vs last month
Manufacturing	128	24.4%	+20
Professional Services	90	17.2%	-5
Technology	55	10.5%	+29
Retail & E-Commerce	42	8.0%	-8
Healthcare	39	7.4%	-9
Education	29	5.5%	+4
Government & Defense	25	4.8%	+6
Agriculture and Food Production	24	4.6%	-5

10 listings (1%) have no sector in the source data and are not ranked.

Most listed countries

Country	Listings	Share
United States	75	14.3%
Israel	32	6.1%
United Kingdom	19	3.6%
Canada	15	2.9%
Russia	13	2.5%
Germany	12	2.3%
Australia	11	2.1%
France	7	1.3%

Groups that listed for the first time

dragonforce, malekteam, ranstreet, raznatovic, siegedsec, toufan, werewolves

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.