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Ransomware landscape: October 2024

Monthly summary of ransomware leak-site listings

Period: October 2024 | Compared with the previous month | Counts are listings by the date we first saw them

543	+34.7%	47	4
listings this month	vs previous month (403)	groups that posted	groups seen for the first time

Key findings

- 543 organizations were listed in October 2024, +34.7% against 403 in the month before.
- ransomhub was the most active group with 84 listings (15.5% of the month). The five most active groups account for 42.0% of all listings.
- Professional Services was the most listed sector with 161 listings (29.7%), followed by Manufacturing (87).
- United States was the most listed country with 262 listings (48.3%).
- 4 groups listed for the first time this month.
- The busiest day was 2024-10-09 with 42 listings.

Who is behind the listings

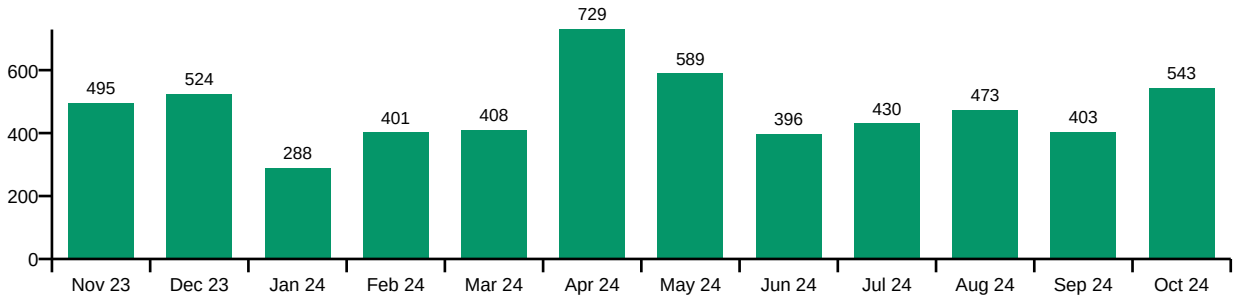


Dark: ransomhub (15.5%). Grey: the next four groups (26.5%). Light: all other groups (58.0%).

What this means for your team

- Activity is spread out: the five busiest groups (ransomhub, play, killsec, sarcoma, meow) made only 42.0% of listings, so watching a few groups is not enough. Track listings by sector and supplier instead.
- Professional Services had the most listings (161). If you work in it, or buy from it, check whether your suppliers were named this month.
- Listings rose 35% on the month before. Confirm that alerts for newly named organizations reach someone who acts on them the same day.
- 4 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
ransomhub	84	15.5%	+10
play	53	9.8%	+10
killsec	33	6.1%	+20
sarcoma	32	5.9%	new
meow	26	4.8%	+7
fog	24	4.4%	+19
hunters	23	4.2%	+10
apt73	20	3.7%	new
ElDorado	20	3.7%	+4
blacksuit	18	3.3%	+8

Most listed sectors

Sector	Listings	Share	vs last month
Professional Services	161	29.7%	+32
Manufacturing	87	16.0%	+27
Technology	72	13.3%	+22
Healthcare	61	11.2%	+29
Transportation	29	5.3%	+12
Education	22	4.1%	+6
Financial Services	21	3.9%	-2
Government & Defense	21	3.9%	+3

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

Most listed countries

Country	Listings	Share
United States	262	48.3%
Canada	32	5.9%
India	27	5.0%
United Kingdom	22	4.1%
Germany	17	3.1%
Australia	16	2.9%
France	14	2.6%
Italy	13	2.4%

Groups that listed for the first time

hellcat, interlock, playboy, sarcoma

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.