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Ransomware landscape: August 2025

Monthly summary of ransomware leak-site listings

Period: August 2025 | Compared with the previous month | Counts are listings by the date we first saw them

560	+3.3%	50	4
listings this month	vs previous month (542)	groups that posted	groups seen for the first time

Key findings

- 560 organizations were listed in August 2025, +3.3% against 542 in the month before.
- qilin was the most active group with 118 listings (21.1% of the month). The five most active groups account for 47.7% of all listings.
- Manufacturing was the most listed sector with 131 listings (23.4%), followed by Professional Services (80).
- United States was the most listed country with 275 listings (49.1%).
- 4 groups listed for the first time this month.
- The busiest day was 2025-08-20 with 52 listings.

Who is behind the listings

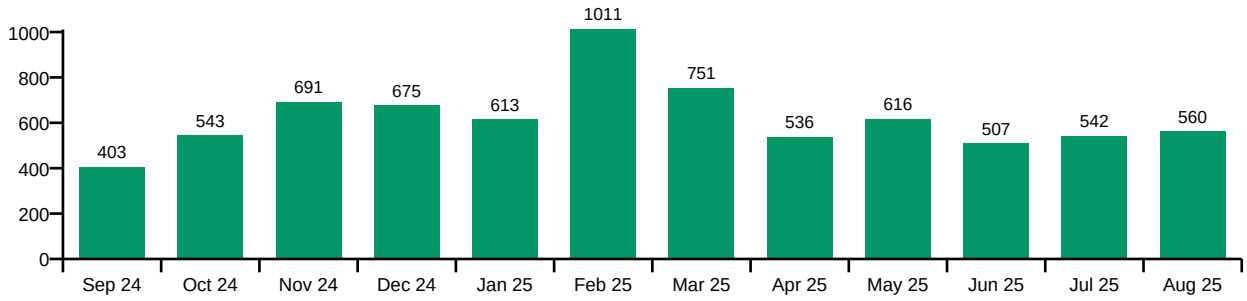


Dark: qilin (21.1%). Grey: the next four groups (26.6%). Light: all other groups (52.3%).

What this means for your team

- Activity is spread out: the five busiest groups (qilin, akira, warlock, dragonforce, safepay) made only 47.7% of listings, so watching a few groups is not enough. Track listings by sector and supplier instead.
- Manufacturing had the most listings (131). If you work in it, or buy from it, check whether your suppliers were named this month.
- 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
qilin	118	21.1%	+51
akira	59	10.5%	+16
warlock	31	5.5%	new
dragonforce	30	5.4%	+8
safepay	29	5.2%	-13
play	26	4.6%	+1
incransom	24	4.3%	-34
sinobi	22	3.9%	+18
cephalus	19	3.4%	new
pear	18	3.2%	new

Most listed sectors

Sector	Listings	Share	vs last month
Manufacturing	131	23.4%	+27
Professional Services	80	14.3%	-3
Technology	77	13.8%	-17
Healthcare	46	8.2%	0
Retail & E-Commerce	38	6.8%	+6
Financial Services	36	6.4%	+6
Education	29	5.2%	+2
Transportation	24	4.3%	+8

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

Most listed countries

Country	Listings	Share
United States	275	49.1%
United Kingdom	38	6.8%
Germany	32	5.7%
Canada	19	3.4%
Italy	16	2.9%
Japan	14	2.5%
Australia	12	2.1%
France	10	1.8%

Groups that listed for the first time

blacknevas, cephalus, desolator, pear

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.