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Ransomware landscape: February 2026

Monthly summary of ransomware leak-site listings

Period: February 2026 | Compared with the previous month | Counts are listings by the date we first saw them

802	+15.4%	53	8
listings this month	vs previous month (695)	groups that posted	groups seen for the first time

Key findings

- 802 organizations were listed in February 2026, +15.4% against 695 in the month before.
- qilin was the most active group with 137 listings (17.1% of the month). The five most active groups account for 49.0% of all listings.
- Manufacturing was the most listed sector with 157 listings (19.6%), followed by Technology (133).
- United States was the most listed country with 382 listings (47.6%).
- 8 groups listed for the first time this month.
- The busiest day was 2026-02-07 with 99 listings.

Who is behind the listings

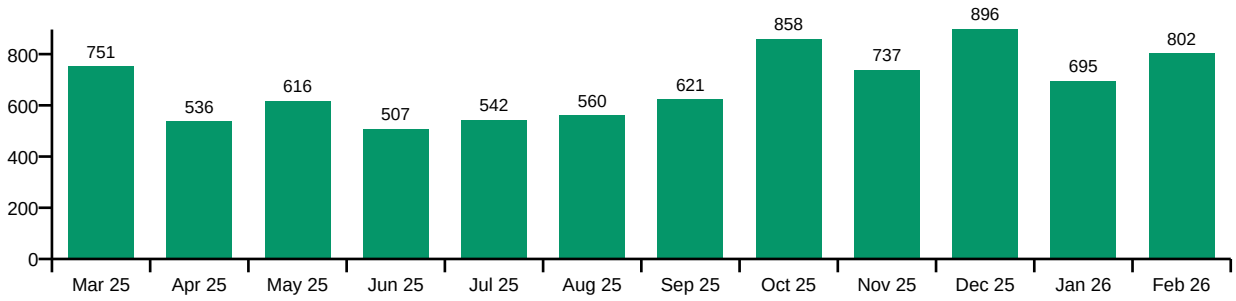


Dark: qilin (17.1%). Grey: the next four groups (31.9%). Light: all other groups (51.0%).

What this means for your team

- Activity is spread out: the five busiest groups (qilin, thegentlemen, clop, akira, play) made only 49.0% of listings, so watching a few groups is not enough. Track listings by sector and supplier instead.
- Manufacturing had the most listings (157). If you work in it, or buy from it, check whether your suppliers were named this month.
- Listings rose 15% on the month before. Confirm that alerts for newly named organizations reach someone who acts on them the same day.
- 8 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	137	17.1%	+23
thegentlemen	88	11.0%	+41
clop	79	9.9%	+33
akira	47	5.9%	-11
play	42	5.2%	+7
incransom	41	5.1%	-3
nightspire	40	5.0%	+20
dragonforce	37	4.6%	+28
lockbit5	34	4.2%	+26
insomnia	25	3.1%	new

Most listed sectors

Sector	Listings	Share	vs last month
Manufacturing	157	19.6%	+14
Technology	133	16.6%	+14
Professional Services	116	14.5%	+36
Healthcare	71	8.9%	+22
Financial Services	57	7.1%	+14
Retail & E-Commerce	55	6.9%	-4
Transportation	38	4.7%	+15
Government & Defense	29	3.6%	0

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

Most listed countries

Country	Listings	Share
United States	382	47.6%
Canada	34	4.2%
Germany	32	4.0%
United Kingdom	24	3.0%
Italy	23	2.9%
Brazil	22	2.7%
France	17	2.1%
India	16	2.0%

Groups that listed for the first time

ShadowByt3$, The Green Blood Group, bravox, cipherforce, insomnia, kittykatkrew, payload, reynolds

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.