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Ransomware landscape: May 2026

Monthly summary of ransomware leak-site listings

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

783	-7.6%	62	8
listings this month	vs previous month (847)	groups that posted	groups seen for the first time

Key findings

- 783 organizations were listed in May 2026, -7.6% against 847 in the month before.
- qilin was the most active group with 113 listings (14.4% of the month). The five most active groups account for 42.3% of all listings.
- Professional Services was the most listed sector with 175 listings (22.3%), followed by Manufacturing (135).
- United States was the most listed country with 304 listings (38.8%).
- 8 groups listed for the first time this month.
- The busiest day was 2026-05-06 with 73 listings.

Who is behind the listings

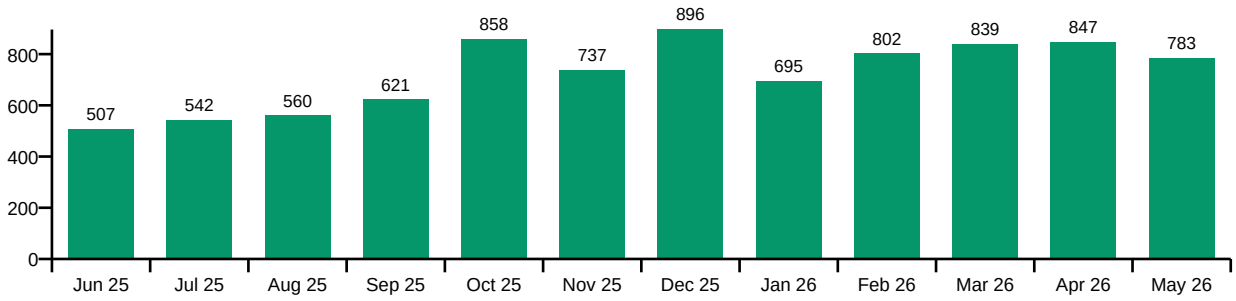


Dark: qilin (14.4%). Grey: the next four groups (27.8%). Light: all other groups (57.7%).

What this means for your team

- Activity is spread out: the five busiest groups (qilin, thegentlemen, dragonforce, akira, incransom) made only 42.3% of listings, so watching a few groups is not enough. Track listings by sector and supplier instead.
- Professional Services had the most listings (175). If you work in it, or buy from it, check whether your suppliers were named this month.
- 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	113	14.4%	+5
thegentlemen	90	11.5%	+4
dragonforce	55	7.0%	-10
akira	42	5.4%	-7
incransom	31	4.0%	-8
safepay	29	3.7%	+19
nova	25	3.2%	+17
fulcrumsec	23	2.9%	new
genesis	20	2.6%	+18
nightspire	18	2.3%	-13

Most listed sectors

Sector	Listings	Share	vs last month
Professional Services	175	22.3%	+8
Manufacturing	135	17.2%	-13
Technology	101	12.9%	-2
Healthcare	74	9.5%	-3
Retail & E-Commerce	62	7.9%	-23
Agriculture and Food Production	41	5.2%	+6
Financial Services	40	5.1%	-1
Transportation	36	4.6%	-2

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

Most listed countries

Country	Listings	Share
United States	304	38.8%
United Kingdom	49	6.3%
Germany	39	5.0%
Canada	32	4.1%
Spain	23	2.9%
Australia	20	2.6%
Italy	20	2.6%
Japan	17	2.2%

Groups that listed for the first time

0day Syndicate, Icarus, LeakBazaar, PrinzEugen, blackwater, cmdorganization, fulcrumsec, titan

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.