

# **SECURITY CASE STUDY 2014**

## **How the largest botnets were been taken down – the case studies**

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# Global Threats Understanding

# Deep understanding of today's threats

## Microsoft Security Intelligence Report

In-depth analysis of the threat  
landscape of exploits,  
vulnerabilities, and malware



# Security Intelligence Report

"Encounter rate: a new metric for analyzing malware prevalence"

Worldwide threat assessment

Vulnerability trends

Exploit trends

O/S, browser, and applications

Malware

Potentially unwanted software

Email threats

Malicious websites

Regional threat assessment

100+ countries/regions

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## Microsoft Security Intelligence Report

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# Security Intelligence Data Sources

Product name	Main customer segment		Malicious software		Spyware and potentially unwanted software		Available at no additional charge	Main distribution methods
	Consumers	Business	Scan and remove	Real-time protection	Scan and remove	Real-time protection		
Windows Malicious Software Removal Tool	•		Prevalent Malware families				•	WU/AU Download Center
Windows Defender	•				•	•	•	Download Center Windows Vista/Windows 7
Windows 8 Defender	•		•	•	•	•	•	Windows 8
Windows Safety Scanner	•		•		•		•	Cloud
Microsoft Security Essentials	•		•	•	•	•	•	Cloud
Exchange Online Protection		•	•	•				Cloud
System Center Endpoint Protection		•	•	•	•	•		Volume licensing

- Outlook.com—more than 400 million users.
- Internet Explorer—the world's most popular browser with SmartScreen, Microsoft Phishing filter.
- Exchange Online Protection—scans billions of email messages a year.
- Windows Malicious Software Removal Tool—executes on more than 600 million unique computers worldwide each month
- Microsoft Security Essentials—available in over 30 languages.
- Bing—billions of webpages scanned each month.

# Encounter rate (ER)



A measure of malware prevalence



Percent of computers encountering malware

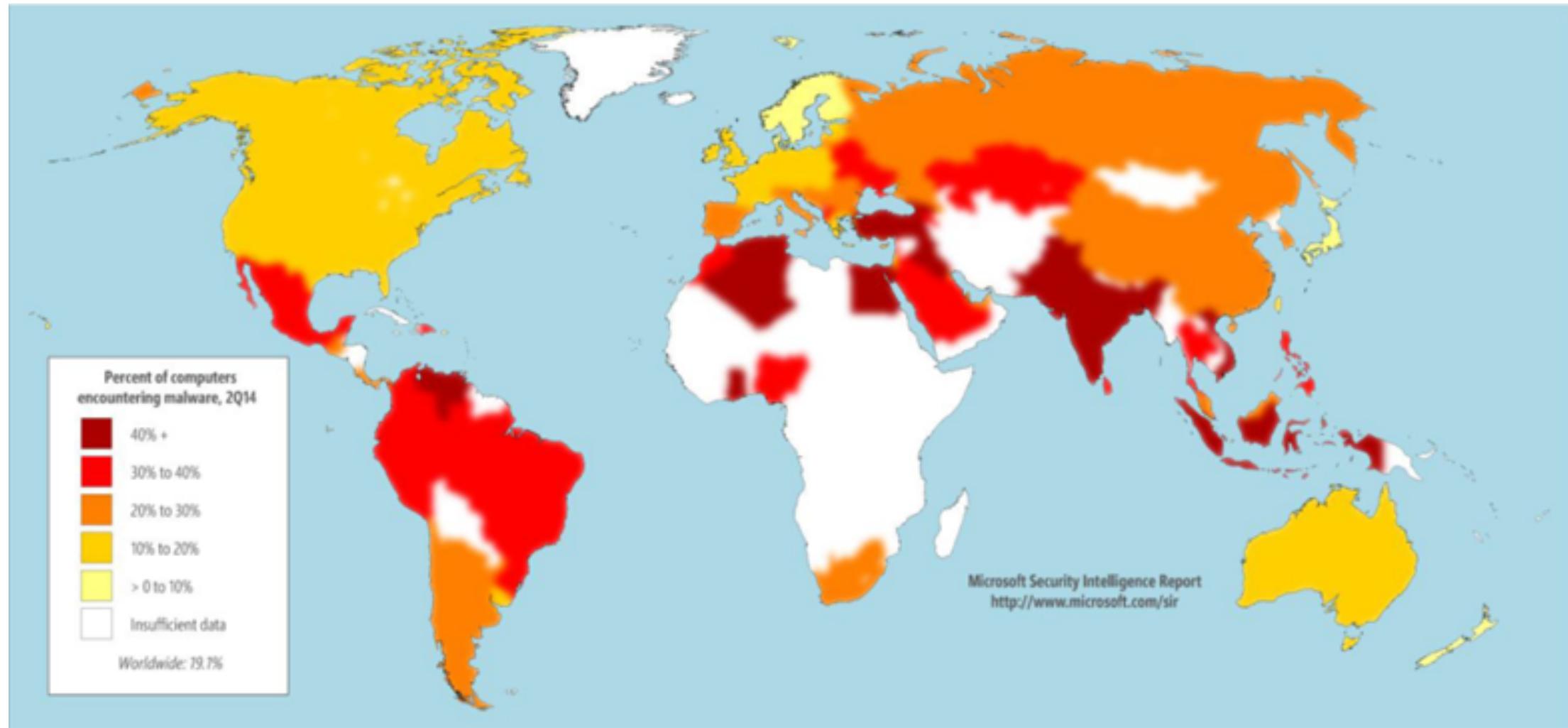


Microsoft antimalware products detect malware or malicious activity

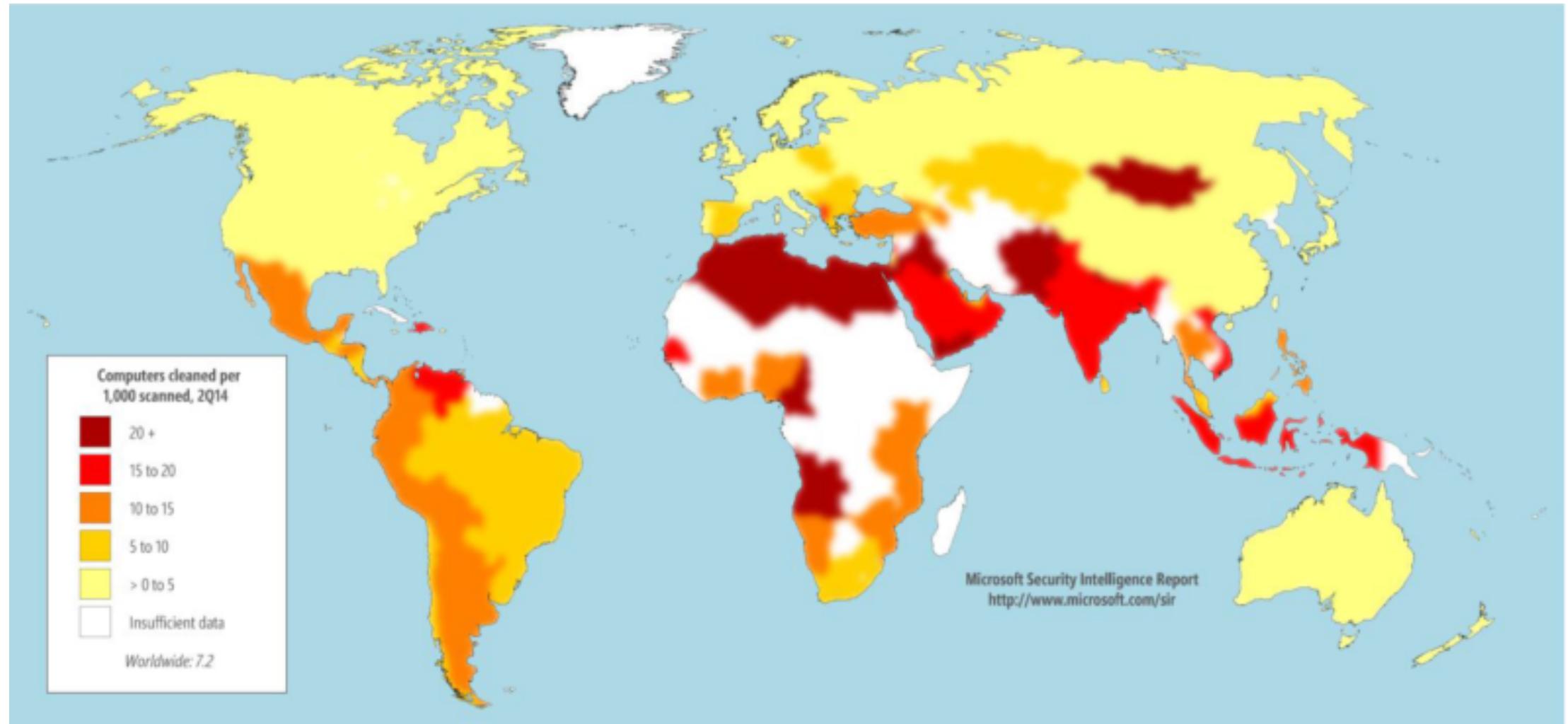


Includes blocks and infections

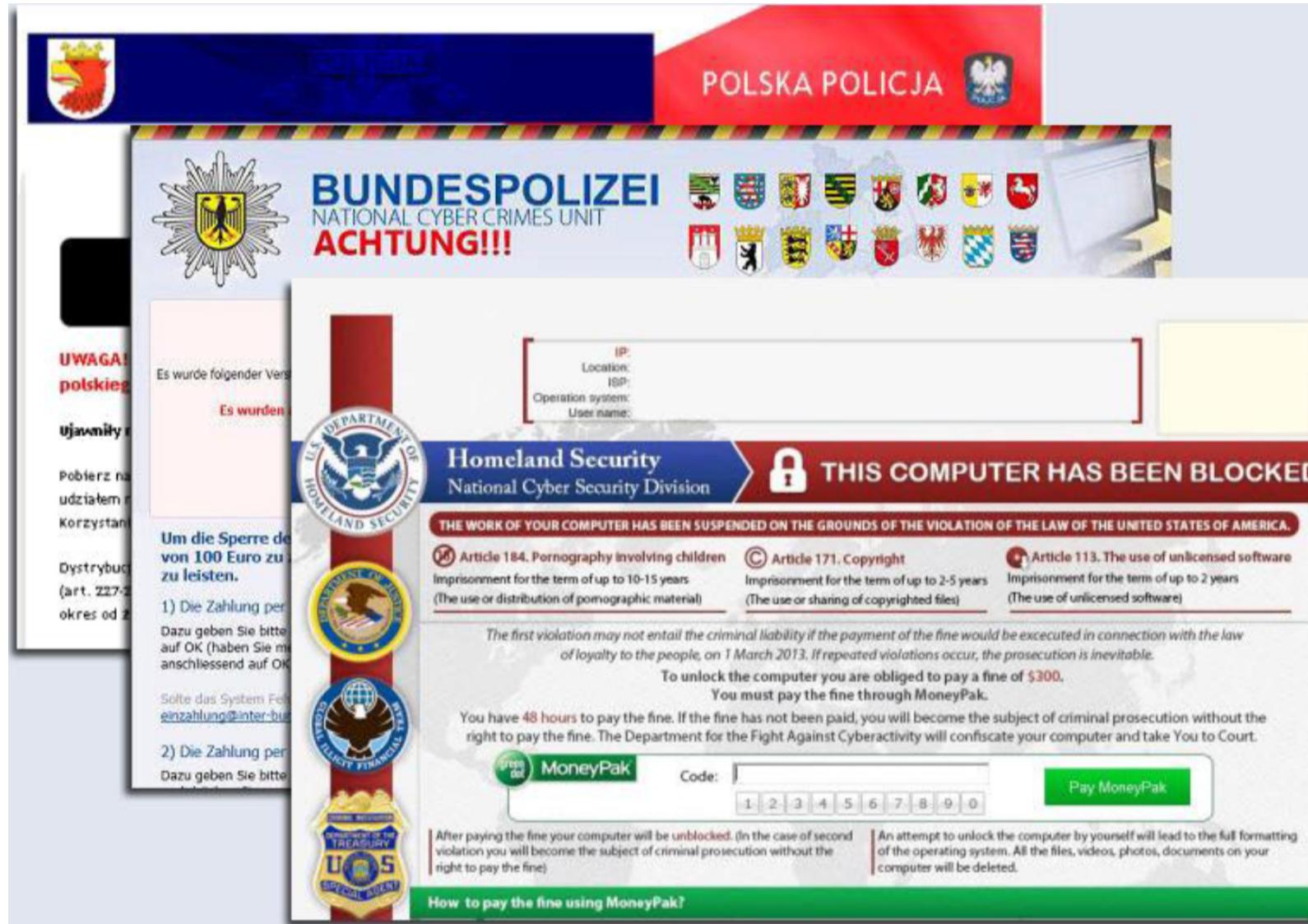
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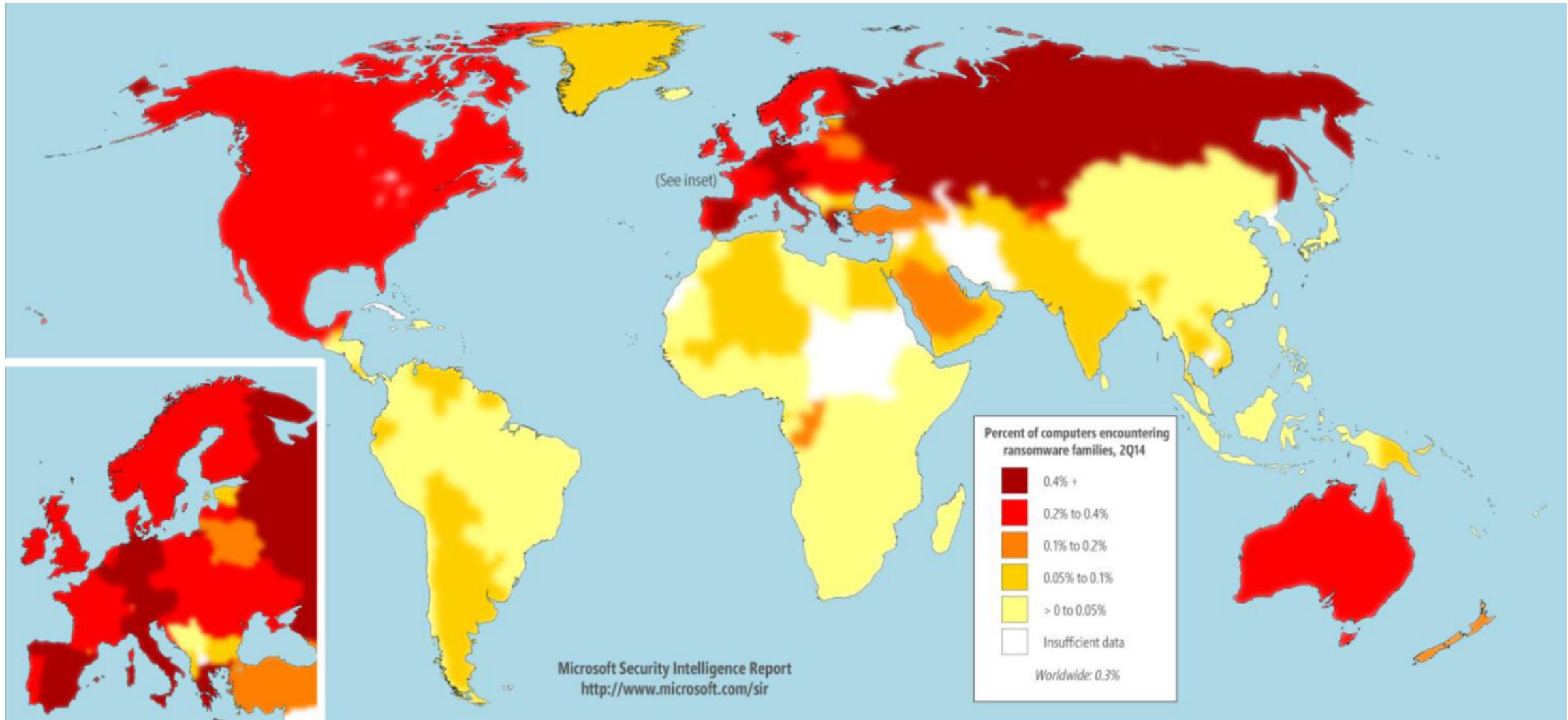
# Computer Cleaned per 1.000 scanned (CCM)



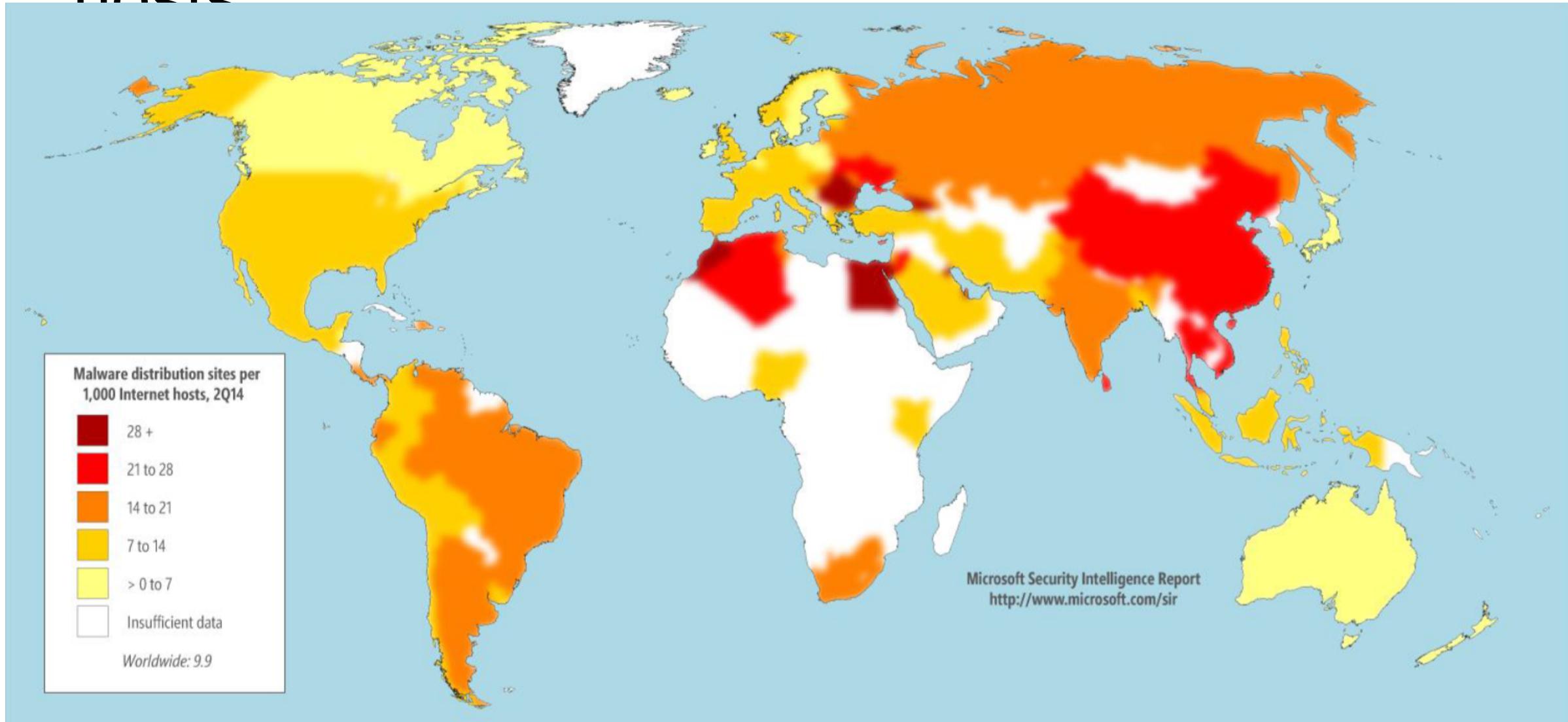
# Ransomware sample screenshots



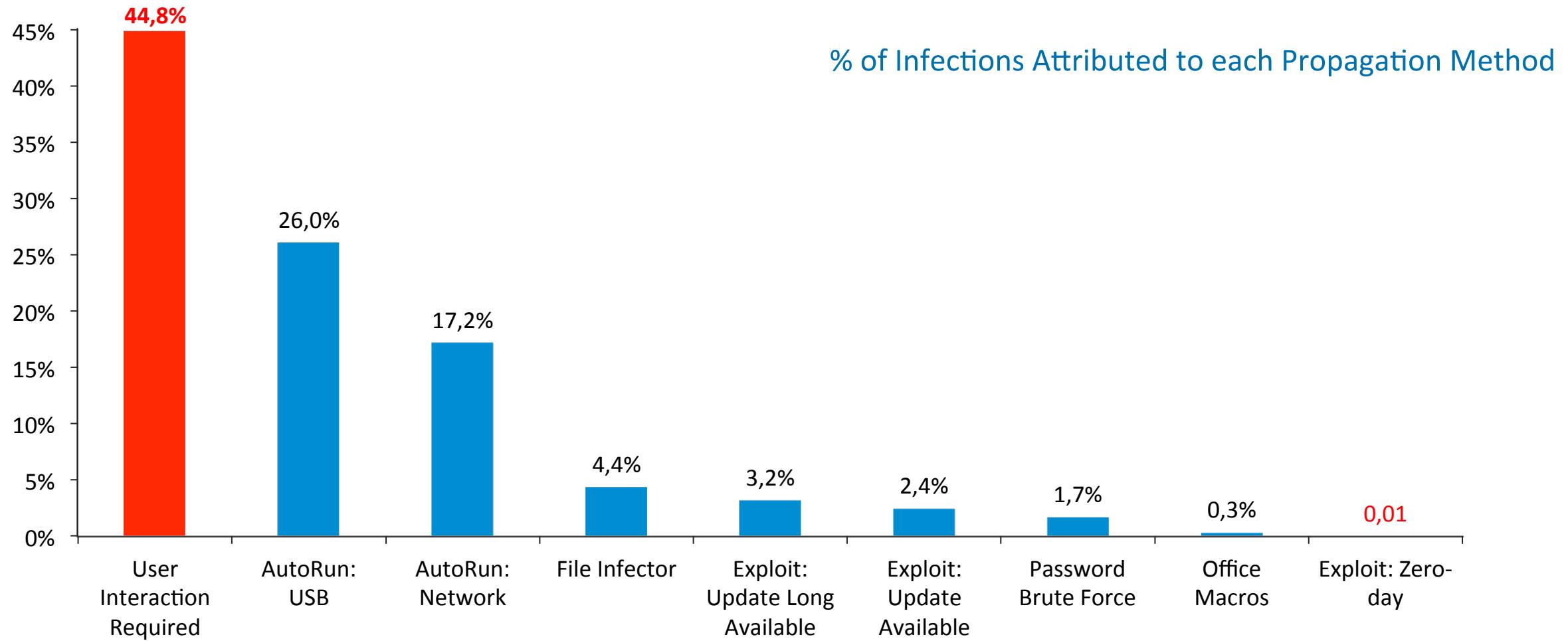
# Encounter rates for ransomware families



# Malware distribution sites per 1,000 Internet hosts



# Zero-day percentage within successful infections

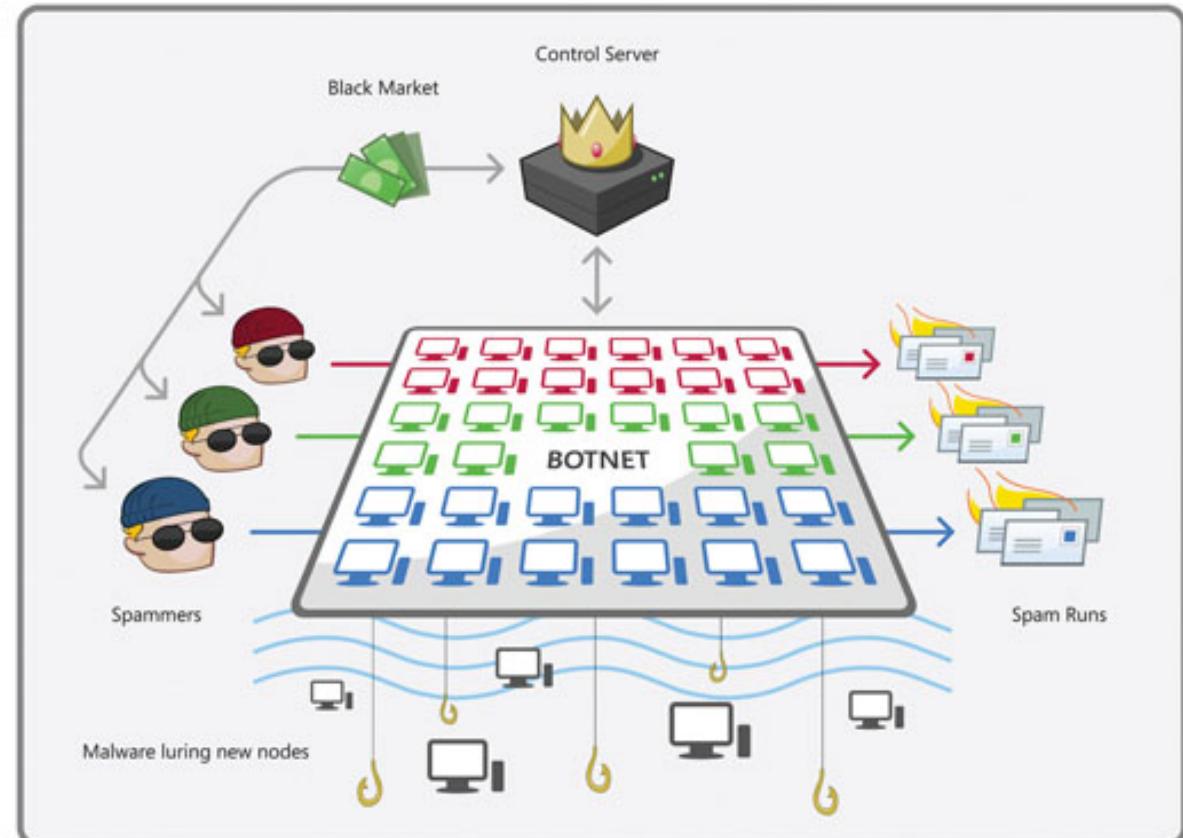


User interaction was attributed to nearly half (45%) of all infections (Zero-day 0.01%)

# From observation to action - Fighting cybercrimes – Microsoft Digital Crimes Unit

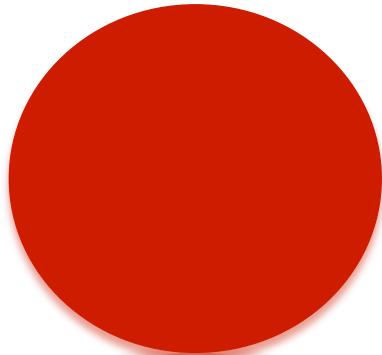
# Disrupting the Criminal Infrastructure: "Botnets"

- Botnets are networks of infected computers that can be remotely controlled by an individual or organization
- Used to conduct a variety of attacks
  - Spam
  - Denial of service
  - Click fraud
  - More malware distribution

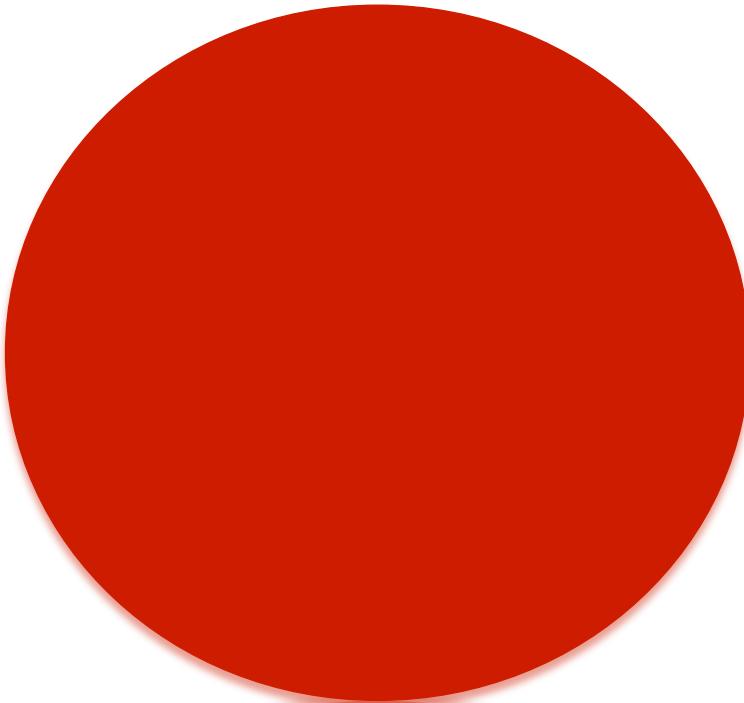


[www.microsoft.com/mscorp/swc/operationb49](http://www.microsoft.com/mscorp/swc/operationb49)

# Disrupting Criminal Business



Cost of Business



Value of Infection



Digital Crimes Unit Mission

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# Digital Crimes Unit



# Taking the fight directly to cybercriminals

## Mission:

Aggressively fight cybercrime and advocate extensively for enhancing cybersecurity



## Making an impact

- ✓ Taking down botnets and disrupting malware, in partnership with governmental and commercial organizations, to clean and protect tens of millions of devices
- ✓ Improving products and services by embedding collected data and intelligence into our platform and services
- ✓ Disrupting and dismantling cybercriminal operations that promote a range of illegal goods and services
- ✓ PhotoDNA tool protecting children from online exploitation built into LE tools and used by Enterprises

# Operation b49: Waledac takedown – February 2010

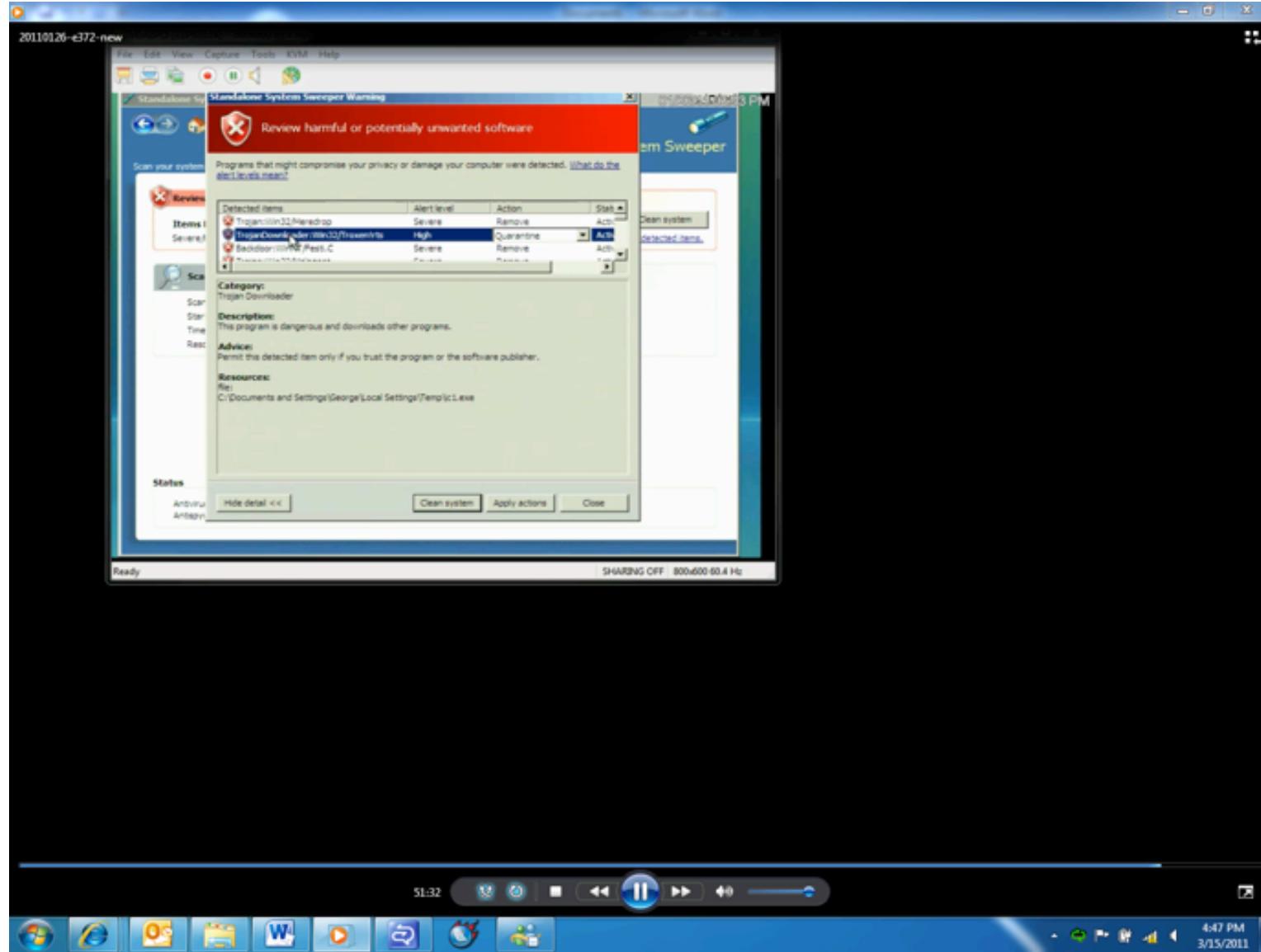
- In February 2010, Microsoft got a court order to sever 277 domains believed to be part of the Waledac botnet
- Operation b49 effectively severed ~70,000-90,000 computers from the botnet
- In October 2010, the court permanently awarded the 277 domains to Microsoft so they are never used for cybercrime again
- Due to cleanup efforts with ISPs/CERTs worldwide and natural decay of the inactive botnet, we estimate there are ~22,000 remaining infected IPs (as it was of March 2011)



# Operation b107: Rustock takedown – March 2011



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# Operation b107: Rustock takedown

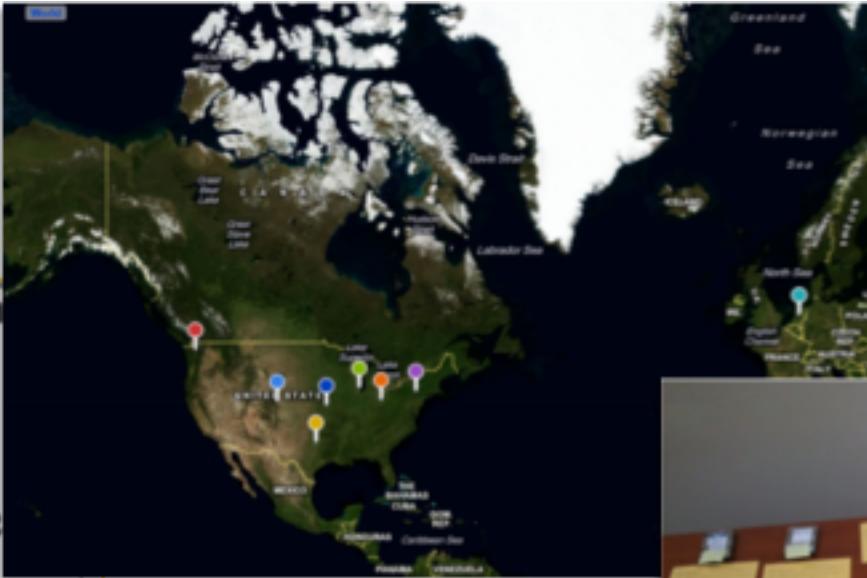


# Operation b107: Rustock takedown

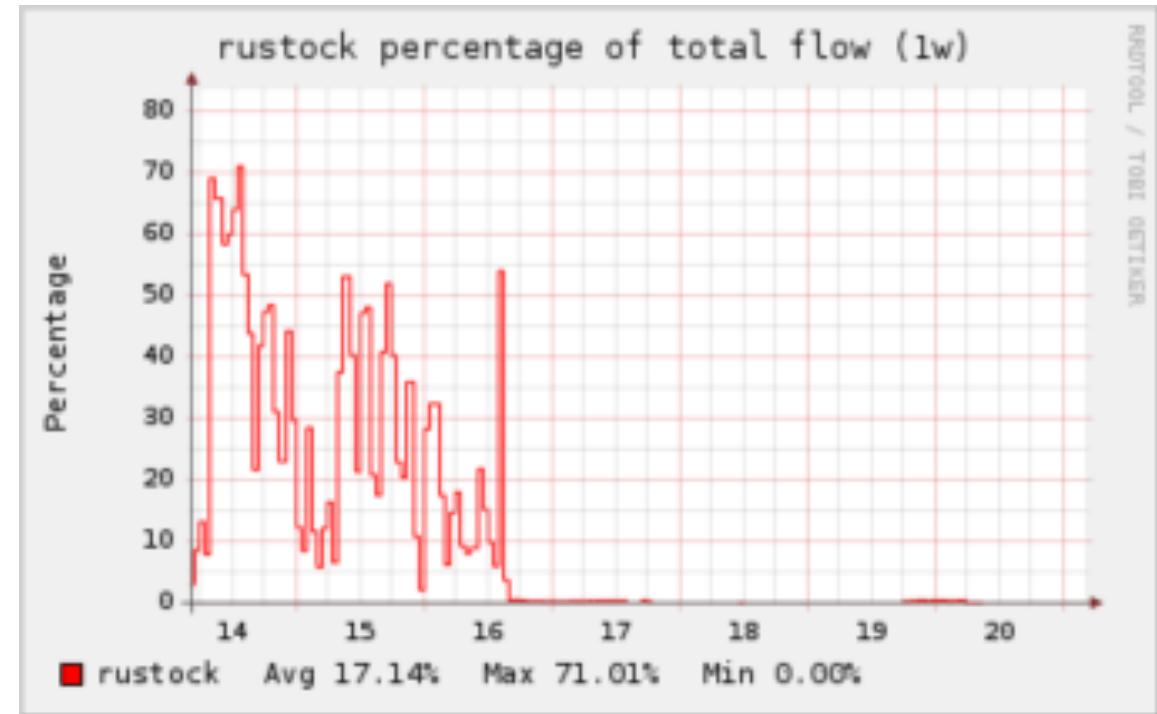
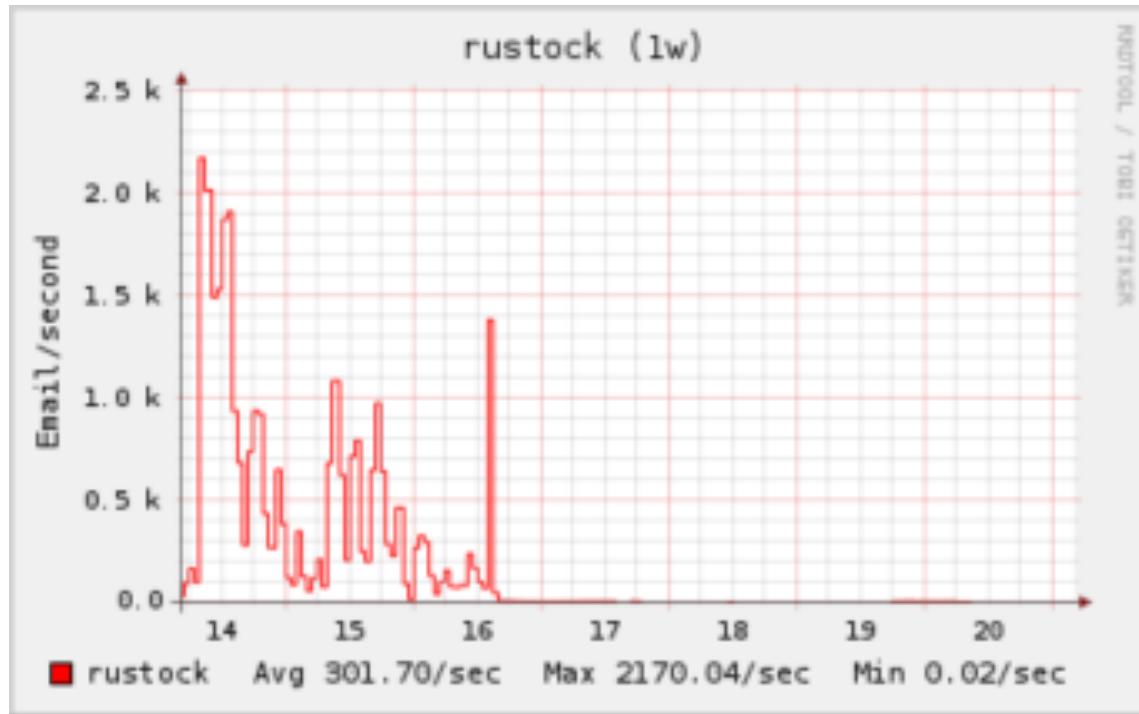


- Photo provided courtesy of Pfizer Corporation

# Operation b107: Rustock takedown



# Operation b107: Impact on spam



<http://cbl.abuseat.org/rustock.html>

# Operation b107: Cleanup

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**Operation b49 and Operation b107**

**Virus information**

**Security information**

**Hoaxes and scams**

**Ask the Community**

**IT Professionals**

**Operation b49** is a Microsoft-led initiative to take down a known botnet - [Waledac](#) - through industry collaboration and legal process. Operation b49 is just one action in a long term effort by Microsoft to combat cyber threats and advance the security of the Internet for everyone.

Operation b49 has been followed now by **Operation b107**, a similar legal and technical operation to take down the notorious [Rustock](#) botnet. These operations are part of a sustained effort by Microsoft known as Project MARS (Microsoft Active Response for Security) to disrupt botnets and begin to undo the damage the botnets have caused by helping victims regain control of their infected computers.

This webpage is dedicated to helping provide people with information on how to remove Waledac, Rustock or other malware from their computers, so the computers are no longer operating under the remote control of bot-herders.

<http://support.microsoft.com/botnets>

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# Rustock infection (by IP)

## Worldwide reduction rate

Observed Mar 20-26	Observed Sept 11-17	Reduction Mar – Sept
1,601,619	421,827	73.66%

Data released:  
Sept 22, 2011

## Top 10 Countries at start

Country	Observed Mar 20-26	Reduction Mar – Sept
India	322,566	85.47%
Russia	93,703	82.76%
Turkey	89,122	68.43%
USA	86,375	58.01%
Italy	53,656	62.31%
Brazil	46,978	72.32%
Ukraine	45,828	83.84%
Germany	43,946	66.43%
Malaysia	42,541	83.60%
Mexico	39,648	72.54%

## Top 10 Countries as of today

Country	Observed Sept 11-17	Reduction Mar – Sept
India	46,865	85.47%
USA	36,269	58.01%
Turkey	28,135	68.43%
Italy	20,225	62.31%
Russia	16,150	82.76%
France	15,037	51.66%
Germany	14,753	66.43%
Brazil	13,005	72.32%
UK	11,521	49.98%
Poland	11,493	64.78%

\*Note: Exact numbers can fluctuate. These capture a particular snapshot in time observed in the stated 7-day period.

# Operation b107: Legal case continued

Russian advertisements for notice



\$250k USD reward offer

**INTRODUCTION**

Microsoft has decided to augment its civil discovery efforts to identify those principally responsible for controlling the notorious Rurstock bot-net by offering a monetary reward for information that results in the identification, arrest and criminal conviction of such individual(s).

Microsoft specifically encourages anyone with information regarding those principally responsible for controlling the Rurstock bot-net to contact Microsoft Corporation, and is offering a \$250,000.00 award for the information that results in their identification, arrest and criminal conviction. Information should be provided directly to Microsoft Corporation by email to [awards@microsoft.com](mailto:awards@microsoft.com).

**RUSTOCK REWARD**

July 15, 2011

In order to determine the identity of the John Doe defendants principally responsible for the control of the Rurstock bot-net, Microsoft Corporation is offering a \$ 250,000.00 dollar reward (USD) for any new information that results in the identification, arrest and criminal conviction of whoever is responsible for the control of the Rurstock bot-net. Anyone with such information should contact Microsoft Corporation by email to [awards@microsoft.com](mailto:awards@microsoft.com). Microsoft Corporation reserves the exclusive right to review and evaluate the legitimacy of all leads submitted, and further reserves the right to provide such leads to United States law enforcement.

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# Civil case closure and FBI referral



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# Law enforcement action: Coreflood



## THREAT LEVEL

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### With Court Order, FBI Hijacks 'Coreflood' Botnet, Sends Kill Signal

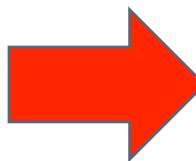
By Kim Zetter April 13, 2011 | 6:17 pm | Categories: Crime, Hacks and Cracks

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# Operation b79: Kelihos takedown – September 2011



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FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA  
Alexandria Division

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CLERK US DISTRICT COURT  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA

MICROSOFT CORPORATION, a )  
Washington corporation, )  
Plaintiff, )  
v. ) Civil Action No: 1:11-cv-1017  
DOMINIQUE ALEXANDER PIATTI, an ) TCC/ATB  
individual; DOTFREE GROUP S.R.O., a )  
Czech limited liability company; JOHN )  
DOES 1-22, CONTROLLING A )  
COMPUTER BOTNET THEREBY )  
INJURING MICROSOFT AND ITS )  
CUSTOMERS )  
Defendants. )

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**COMPLAINT**

Plaintiff MICROSOFT CORP. ("Microsoft") hereby complains and alleges against Defendant DOMINIQUE ALEXANDER PIATTI and Defendant DOTFREE GROUP S.R.O. (the "Piatti Defendants") and JOHN DOES 1-22 ("Doe Defendants") (referred to collectively herein as "Defendants"), controlling the "Kelihos" botnet using twenty one (21) Internet domain names set forth at Appendix A to this Complaint ("Harmful Botnet Domains") and two (2) Internet Protocol set forth at Appendix B to this Complaint ("Harmful Botnet IP Addresses") (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Harmful Botnet Domains and IP Addresses"), as follows:

**NATURE OF ACTION**

1. This is an action based upon: (1) The Computer Fraud and Abuse Act, 18 U.S.C. § 1030; (2) CAN-SPAM Act, 15 U.S.C. § 7704; (3) Electronic Communications Privacy Act, 18 U.S.C. § 2701; (4) False Designation of Origin under The Lanham Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1125(a); (5) Trademark Dilution under The Lanham Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1125(e); (6) Common Law Trespass to Chattels; (7) Unjust Enrichment; (8) Conversion; and (9) Negligence. Microsoft seeks injunctive

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COMPLAINT

# Operation b79: Kelihos takedown



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The screenshot shows a blog post from the Microsoft Malware Protection Center Threat Research & Response Blog. The title of the post is "Kelihos and Waledac- Separated at Birth?". The author is msft-mmpc, and the date is 10 Jan 2011 5:45 PM. There is a "RATE THIS" section with five yellow stars. The post discusses the analysis of Backdoor:Win32/Kelihos.A, noting its similarity to the Win32/Waledac family due to shared code and fast-flux communication. It also mentions that the new family is not communicating with the original Waledac's C&C infrastructure. The Microsoft logo is present in the top right corner of the page.

**Microsoft Malware Protection Center**  
Threat Research & Response Blog

TechNet Blogs > Microsoft Malware Protection Center > Kelihos and Waledac- Separated at Birth?

## Kelihos and Waledac- Separated at Birth?

msft-mmpc 10 Jan 2011 5:45 PM RATE THIS

In another instance of malware utilizing holiday-themed spam emails, our researchers had the opportunity to review in detail the threat we call Backdoor:Win32/Kelihos.A. An interesting aspect to this threat is its use of fast-flux in much the same way as the Win32/Waledac family. This similarity is not a coincidence. Analysis of Kelihos shows large portions of the code of Kelihos are shared with Waledac suggesting it is either from the same parties or that the code was obtained, updated and reused.

Still, based on our analysis, we have classified this as a new family and not a variant of Waledac. It is important to note that this new family is not communicating with nor is it reactivating the original Waledac which had its command and control infrastructure neutralized last year. We are actively monitoring this emerging malware in cooperation with industry and academic partners who were previously involved in Operation b49.

Microsoft Malware Protection Center



# Operation b79: Kelihos takedown



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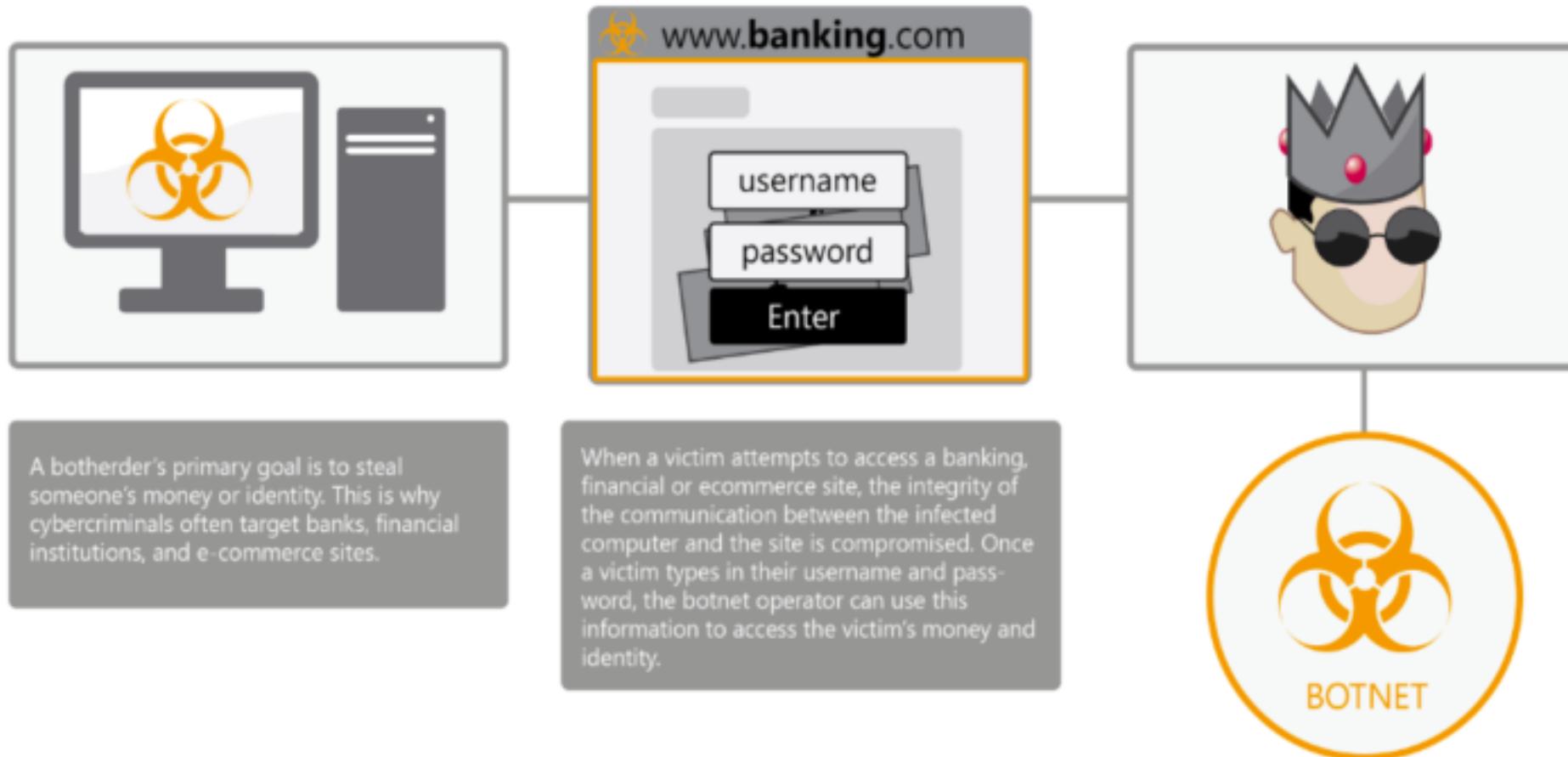
# Operation 71: Disruption of Zeus – March 2012



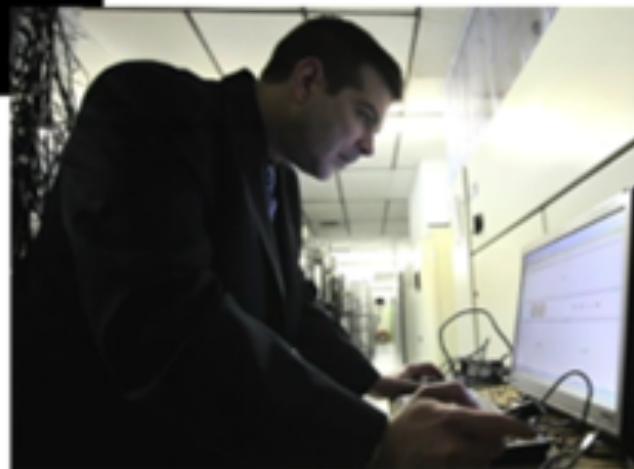
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# Operation 71: Disruption of Zeus



# Operation 71: Disruption of Zeus



# Operation b70: Nitol Disruption – September 2012

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NEWS & PERSPECTIVE FROM MICROSOFT

Microsoft Disrupts the Emerging Nitol Botnet Being Spread through an Unsecure Supply Chain

13 Sep 2012 12:15 AM

Earlier this week, the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia granted Microsoft's Digital Crimes Unit permission to disrupt more than 500 different strains of malware with the potential for targeting millions of innocent people. Codenamed "Operation b70," this legal action and technical disruption proceeded from a Microsoft [study](#) which found that cybercriminals infiltrate unsecure supply chains to introduce counterfeit software embedded with malware for the purpose of secretly infecting people's computers. In disrupting these malware strains, we helped significantly limit the spread of the developing Nitol botnet, our second botnet disruption in the last [six months](#).



# Operation b7o: Nitol

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**FROM BRAND NEW LAPTOP TO INFECTED BY PRESSING 'ON'**

By RICHARD LARSON | Sep. 13, 11:49 AM EDT

Home > Business > from brand new laptop to infected by pressing 'on'

WEIJI EINICHTON (AP) — A customer in Shenzhen, China, took a brand new laptop out of its box and booted it up for the first time. But as the screen lit up, the computer began taking on a life of its own. The machine, triggered by a virus hidden in its hard drive, began searching across the Internet for another computer.

The laptop, supposedly in pristine, square-foot, direct-from-the-factory condition, had instantly become part of an illegal, global network capable of attacking websites, looting bank accounts and stealing personal data.

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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA Alexandria Division**

Date of First Publication: September 13, 2012

MICROSOFT CORPORATION, a Washington corporation Plaintiff,

Peng Yang, an individual; Chengzhou Bei Te Kang Mu Software Technology Co., LTD., d/b/a Bitcom, Ltd.; John Does 1-3 Defendants.

Case No. 1:12cv1004 (GW/BD)

Plaintiff Microsoft has sued defendants Peng Yang; Bei Te Kang Mu Software Technology, d/b/a Bitcom Ltd.; and John Does 1-3, associated with 3322.org and sub-domains of 3322.org, and the Nitol botnet. Microsoft alleges that Defendants have violated Federal and state law by operating a computer botnet and other malicious software through more than 70,000 sub-domains of 3322.org, causing the unlawful intrusion into, infection of, and further illegal conduct involving, the personal computers of innocent persons, thereby causing harm to these persons, Microsoft, and the public at large. Microsoft seeks a preliminary injunction directing that it be made the authoritative name server for 3322.org in order to block traffic to the sub-domains of 3322.org being used to support Nitol and other malware operations. Microsoft seeks a permanent injunction and damages. Full copies of the pleading documents are available at <http://www.noticesofpleadings.com>.

**NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: READ THESE PAPERS CAREFULLY!** You must "appear" in this case or the other side will win automatically. To "appear" you must file with the court a legal document called a "motion" or "answer." The "motion" or "answer" must be given to the court clerk or administrator within 21 days of the date of first publication specified herein. It must be in proper form and have proof of service on the plaintiff's attorney, Gabriel Ramsey, Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, 1000 March Road, Menlo Park, California, 94025. If you have questions, you should see an attorney immediately. If you need help in finding an attorney, you may call the Virginia State Bar at (800) 775-0800 (in Richmond) or (800) 552-7977 (statewide or nationwide).

原告微软公司 (Microsoft) 对被告 Peng Yang, 贝特康软件技术 (d/b/a Bitcom Ltd.) 有限公司, 以及 3322.org “3322.org”子域名的Nitol僵尸网络相关的不法名目法人 1-3 提出诉讼。微软公司声称被告人违反了联邦和州法律, 损害超过 70,000 余个 3322.org 子域名对计算机僵尸网络和恶意软件放任、进行非法操作、感染个人及无辜者个人电脑的不当行为, 并因此对他人造成、微软公司有一般公众造成损害。微软公司请求法院针对“3322.org”系统项目

# Operation b58: Bamital takedown – February 2013

The Official Microsoft Blog

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## Microsoft and Symantec Take Down Bamital Botnet That Hijacks Online Searches

6 minutes ago

The following is a post from Richard Domingues Boscovich, Associate General Counsel, Microsoft Digital Crimes Unit.

As reported by Reuters earlier today, the Microsoft Digital Crimes Unit, in collaboration with Symantec, has taken down the dangerous Bamital botnet which hijacked people's search results and took them to potentially dangerous websites that could install malware onto their computer, steal their personal information, or fraudulently charge businesses for online advertisement clicks. Microsoft and Symantec's research shows that in the last two years, more than eight million computers have been attacked by Bamital, and that the botnet's search hijacking and click fraud schemes affected many major search engines and browsers, including those offered by Microsoft, Yahoo and Google. Because this threat exploited the search and online advertising platform to harm innocent people, Microsoft and Symantec chose to take action against the Bamital botnet to help protect people and advance cloud security for everyone.

## Exclusive: Software makers disrupt cyber ring, halt searches

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# Operation b58: Bamital takedown



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Malware is a problem. We're here to help.

On this page...

- Why am I here?
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Didn't expect this page?

You were likely trying to conduct a web search before you got to this page. However your computer is believed to be infected with malware known as Bamital which interferes with web search. Please read and follow the instructions on this page to resolve the issue.

Why am I here?

This page is part of Operation b58, a joint effort by Microsoft and Symantec to disrupt a botnet that used the Bamital malware to stealthily hijack online search results and commit online fraud. Malware can also harm your computer and personal information.

For more information on this notice and operation you may visit [www.microsoft.com/b58](http://www.microsoft.com/b58)

What should I do?

In order to correct this problem, you will need to take some steps to improve the security of your computer. Many of the leading anti-malware tools available online can help clean this malware from your computer. We have listed two options from Microsoft and Symantec here, but you can choose and use anti-malware tools from any provider that you trust. If you wish to run one of the free malware removal tools listed below, copy and paste or type either one of the addresses below into your web browser.

**Microsoft Safety Scanner**  
<https://support.microsoft.com/factsafety>

**Norton Power Eraser**  
<http://www.norton.com/bservital>

Getting this process started should take less than 10 minutes and the scan can be completed in generally less than an hour, but may vary depending on your system and software used. You do not need to do anything during the scan.

If you think you already have an anti-malware program on your computer, you should make sure it is up-to-date and perform a full scan.

# DCU Botnet Takedowns and Malware Disruptions

OPERATION Conficker	OPERATION b49 Waledac	OPERATION b107 Rustock	OPERATION b79 Kelihos	OPERATION b71 Zeus	OPERATION b70 Nitol	OPERATION b58 Bamital	OPERATION b54 Citadel	OPERATION b68 ZeroAccess	OPERATION b157 Game over Zeus	OPERATION b106 Bladabindi & Loppyrus	OPERATION b93 Caphaw
February 2010	February 2010	March 2011	September 2011	March 2012	September 2012	February 2013	June 2013	December 2013	June 2014	June 2014	July 2014
Microsoft-lead model of industry-wide efforts	Proving the model of industry-led efforts	Supported by stakeholders across industry sectors	Partnership between Microsoft and security software vendors	Cross-sector partnership with financial services	Nitol was introduced in the supply chain relied on by Chinese consumers	Bamital hijacked people's search results, took victims to dangerous sites	Citadel committed online financial fraud responsible for more than \$500M in losses	ZeroAccess hijacked search results, taking victims to dangerous sites	GameoverZeus (GOZ) was a banking Trojan	Malware using Dynamic DNS for command. It involved password and identity theft, webcam and other privacy invasions.	Caphaw was focused on online financial fraud
<b>Botnet Worm</b>	Severed 70,000-90,000 infected devices from the botnet	Involved US and Dutch law enforcement, and CN-CERT	First operation with named defendant	Focused on disruption because of technical complexity	Settled with operator of malicious domain	Takedown in collaboration with Symantec, proactive notification and cleanup process	Coordinated disruption with public-private sector partnerships upwards of \$2.7 million each month	It cost online advertisers upwards of \$2.7 million each month	Worked in partnership with LE providing Technical Remediation	Over 200 different types of malware impacted.	Coordinated disruption with public-private sector partnerships
	Spam	Spam	Spam, Bitcoin Mining, Distributed Denial of Service Attacks	Identity Theft / Financial Fraud	Malware Spreading Botnet, Distributed Denial of Service Attacks	Advertising Click Fraud	Advertising Click Fraud	Identity Theft / Financial Fraud	Identity Theft / Financial Fraud	Identity Theft / Financial Fraud / Privacy Invasion	Identity Theft / Financial Fraud

# Disrupting Cybercrime - Project MARS

## Quotes

"Microsoft has long led the tech industry fight against the scourge of botnets."

Tom Jowitt/*TechWeekEurope*



"This proves once again that only a company the size of Microsoft can muster the resources and pull to get this kind of sting done."

Andy Patrizio/*Network World*



"Microsoft trumpeted its disruption of the ZeroAccess peer-to-peer botnet late last week, but some experts are holding off on scheduling a celebratory ticker-tape parade."

Michael Mimoso/ *ThreatPost*



"It is not a simple task to take down a decentralized botnet. However, Microsoft's DCU seems to be motivated and their drive to team up with the right law enforcement agencies sounds really promising."

Tommy Chin, CORE Security via Jennifer LeClaire/*CIO Today*



# Notable Coverage and Quotes on Botnets



Spam Network Shut Down



Microsoft gets legal might to target spamming botnets



Microsoft Raids Tackle Internet Crime



Exclusive: Microsoft and Symantec disrupt cyber crime ring



MICROSOFT FINDS MALWARE ON NEW COMPUTERS IN CHINA

"Taking the disruption into the courthouse was a brilliant idea and is helping the rest of the industry to reconsider what actions are possible, and that action is needed and can succeed."

- Richard Perlotto, Shadowserver Foundation, about Microsoft and FS-ISAC's disruption of the Zeus botnets

"Anything which makes life more difficult for the cybercriminals, and disrupts their activities, has to be applauded."

- Graham Cluley, Sophos, about Microsoft's action against the Nitol botnet

"It may be odd seeing a private company take the lead in a law enforcement action, but overall I'm glad it's happening. Shutting down these criminal operations, freeing up the infected computers and prosecuting the cyberscum involved can't happen quickly enough."

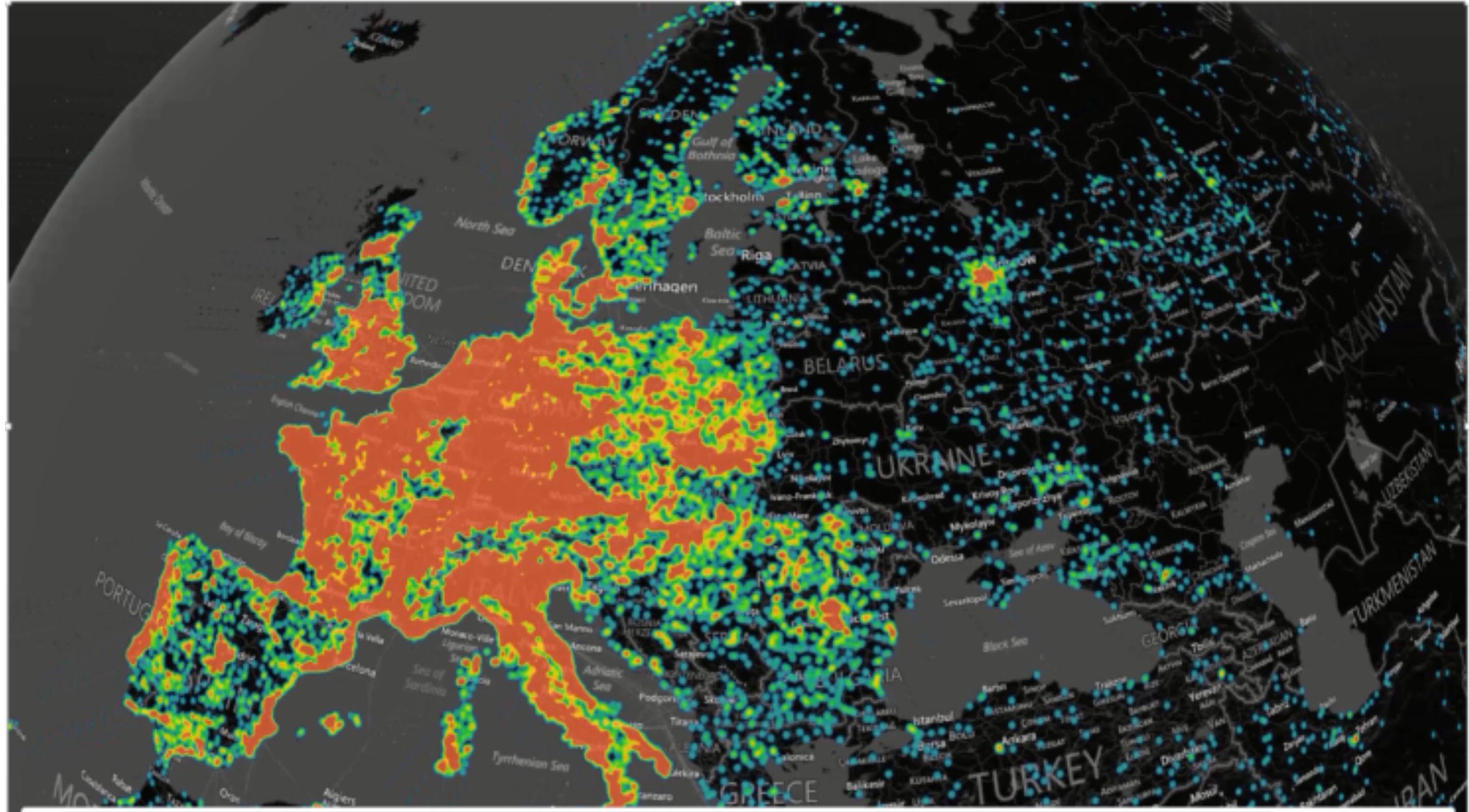
- Dwight Silverman, San Francisco Chronicle, about Microsoft and FS-ISAC's disruption of the Zeus botnets

"Microsoft has done the online world a great service by establishing a repeatable process and a legal framework for taking down botnets and bringing malware distributors to justice."

- Stephen Cobb, ESET Security Evangelist, about Microsoft and FS-ISAC's disruption of the Zeus botnets

## Citadel Malware Infection Pattern WW





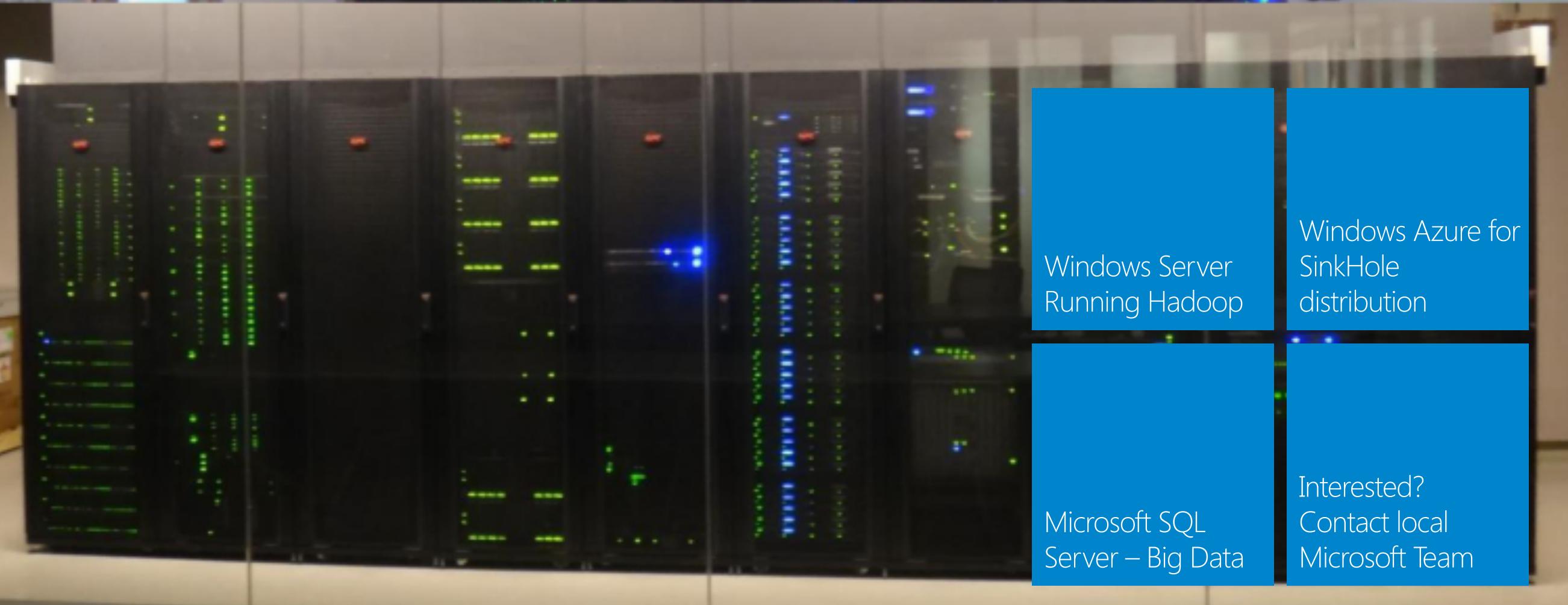
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# Microsoft Cybercrime Center



# Microsoft Cybercrime Center

Redmond



Windows Server  
Running Hadoop

Windows Azure for  
SinkHole  
distribution

Microsoft SQL  
Server – Big Data

Interested?  
Contact local  
Microsoft Team

# Cyber Threat Intelligence Big Data Processing

Year	Month	Day	SourceIP	SRCIP_OCT1	SRCIP_OCT2	SRCIP_OCT3	SRCIP_OCT4	ASN	CountryCode	ThreatName	Latitude	Longitude	Hits
2013	Feb	23	39008591	2	83	57	79AS3243	PT	b70-Generic	39.7477	-8.805	2	
2013	Feb	23	1.05E+09	62	169	122	64AS24698	PT	Rustock	38.7597	-9.2397	8	
2013	Feb	23	1.37E+09	81	193	128	224AS3243	PT	Conficker	38.7167	-9.1333	18	
2013	Feb	23	1.39E+09	82	154	189	52AS3243	PT	Conficker	37.1366	-8.5398	4	
2013	Feb	23	1.44E+09	85	138	33	195AS12542	PT	Conficker	38.7167	-9.1333	6	
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2013	Feb	23	3.17E+09	188	250	70	43AS3243	PT	Conficker	39.7477	-8.805	10	

## Fast Facts:

- The C-TIP collection tier processes ~700 million events per day (~5% capacity)
- We add over 150 million events to the database each day
- We are tracking ~ 3 million infected IP addresses daily
- We are capable of distributing “real time” feeds to 1000’s of entities
- We can filter on any attribute we collect at line speed

QUERY ▾ FILTERING ▾

GLOBAL TRAFFIC

Built in the Microsoft Cloud:  
Azure Compute, Azure Storage,  
Elasticsearch.org Kibana,  
Excel PowerMap



Scalable: ~150 million infected IPs;  
>1 billion pings daily in 12 months

Country	Value	Action
dz	28795	Q.
cn	28840	Q.
ph	19113	Q.
ve	18709	Q.
sa	12891	Q.
Other values	288324	

VOLUME BY INTERVAL

View ▾ | Zoom Out | \* (705453) count per fs | (705453 hits)

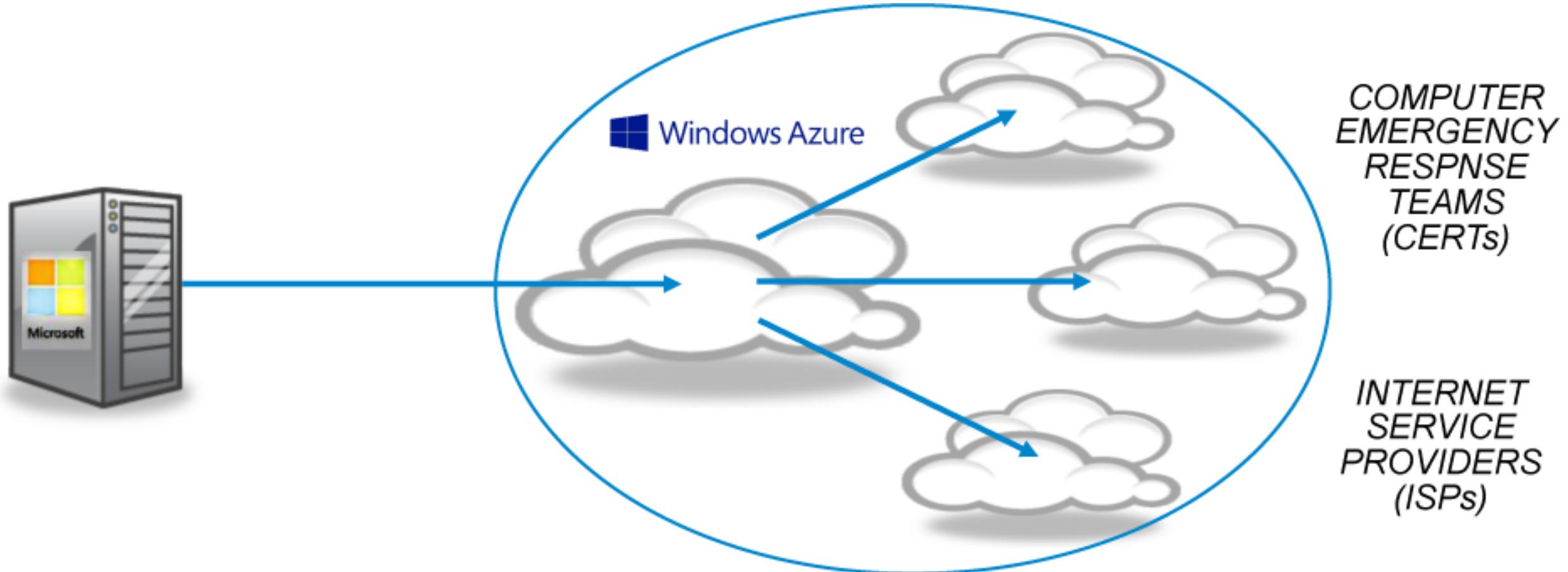


70 million infected IPs;  
600 million pings daily

TOTAL VOLUME

705453

# C-TIP Feed Distribution



# C-TIP Botnet Feeds sharing with

Microsoft partners with financial services industry on fight against cybercrime

Posted September 29, 2014 by [Richard Domingues Boscovich](#) - Assistant General Counsel, Microsoft Digital Crimes Unit



New collaboration with the Financial Services Information Sharing and Analysis Center (FS-ISAC) to share cyber-threat intelligence, free of charge, to better protect our mutual customers and partners

Through this pilot program, Microsoft will make its [Cyber Threat Intelligence Program feed](#) available to participating FS-ISAC members, which will receive near real-time information on known malware infections affecting more than 67 million unique IP address

# Technologies used by Digital Crime Unit



Microsoft SQL Server



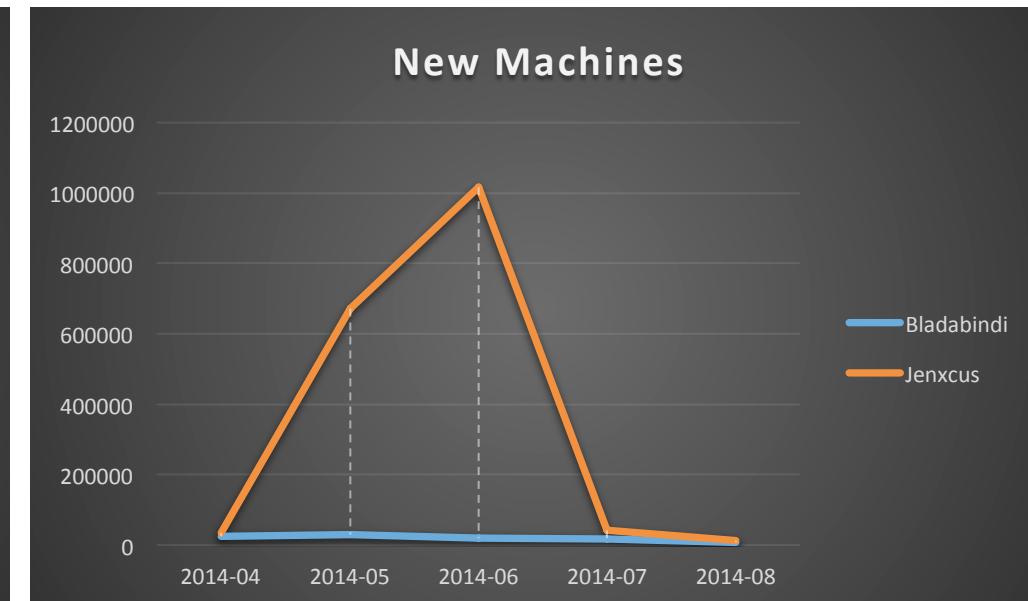
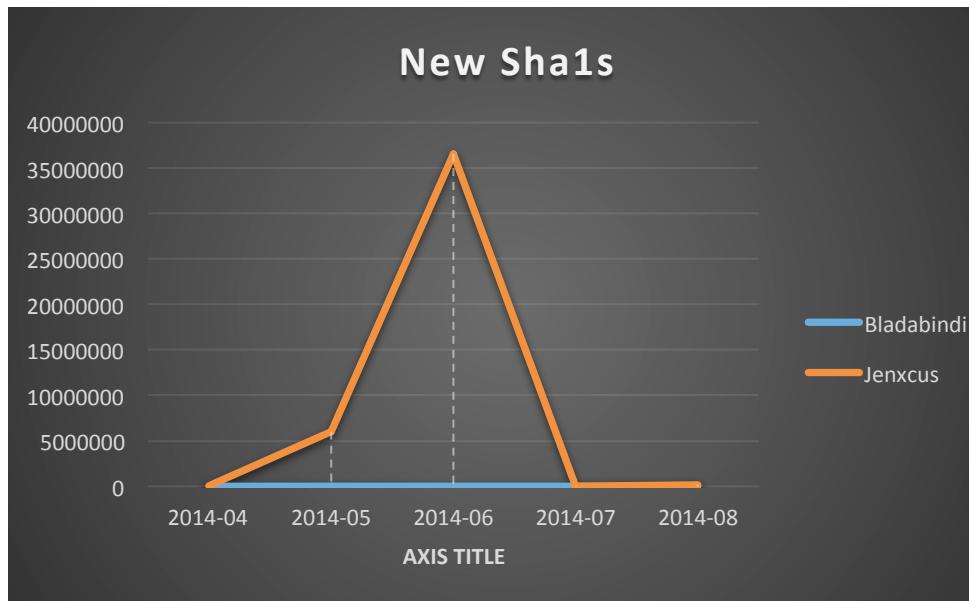
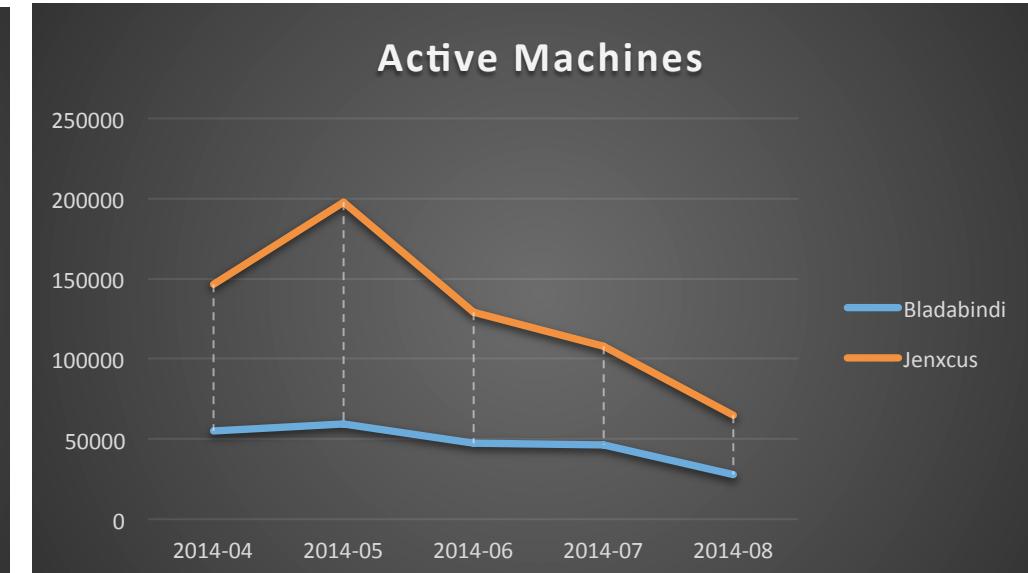
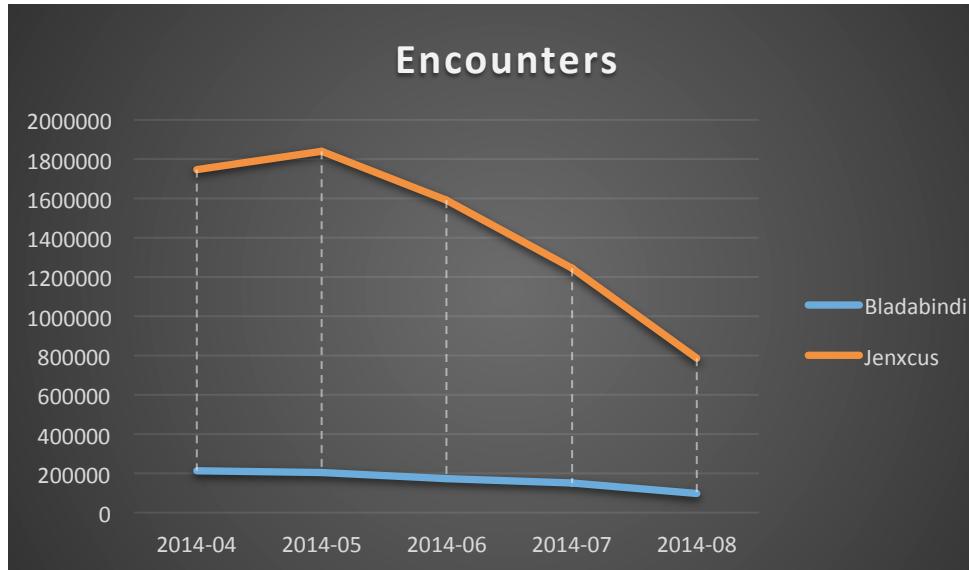


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Partnering with Microsoft's Technology Centers, we will have a Cybercrime Center presence in more than 30 locations.

# Threat Ecosystem – Impact of DCU Operations



Description : Encounters spread sheet is telemetry spreadsheet that contains detailed information about threats including encounters, remediation and new samples

# Anti-Botnet Operation B106 Summary

**42,867,639**

Unique IPs

**239**

Countries

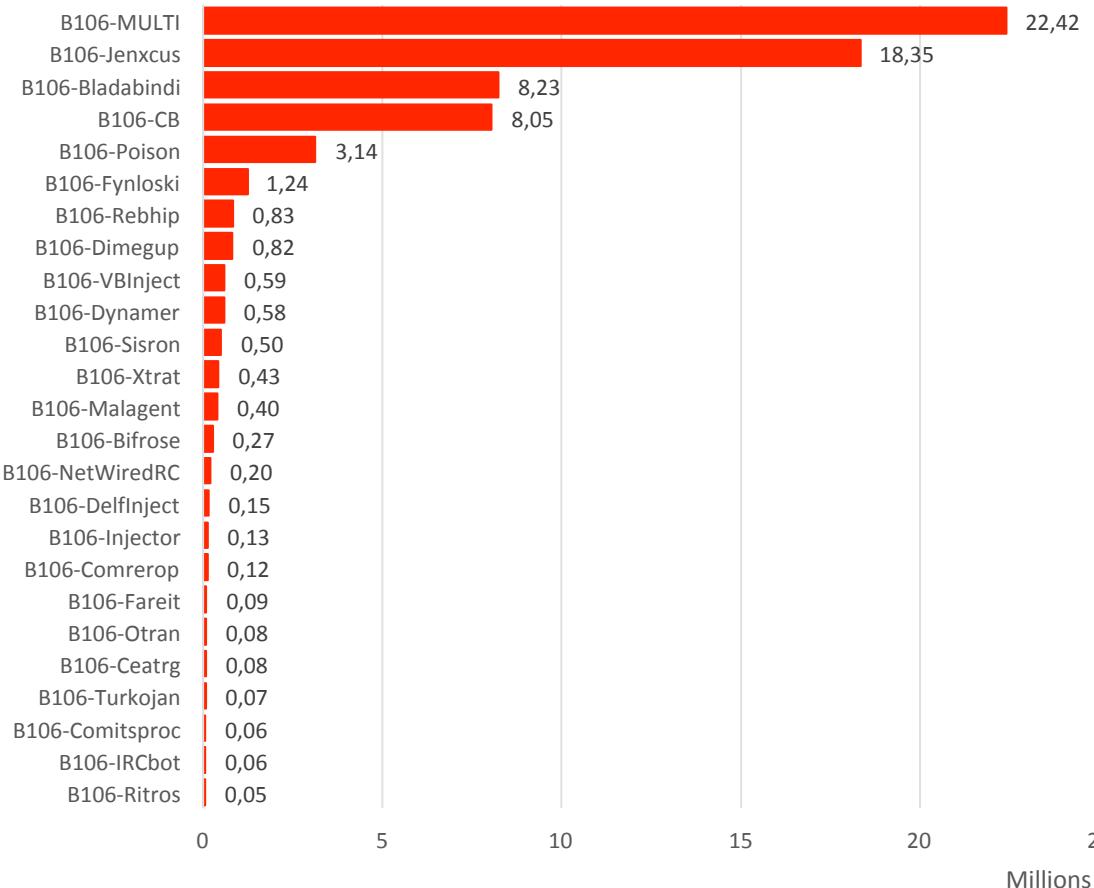
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Threats

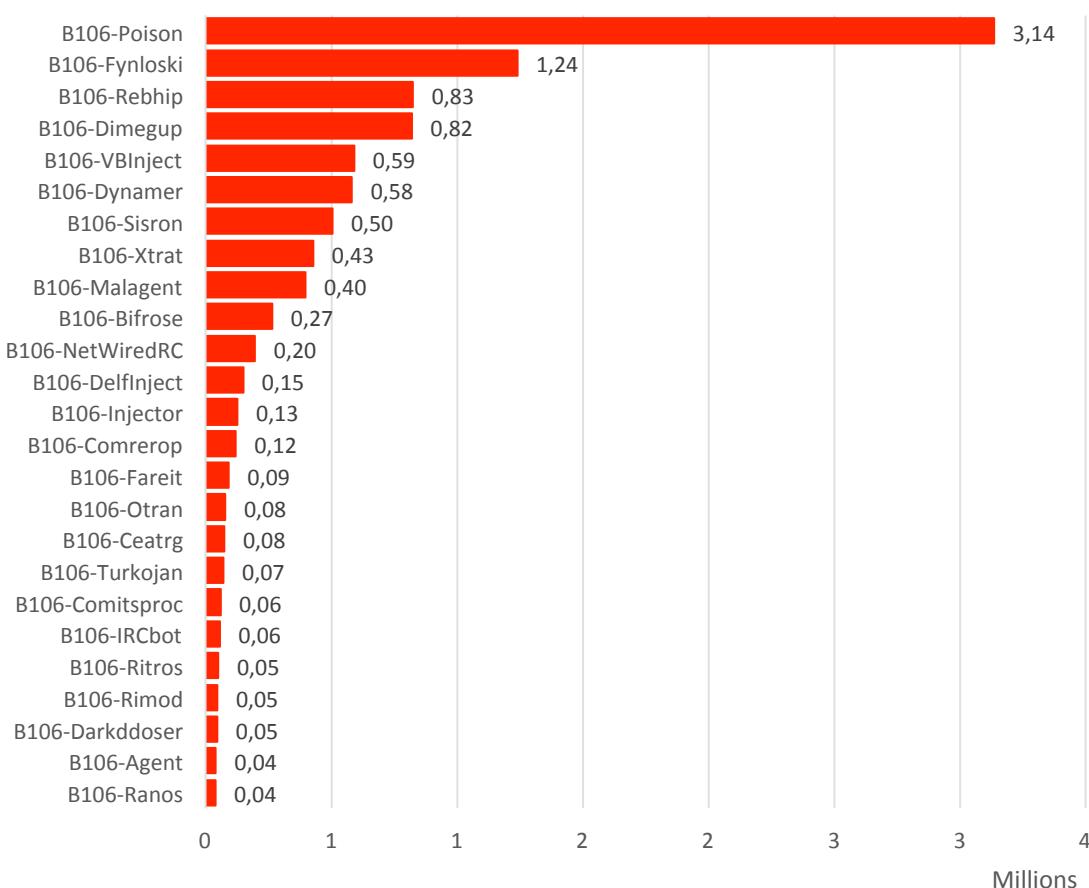


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## Top 25 Threats

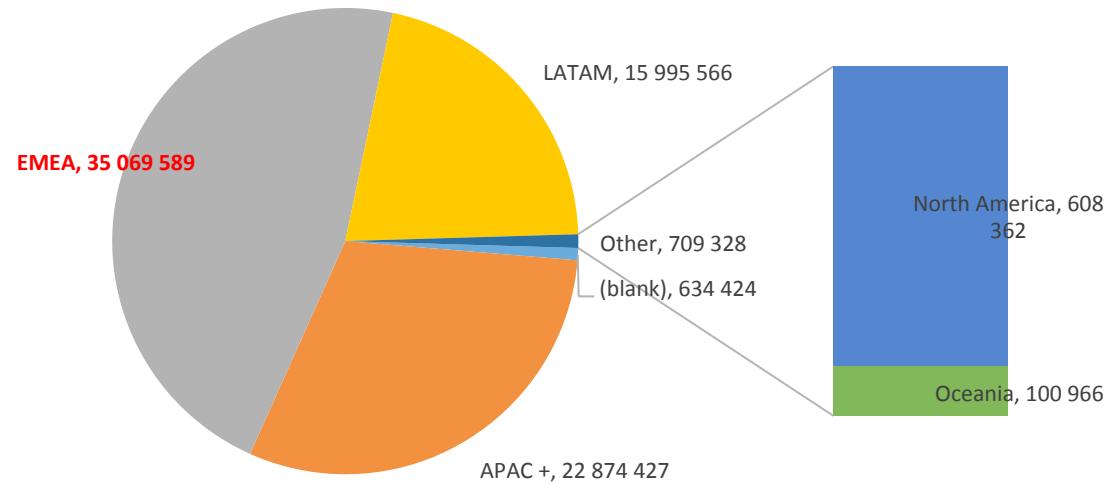


## Top 25 Threats without Bladabindi & Jenxcus

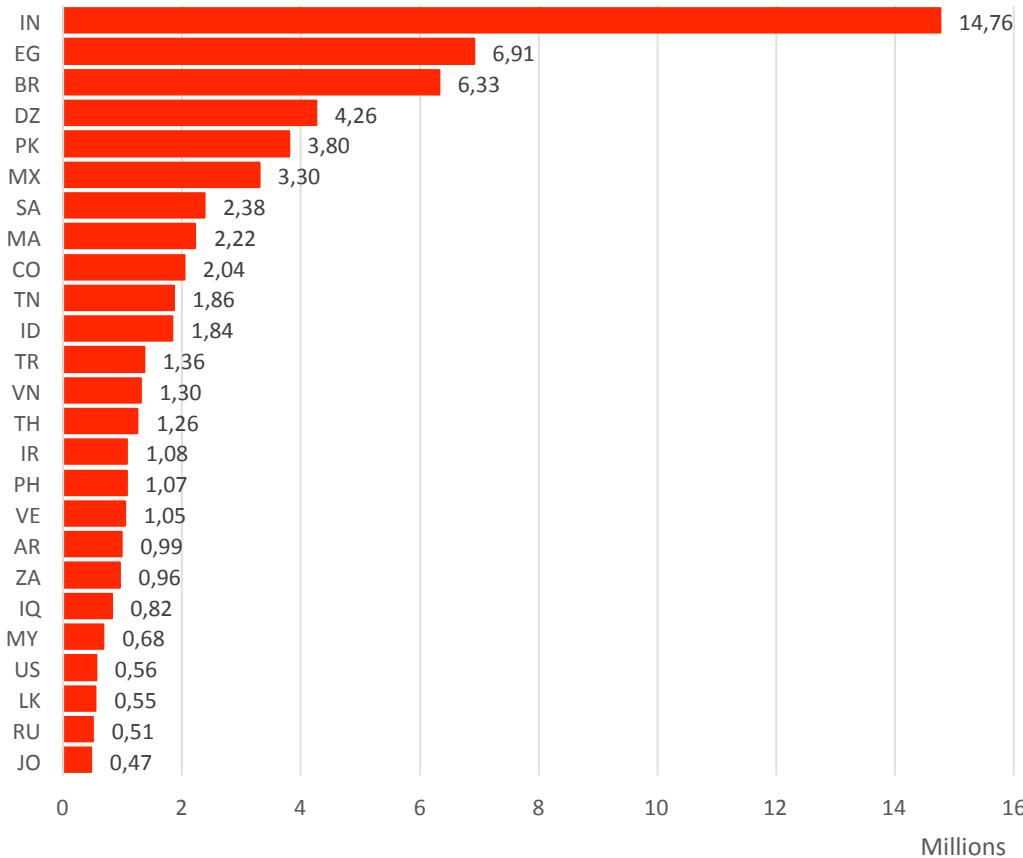


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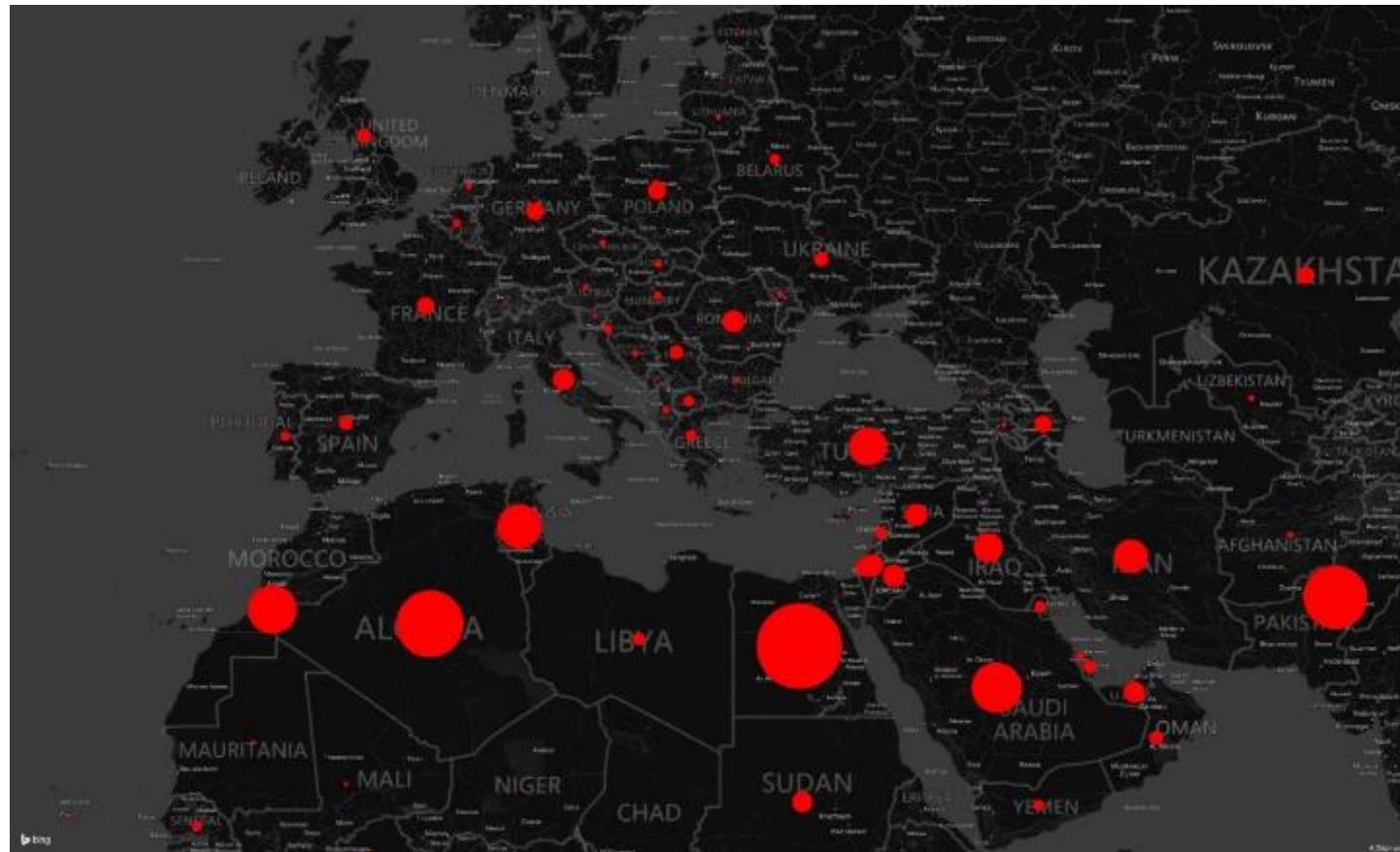
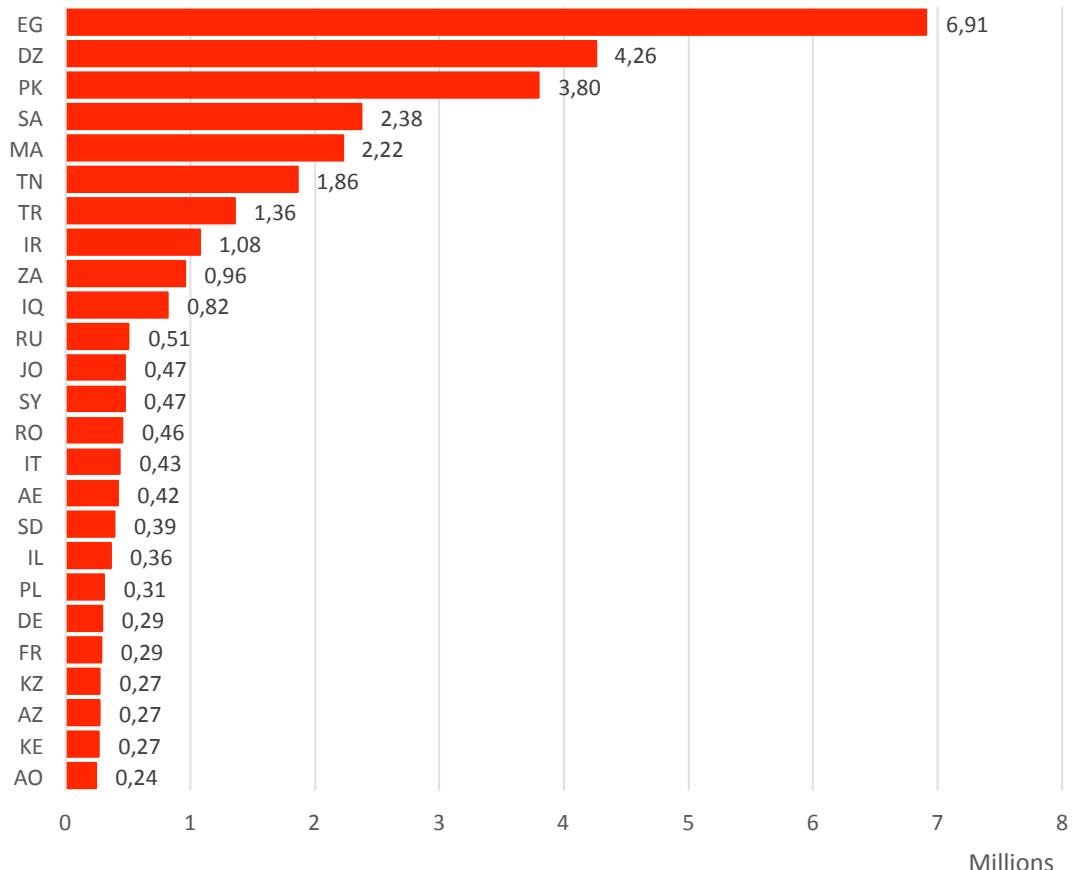
## Threats by Continent



## Top 25 Infected Countries



# B106 Top 25 Infected Countries EMEA



# Microsoft Digital Crimes Unit

Infection Map for Central and Eastern Europe

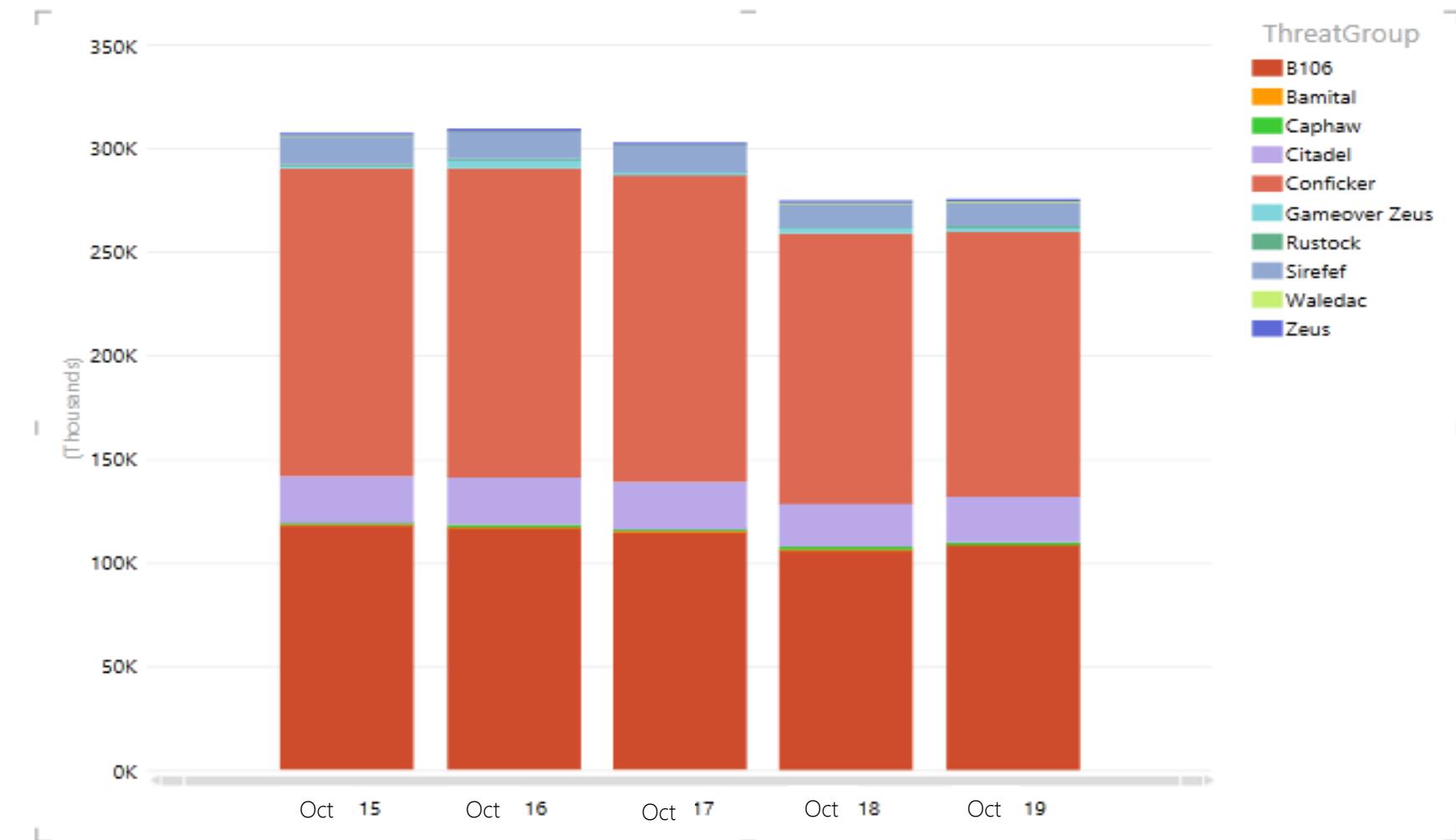


# Central and Eastern Europe Overview

Distinct IPs  
by Threat and Date

The time frame  
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-19<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

The graphic  
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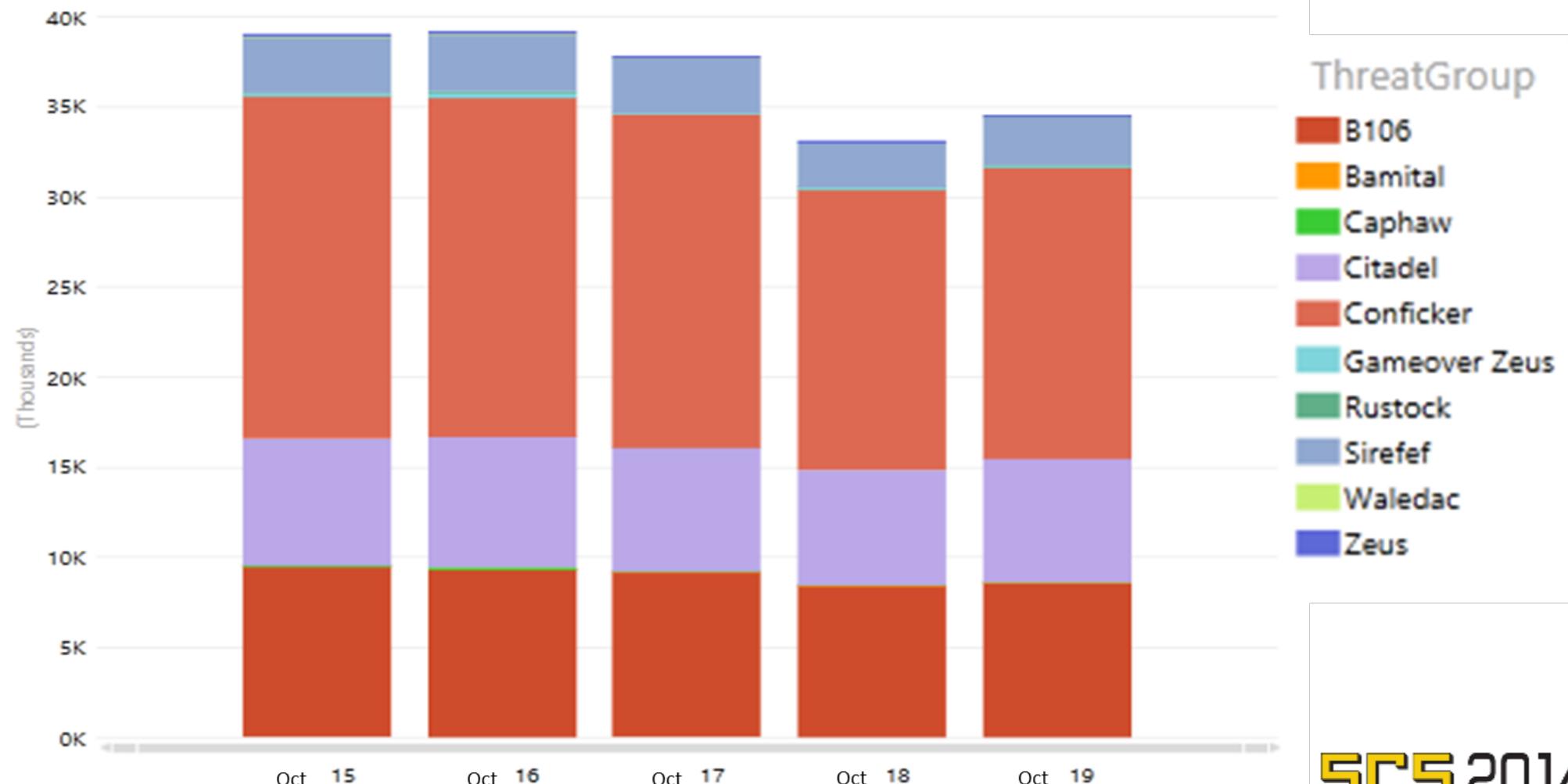


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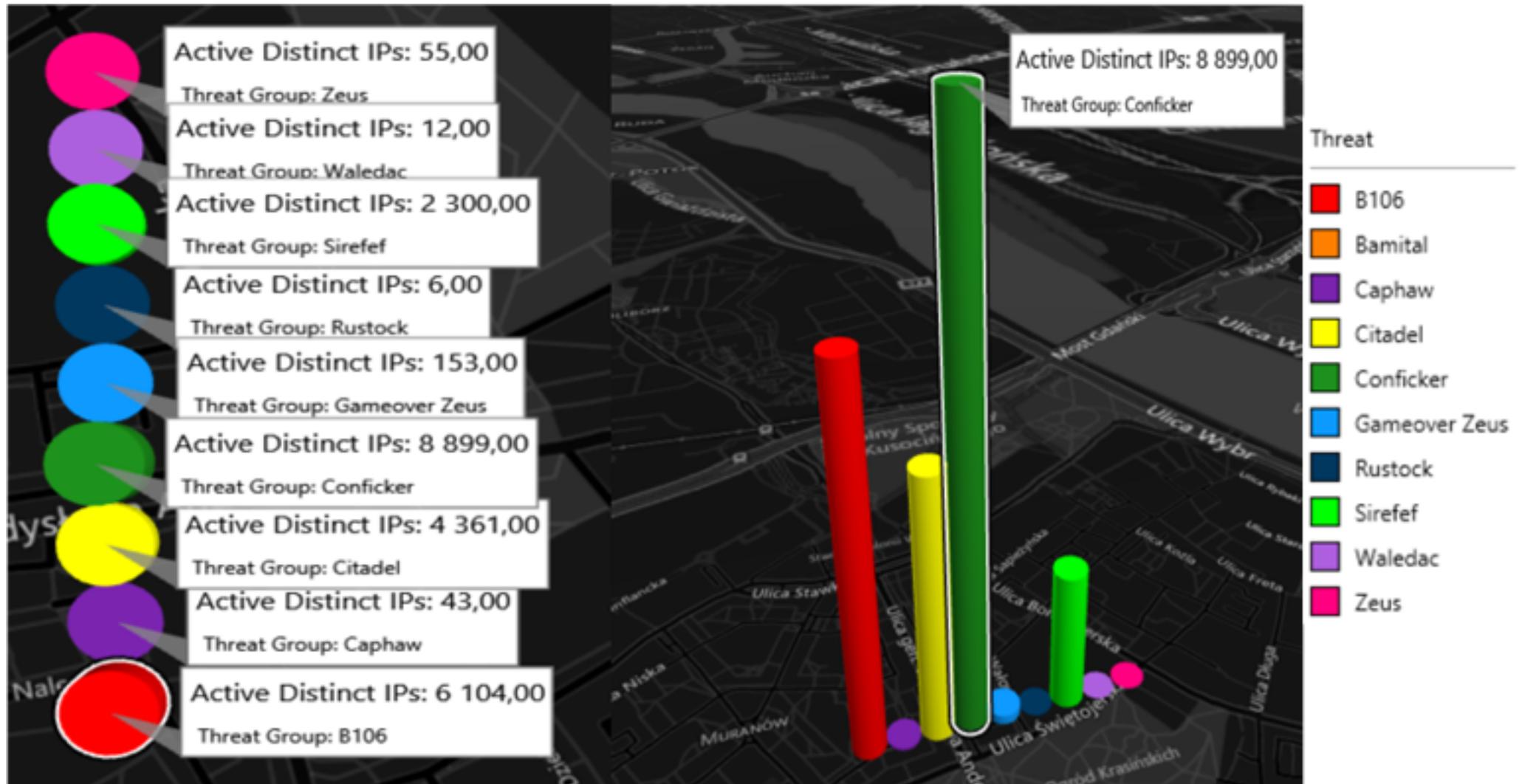
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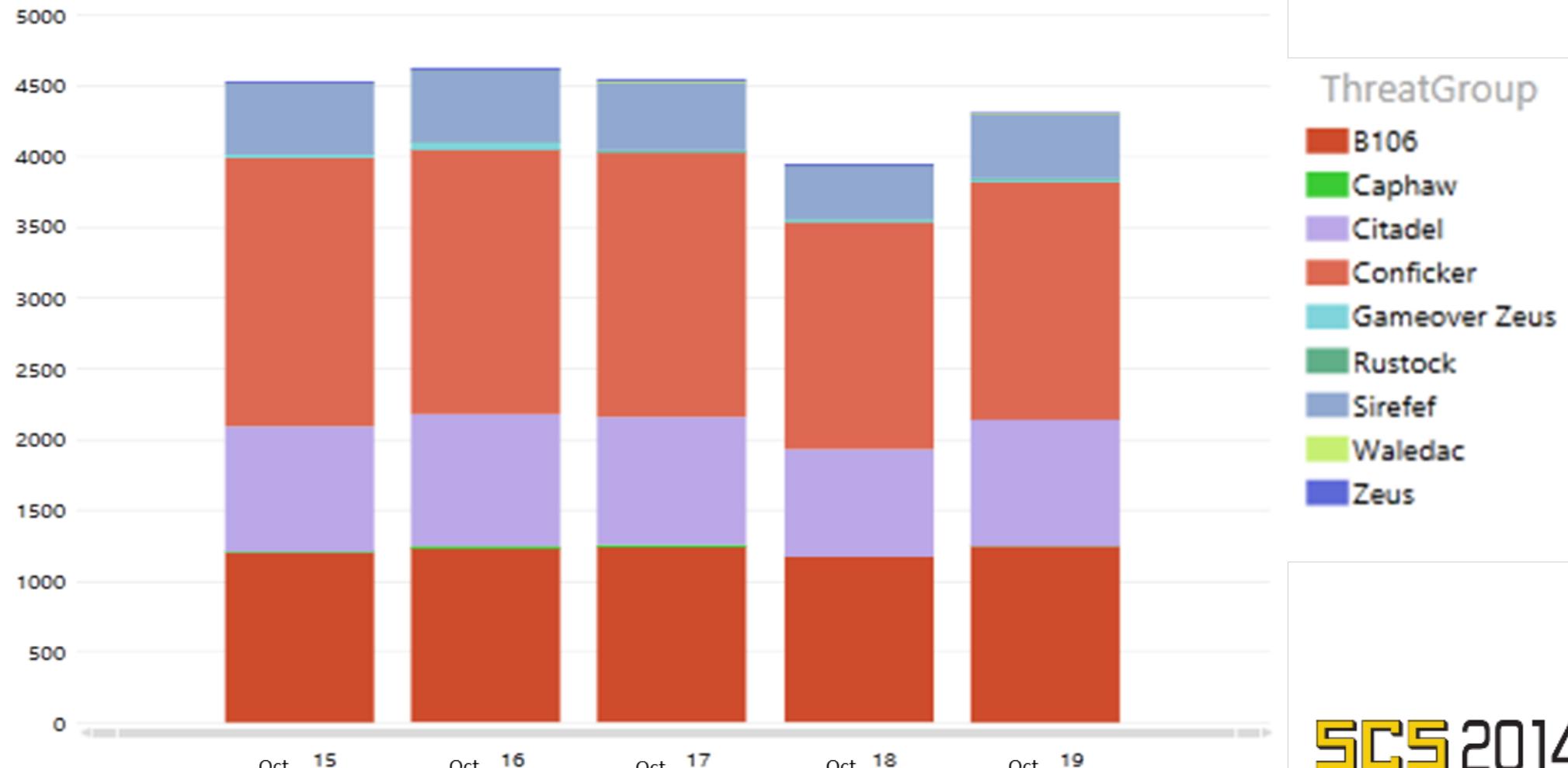


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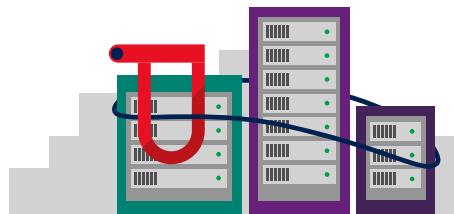
# Most Common Malware Threats in Warsaw

## OPERATION Conficker

February 2010

This family of worms can disable several important Windows services and security products. They can also download files and run malicious code on your PC if you have file sharing enabled

Botnet Worm

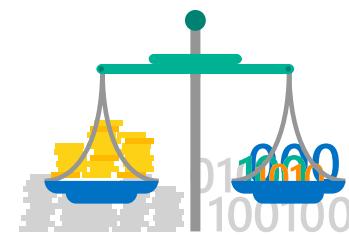


## OPERATION b54 Citadel

June 2013

Citadel committed online financial fraud responsible for more than \$500M in losses Coordinated disruption with public-private sector partnerships to combat cybercrime

Identity Theft / Financial Fraud



## OPERATION b68 ZeroAccess/Sirefef

December 2013

ZeroAccess or Sirefef hijacked search results, taking victims to dangerous sites

It cost online advertisers upwards of \$2.7 million each month

Advertising Click Fraud



## OPERATION b106 Bladabindi & Jenxcus

June 2014

Malware using Dynamic DNS for command. It involved password and identity theft, webcam and other privacy invasions Over 200 different types of malware impacted by the take down

Identity Theft / Financial Fraud / Privacy Invasion



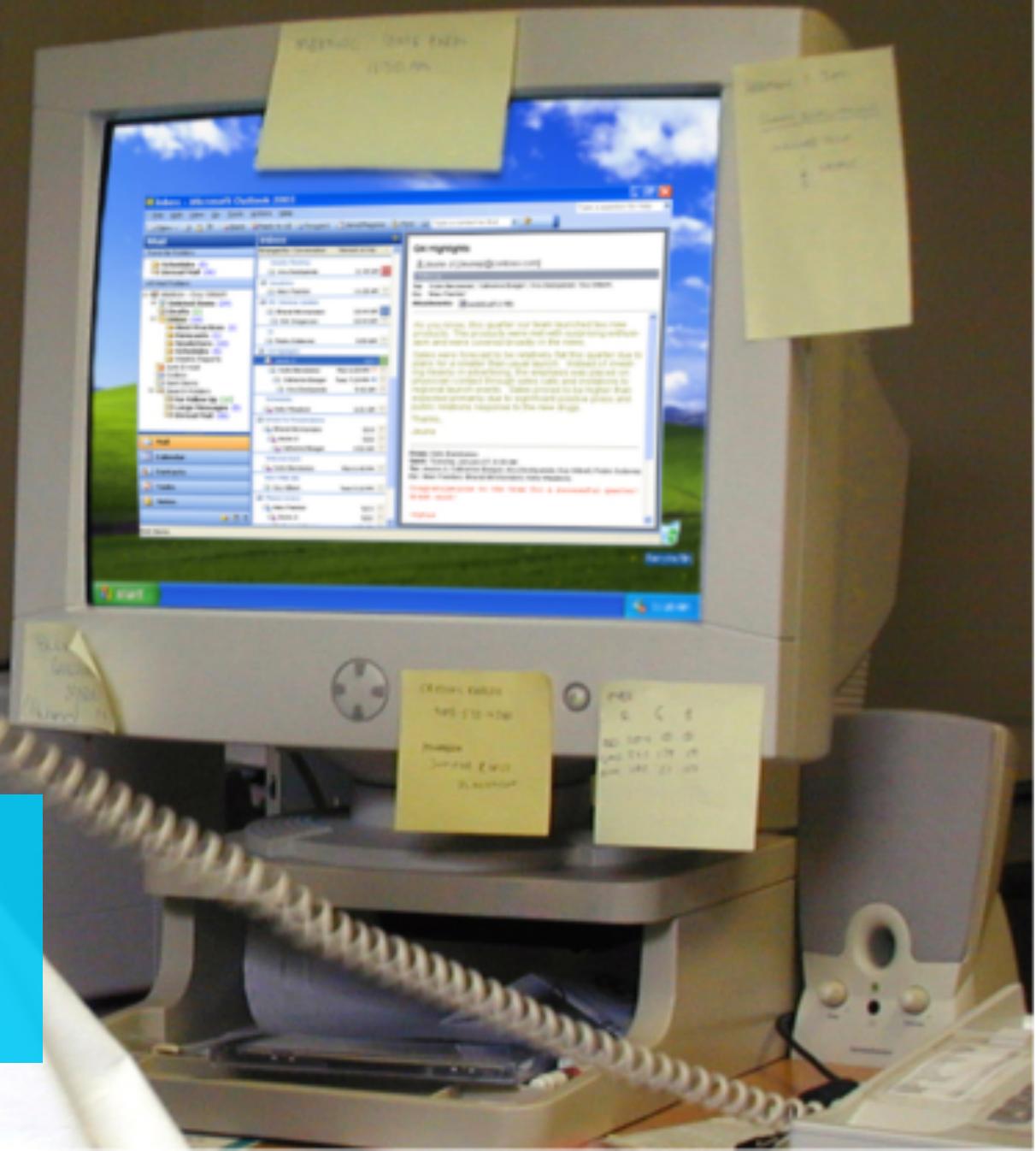


Botnets in September - October 2014

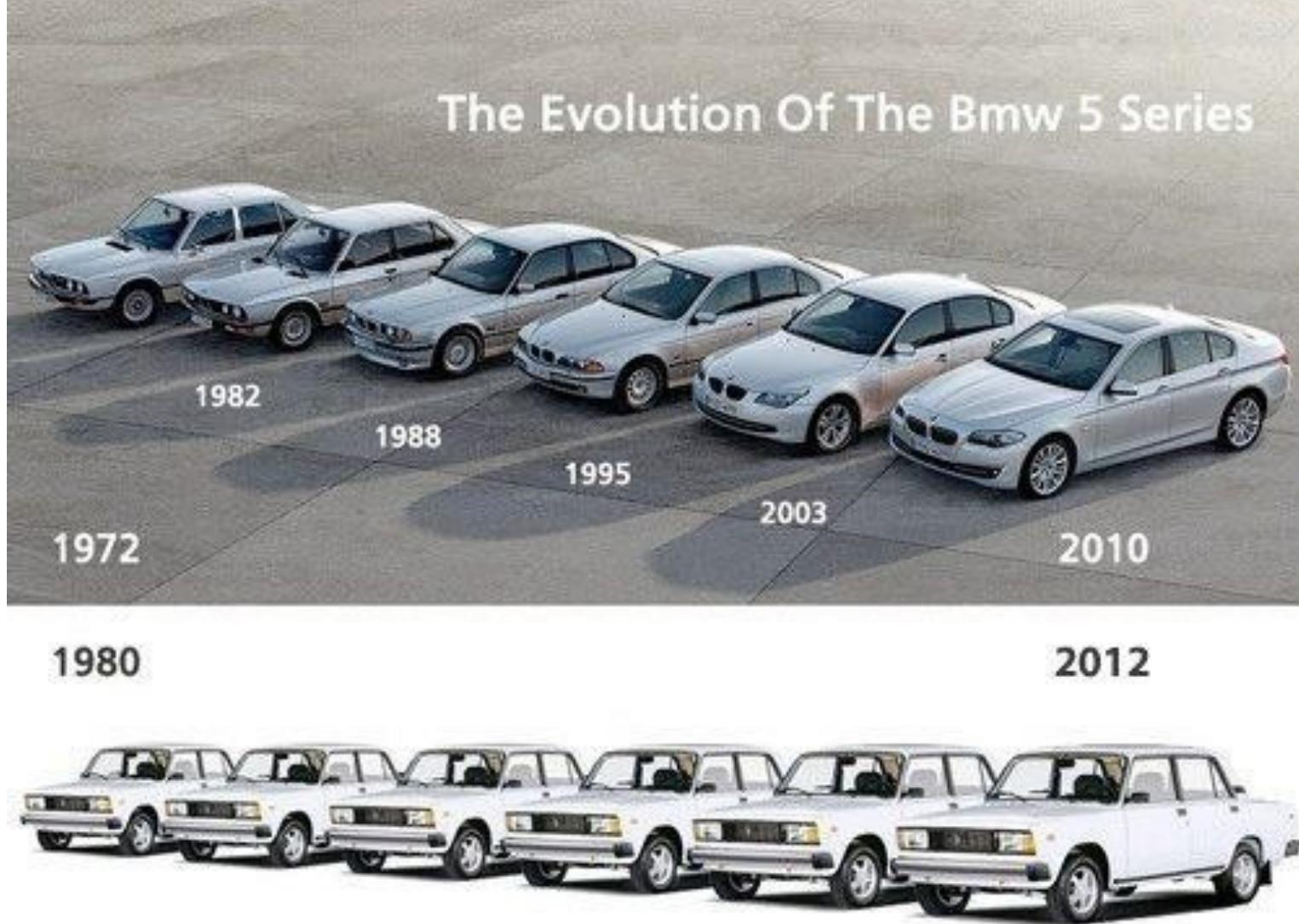
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Workstyle 2001...  
still valid in 2014?



Software security does not follow the Lada car evolution model...



LADA. Perfect From The Beginning



# Already Retired Windows XP

Eliminate risks of Windows XP  
End of Support

Deployment tools and services  
available to assist in migration

Blog post from Tim Rains around the  
risks of XP after EOL:

<http://blogs.technet.com/b/security/archive/2013/08/06/the-risk-of-running-windows-xp-after-support-ends.aspx>

# What Windows Server 2003 End of Support means

No  
updates

No  
compliance

Lack of PCI  
compliance  
could mean  
that Visa and  
MasterCard  
will no longer  
do business  
with your  
organization

Now  
is the time to act

37 critical updates released  
in 2013 for Windows Server 2003/  
R2

Discontinued support  
for many applications

Migrate before July 2015

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# CERT.GOV.PL info on Windows Server 2003 End of Support

**Koniec wsparcia dla Windows Server 2003**

W ramach współpracy prowadzonej przez Microsoft i Agencję Bezpieczeństwa Wewnętrznego w programie SCP (Security Cooperation Program), którego jednym z elementów jest podnoszenie świadomości społecznej w zakresie security, informowanie o zagrożeniach w zakresie bezpieczeństwa teleinformatycznego oraz proaktywne przekształcanie im, przypominamy, że 14 lipca 2015 roku zakończy się wsparcie dla następujących produktów Microsoft: Windows Server 2003.

**CO TO OZNACZA W PRAKTYCE:**

Po **14 lipca 2015 r.** nie będą udostępniane nowe poprawki zabezpieczeń, poprawki niedotyczące zabezpieczeń, bezpłatne lub płatne wsparcie techniczne i aktualizacje zawartości technicznej online. Dla systemów, które z różnych powodów nie będą gotowe do przejścia na nowszą platformę po 14 lipca 2015 r. Microsoft przygotowuje płatną usługę wsparcia, której koszty będą wyższe niż standardowa oferta tego typu.

**Działanie Windows Server 2003 w danym środowisku po upływie daty zakończenia świadczenia wsparcia technicznego może narazić organizację i jej użytkowników na poważne zagrożenia dotyczące bezpieczeństwa** - środowiska oparte na systemach operacyjnych i produktach bez wsparcia technicznego i dostępnych poprawek są bardziej narażone i bardziej podatne na zagrożenia związane z bezpieczeństwem teleinformatycznym. Może to prowadzić do łatwego ataku i przeniknięcia do sieci danego środowiska, w którym znajdują się niewspierane systemy, jego penetracji, kradzieży danych czy też pełnego przejęcia przez zorganizowane grupy cyberprzestępco - systemy i aplikacje działające w sieciach administracji publicznej „cieszą się” ich szczególnym zaainteresowaniem. Windows Server to produkt, na którym wciąż jest oparta spora część infrastruktury administracji publicznej.

# Summary

# Summary - Security foundation



Mobility



Cloud



Collaboration  
and Social



Big Data

## 4 Security Essentials

Run Latest Microsoft & Third Party Products  
Implement Good Patch Management Practices

Align Active Directory to Current Threat Environment  
Assess Threats & Countermeasures of IT Infrastructure and Operational Practices

Implement Secure Software Development Practices

Foundation

Configuration Management

Access Control

Information Protection

Attack surface reduction

Endpoint Protection

Fundamental Security

Response

Prevention

Detection

Containment

Recovery

Cybersecurity



Administration



Authentication



Identity



Authorization

# Useful Cybersecurity Resources

Security Response Center <a href="http://www.microsoft.com/security/msrc">www.microsoft.com/ security/msrc</a>	Security Intelligence Report <a href="http://www.microsoft.com/security/sir">www.microsoft.com/ security/sir</a>	Security Development Lifecycle <a href="http://www.microsoft.com/sdl">www.microsoft.com/ sdl</a>	Security TechCenter <a href="http://technet.microsoft.com/security">technet.microsoft.com/ security</a>	Microsoft Security Update Guide <a href="http://www.microsoft.com/securityupdateguide">www.microsoft.com/ securityupdateguide</a>
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# **SECURITY CASE STUDY 2014**

## **How the largest botnets were been taken down – the case studies**

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