

### RiskIQ i3:

# COVID-19 Daily Update

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## Methodology

The information provided in this report is limited to open source and publicly available data discovered through standard, commonly known browsing techniques and keyword searches. To provide efficient results, RiskIQ may use websites that require payment in exchange for aggregation of data that is otherwise publicly available without payment and could be obtained by anyone accessing the correct sites or engaging the correct third parties to obtain the information. Information presented in this report is cross-checked against multiple sources for full verification; however, some assessments and conclusions are based on incomplete information and represent the RiskIQ analyst's judgment based on patterns and data available.

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## **Digital Exploitation**

As reported on 05/01/2020 in the last few weeks, there has been an upswing in people receiving threatening, <u>extortion</u> email messages, demanding payment to avoid release of sensitive information. According to research by Malwarebytes Labs, the messages are fake, there is no malware involved, and the most important response is to change your password.

IBM X-Force discovered actors targeting email recipients with <u>fake messages</u> that claim to be from the department to inform people of changes to the FMLA, which gives employees the right to family-leave medical benefits. Instead, the emails include malicious attachments aimed at installing TrickBot malware which can allow attackers to gain complete control of the device.

Threat actors are using the COVID-19 pandemic to <u>impersonate financial institutions</u> on Instagram, according to Security Boulevard reporting. The threat actor creates a private Instagram account referencing COVID-19 using the financial institution's name, its logo, and a link to its legitimate website. The victims receive a direct message from the fake account claiming their profile has been selected to receive a gift and subsequently requests account and password information.

Newly published telemetry data collected by the researchers at Bitdefender suggests that U.S. reports of coronavirus-themed <u>malware</u> threat activity have been heaviest in states where testing has increased and the total number of confirmed infections has grown. According to SC Media reporting, the same trend holds for countries that have been hit hardest by the pandemic.



## New Blacklist Data

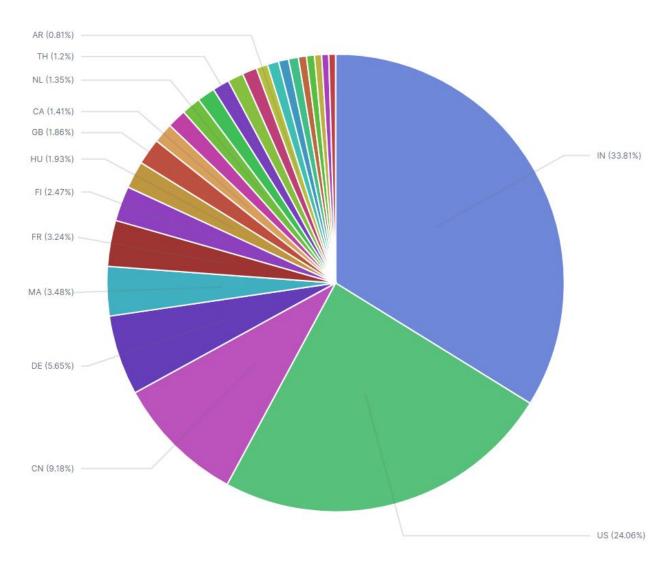
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hxxps://covid19healthstores[.]com/



### **COVID-19 Email Spam Statistics**

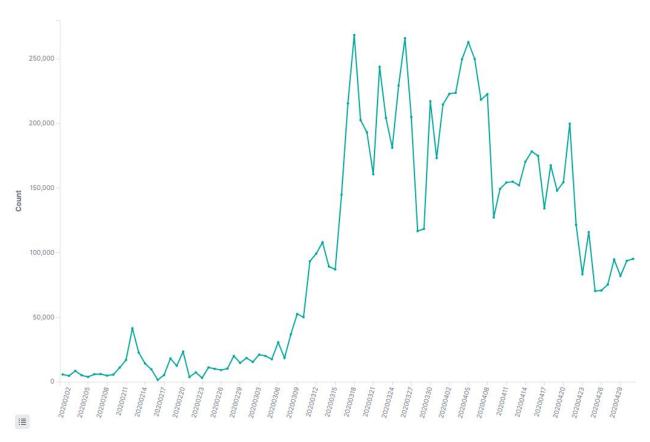
RiskIQ analyzed its spam box feed for the time period of 05/01/2020-05/02/2020. During this period, RiskIQ analyzed 95,173 spam emails containing either "\*corona\*" or "\*covid\*" in the subject line. There were 11,008 unique subject lines observed during the reporting period. The spam emails originated from 7,184 unique sending email domains and 9,571 unique SMTP IP Addresses. Analysts identified 0 emails which sent an executable file for Windows machines.



Spam emails by country of origin

CONFIDENTIAL





Spam emails by volume since February 1, 2020



#### Top 25 Subjects

- 1. 22,801 Let's fight Corona with Aarogya Setu! Download Now!
- 4,028 Welche Maske sollten Sie gegen das Coronavirus tragen? Hier die Informationen und alles Wissenswerte
- 3. 4.011 Corona is not controllable
- 4. 3,332 We fight together against COVID-19
- 5. 3,038 <redacted>, Collect ""COVID-19"" Aid Now
- 6. 2,973 The Corona Letter: Aarogya for all
- 7. 1,409 COVID-19: Earning from Home while we Stay safe and Away from the Coronavirus...
- 975 CENTRAL BANK OF NIGERIA ( DEAR BENEFICIARY YOUR ABANDON FUNDS WILL BE USE FOR COVID 19 FUNDING BY THE WORLD GOVERNOR BODIES.... CLAIM YOUR FUNDS)
- 9. 967 For those who fight against COVID-19
- 10. 953 อิ่มซ้อป...อิ่มบูญ! ช้อปสินค้าศิลปินดังมากมาย ""ปันน้ำใจ สู้ภัย Covid-19"" ได้แล้ววันนี้!!
- 11. 921 Messaggio importante COVID-19
- 12. 800 COVID-19 EMERGENCY DELIVERY OF YOUR CONSIGNMENT BOX TODAY.
- 13. 761 Material Médico & Prevención Covid 19
- 14. 726 Covid-19-Hilfsspende von Frances und Patrick Connolly.
- 15. 600 Relief Funds For Covid 19
- 16. 595 Implementación y protocolos de prevención del Coronavirus en Seguridad Salud en El Trabajo
- 17. 559 Mask factory / covid19 protective products Sales
- 18. 554 Redeem Your SBSA COVID-19 Financial Relief Funds Today!
- 19. 496 Covid-19 Relief Donation From Frances and Patrick Connolly
- 20. 467 Protect yourself and your family during the COVID-19 outbreak
- 21. 459 Ultra Wifi Provides Faster Internet during COVID-19
- 450 Efektywny zarząd w dobie kryzysu i COVID-19 PRIORYTETY działania



- 23. 445 Covid-19 Reliefdonatie van Frances en Patrick Connolly.
- 24. 430 SASB-COVID-19 Payment Relief Funds Approved
- 25. 409 Sheryll Goedert - Covid-19 Aid

#### Top 10 IP Addresses

- 1. 4,010 50.3.104.55
- 2. 3,038 81.192.231.96
- 3. 2,055 95.217.93.176
- 4. 1,416 164.100.13.81
- 5. 1,409 45.95.168.90
- 6. 1,367 164.100.13.85
- 7. 1,365 164.100.13.82
- 8. 1,360 164.100.13.83
- 9. 1,307 164.100.13.84
- 10. 1,071 164.100.13.94

#### Top 10 Domains (RDNS)

- 1. 3,038 adsl-96-231-192-81[.]adsl2[.]iam[.]net[.]ma
- 2. 2,055 static[.]176[.]93[.]217[.]95[.]clients[.]your-server[.]de
- 3. 1,416 vastu13081[.]nic[.]in
- 4. 1,409 ad[.]admindesk[.]email
- 5. 1,367 vastu13085[.]nic[.]in
- 6. 1,365 vastu13082[.]nic[.]in
- 7. 1,360 vastu13083[.]nic[.]in
- 8. 1,307 vastu13084[.]nic[.]in
- 9. 1,071 vastu13094[.]nic[.]in
- 10. 1,069 vastu13091[.]nic[.]in

# Top Subjects Containing Attachments with Executable Files for Windows Machines (PE/EXEs)

There were no emails containing PE/EXEs discovered during the reporting period.



# Top Countries Sending SPAM - Covid/Coronavirus Contained in Subjects (by Geolocation on SMTP IP Address)

1.	29,677 IN
2.	21,118 US
3.	8,054 CN
4.	4,956 DE
5.	3,056 MA
6.	2,845 FR
7.	2,171 FI
8.	1,692 HU
9.	1,632 GB
10.	. 1,242 CA
11.	. 1,185 JP
12.	. 1,182 NL
13.	. 1,101 IT

14. 1,050 TH
15. 971 LT
16. 906 VN
17. 713 AR
18. 703 IE
19. 624 BD
20. 610 KR
21. 501 ES
22. 495 BR
23. 441 BE
24. 435 CL
25. 419 RU



### COVID-19 Host, Domain, and Mobile App Tracking

RiskIQ gathers data relating to newly-observed hosts and domains containing COVID-19, COVID19, or Coronavirus in the host or domain name and mobile apps containing COVID-19, COVID19, or Coronavirus in the title or description. A summary of data collected is contained in this section.

#### **Domains and Hosts**

Domains: 75,638 Hosts: 6,132

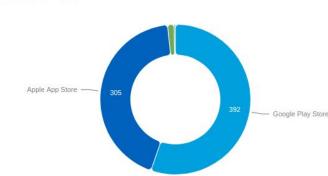
Hosts and Domains with Potential Mail Servers: 287

Email-Capable Domains and Hosts: 27,463 Live Hosts and Domains Not Parked: 34,905

#### Mobile Apps

- Apps in Official Stores: 707 (See Graph)
  - a. Google Play Store: 392b. Apple App Store: 305c. Windows Phone: 9
  - d. Amazon: 1

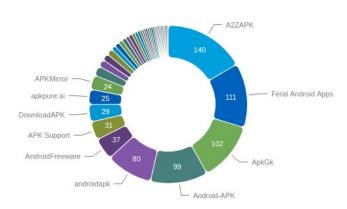
#### Apps on Official Stores



- 2. Apps in Secondary/Hybrid Stores: 802 (See Graph)
- Blacklisted Mobile Apps by Store Type:

a. Secondary: 28b. Hybrid: 1c. Official: 1

#### Apps on Secondary and Hybrid Stores by store





## **End Report**