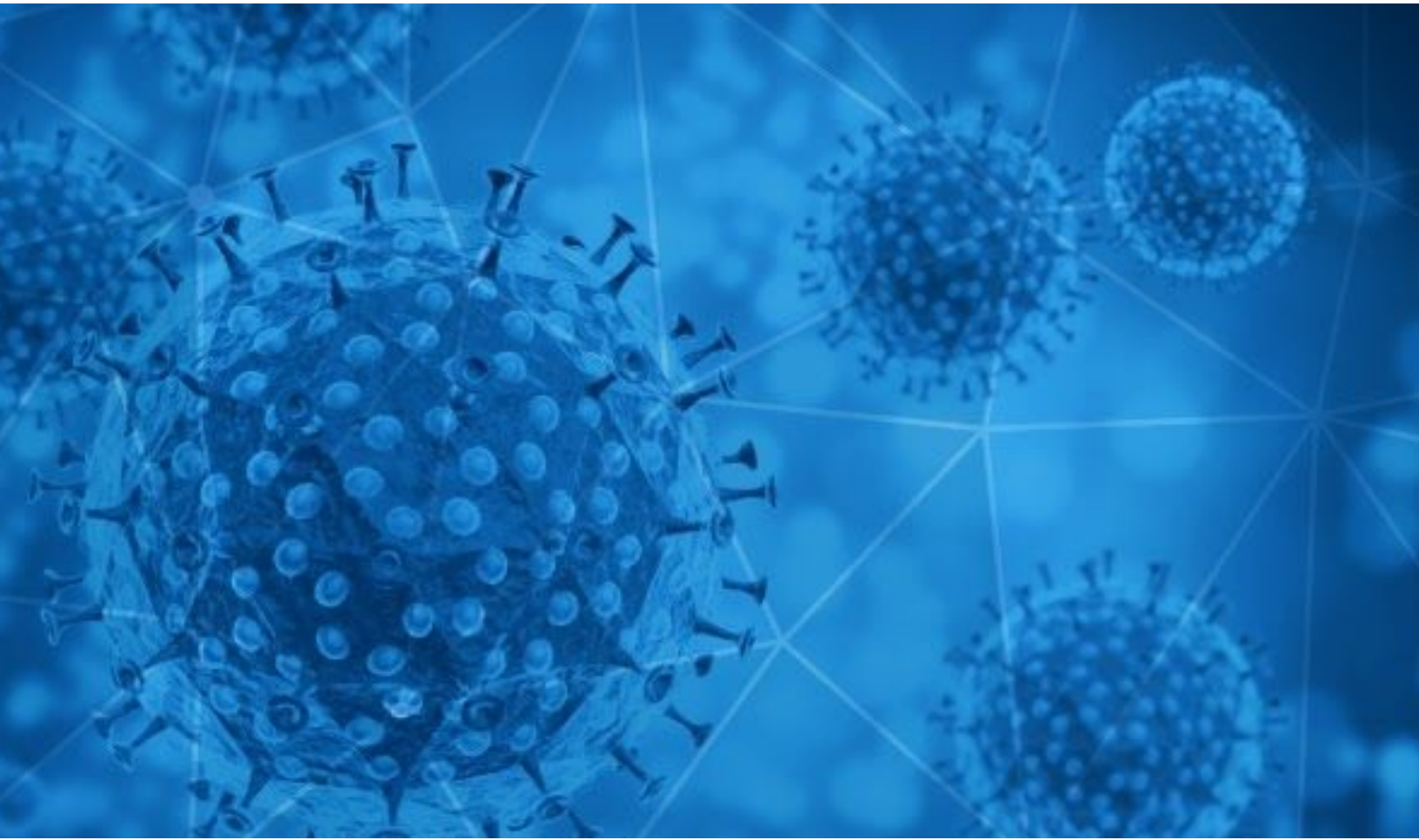




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## Methodology

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## Digital Exploitation

Adapting the new economic realities from COVID-19, [cybercriminals are offering steep discounts](#) on their services, tools, and stolen data. According to research by Group-IB and Gemini Advisory, dark web vendors began dropping prices anywhere from 20-40% at the end of February/early March to drive sales at least through April 2020.

On 10 April 2020 [KrebsOnSecurity](#) warned that the new Internal Revenue Service (IRS) site for Economic Impact Payments could make it easy for thieves to intercept some stimulus payments. Because millions of U.S. residents aren't required to file a tax return, the IRS is asking these "non-filers" to use the new website to provide their bank account information to receive stimulus payments. However, the loose identification requirements, as well as the availability of Personally Identifiable Information (PII) online, will likely cause an increase in fraudulent applications.

According to research by [Chainalysis](#), cryptocurrency scammers' incomes fell 30% during March 2020, despite attempts to leverage COVID-19. Though they appear to be reaching similar numbers of victims, the cryptocurrency price drops spurred by the pandemic have drastically reduced the revenue of Ponzi schemes and investment scams that make up most cryptocurrency scamming.

## New Blacklist Data

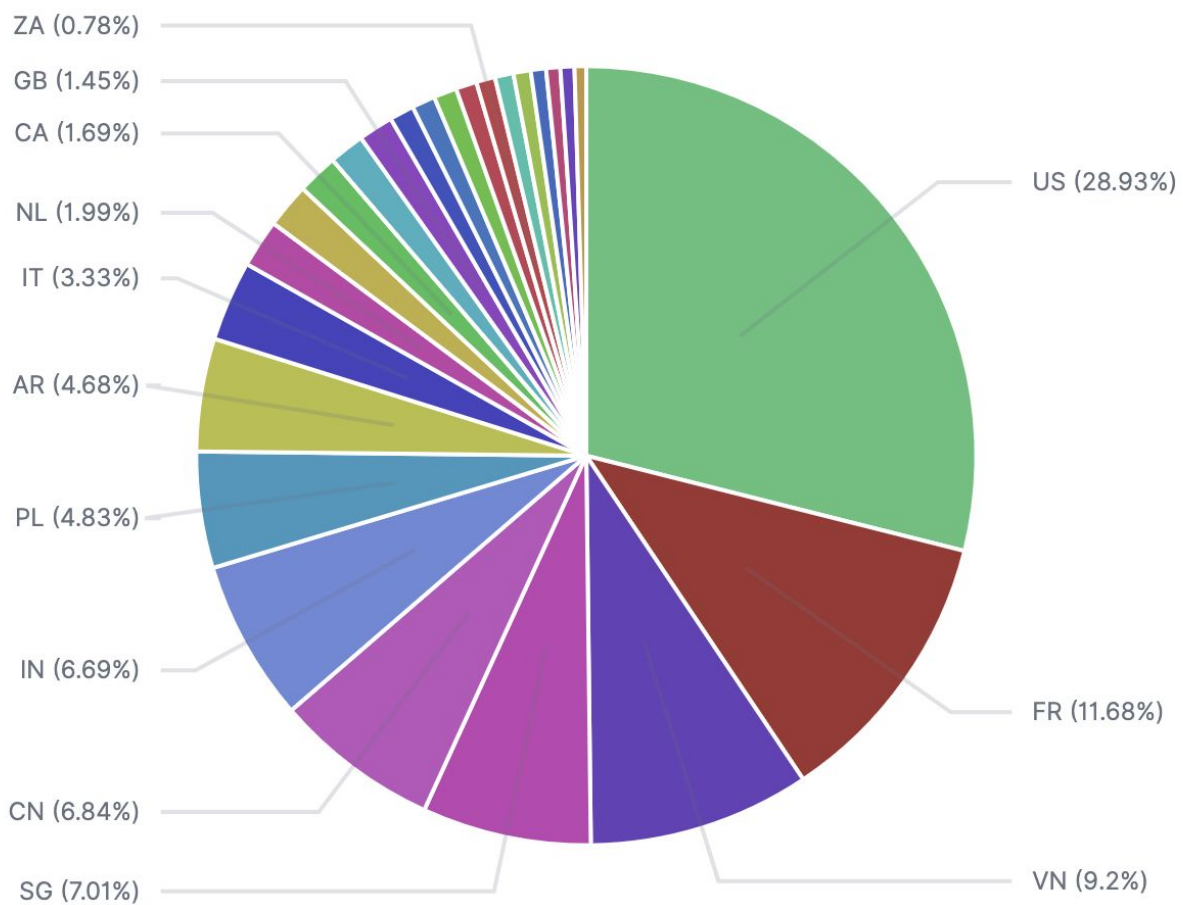
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## COVID-19 Email Spam Statistics

RiskIQ analyzed its spam box feed for the time period of 04/10/2020-04/11/2020. During this period, RiskIQ analyzed 149,333 spam emails containing either “\*corona\*” or “\*covid\*” in the subject line. There were 15,552 unique subject lines observed during the reporting period. The spam emails originated from 7,076 unique sending email domains and 11,152 unique SMTP IP Addresses. Analysts identified 1,718 emails which sent an executable file for Windows machines.



*Spam emails by country of origin*

## Top 25 Subjects

1. 9,313 - Re: UN COVID-19 Stimulus
2. 9,041 - WEBINAR: Business Survival Now & After COVID-19
3. 4,892 - CDC HEALTH emergency coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic
4. 4,311 - The Mask that can prevent Coronavirus now
5. 4,274 - Ethical Pandemic Coronavirus Supplies
6. 4,145 - (Quick delivery/Today's quotation) Protective mask and Diagnostic kit for COVID-19, goggles, infrared thermometer, protective clothing
7. 4,031 - CORONAVIRUS ALERT: FREE Breathing Masks For USA
8. 3,070 - The Corona Letter: India's food supply is on the edge
9. 2,949 - COVID19 Offer -85%
10. 2,534 - coronavirus.mascarilla de proteccion facial
11. 2,291 - COVID-19: Developers with skills in old programming languages see a huge demand | Average salary of software testing engineers in top IT companies
12. 2,233 - Coronavirus is spreading, this specialized mask can control it
13. 1,682 - Newster COVID-19 treatment references
14. 1,639 - Oracle offers free access to cloud courses and certification till May 15 | Indian IT firms confirm to honour job offers amid Coronavirus outbreak
15. 1,633 - SUPPORT NEEDED FOR LESS PRIVILEGED COVID-19 AFFECTED PEOPLE AND AREAS
16. 1,615 - Latest Corona Virus Update: (Urgent)
17. 1,384 - CORONAVIRUS ALERT:Breathing Mask
18. 1,203 - Let our unemployment guide help you take on the COVID19.
19. 1,197 - Let our unemployment guide help you take on the coronavirus.
20. 1,193 - Be prepared. Use our unemployment guide to help during the coronavirus crisis

21. 1,192 - Welche Maske sollten Sie gegen das Coronavirus tragen? Hier die Informationen und alles Wissenswerte
22. 1,166 - Need Unemployment information because of the coronavirus?
23. 1,159 - Don't let the coronavirus stop you. Learn free information about unemployment assistance.
24. 1,141 - Are you prepared for a potential job loss due to COVID19?
25. 1,139 - Worried you might lose your job because of COVID19?

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

1. 1,712 - Newster COVID-19 treatment references
2. 3 - RE: Re: Re:( EMAIL ref. 767/19)/COVID-19/Order 20% discount
3. 2 - RE: Re: Re:( EMAIL ref. 767/19)/COVID-19/Order 20%!d(MISSING)iscount
4. 1 - RE: Re: Re:( EMAIL ref. 767/19)/COVID-19/Order 20% discount

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

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|--------------|--------------|
| 1. 38,453 US | 14. 1,922 GB |
| 2. 15,526 FR | 15. 1,352 RU |
| 3. 12,232 VN | 16. 1,285 TH |
| 4. 9,312 SG  | 17. 1,272 HU |
| 5. 9,086 CN  | 18. 1,155 HK |
| 6. 8,894 IN  | 19. 1,041 ZA |
| 7. 6,419 PL  | 20. 1,021 JP |
| 8. 6,224 AR  | 21. 953 MY   |
| 9. 4,423 IT  | 22. 840 BE   |
| 10. 2,644 NL | 23. 778 ID   |
| 11. 2,467 DE | 24. 772 IE   |
| 12. 2,244 CA | 25. 642 ES   |
| 13. 1,955 BR |              |

## 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: 57,559

Hosts: 65,815

Hosts and Domains with Potential Mail Servers: 267

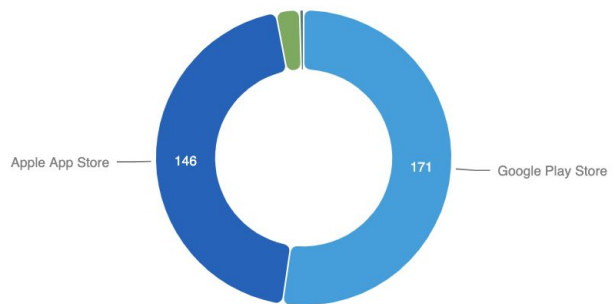
Email-Capable Domains and Hosts: 21,280

Live Hosts and Domains Not Parked: 26,353

### Mobile Apps

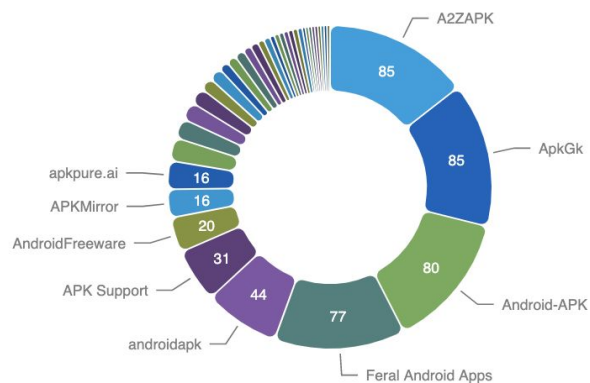
1. Apps in Official Stores: 326  
 (See Graph)
  - a. Google Play Store: 171
  - b. Apple App Store: 146
  - c. Windows Phone: 8
  - d. Amazon: 1

Apps on Official Stores



2. Apps in Secondary/Hybrid Stores: 563 (See Graph)

Apps on Secondary and Hybrid Stores by store



3. Blacklisted Mobile Apps by Store Type:
  - a. Secondary: 23
  - b. Hybrid: 1
  - c. Official: 1



## End Report