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Amateurs hack systems;
professionals hack people
- Bruce Schneier

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IN THE NEWS THIS WEEK



April Patch Tuesday Fixes Critical Flaws Across SAP, Adobe, Microsoft, Fortinet, and More

A number of critical vulnerabilities impacting products from Adobe, Fortinet, Microsoft, and SAP have taken center stage in April's Patch Tuesday releases. Topping the list is an SQL injection vulnerability impacting SAP Business Planning and Consolidation and SAP Business Warehouse ([CVE-2026-27681](#), CVSS score: 9.9) that could result in the execution of arbitrary database commands. "The vulnerable ABAP program allows a low-privileged user to upload a file with arbitrary SQL statements that will then be executed," Onapsis [said](#) in an advisory. In a potential attack scenario, a bad actor could abuse the affected upload-related functionality to run malicious SQL against BW/BPC data stores, extract sensitive data, and delete or corrupt database content. "Manipulated planning figures, broken reports, or deleted consolidation data can undermine close processes, executive reporting, and operational planning," Pathlock [said](#). "In the wrong hands, this issue also creates a credible path to both stealthy data theft and overt business disruption."

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[Adobe Patches Actively Exploited Acrobat Reader Flaw CVE-2026-34621](#)

[Google Rolls Out DBSC in Chrome 146 to Block Session Theft on Windows](#)

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The News



TOP OF THE NEWS THIS WEEK



Microsoft Issues Patches for SharePoint Zero-Day and 168 Other New Vulnerabilities

Microsoft on Tuesday released updates to address a record 169 security flaws across its product portfolio, including one vulnerability that has been actively exploited in the wild.

Of these 169 vulnerabilities, 157 are rated Important, eight are rated Critical, three are rated Moderate, and one is rated Low in severity. Ninety-three of the flaws are classified as privilege escalation, followed by 21 information disclosure, 21 remote code execution, 14 security feature bypass, 10 spoofing, and nine denial-of-service vulnerabilities.

Also included among the 169 flaws are four non-Microsoft issued CVEs impacting AMD (CVE-2023-20585), Node.js (CVE-2026-21637), Windows Secure Boot (CVE-2026-25250), and Git for Windows (CVE-2026-32631). The updates are in addition to 78 vulnerabilities that have been addressed in its Chromium-based Edge browser since the update that was released last month.

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Geo-Politics

NEWS FROM AROUND THE WORLD



North Korea's APT37 Uses Facebook Social Engineering to Deliver RokRAT Malware

The North Korean hacking group tracked as APT37 (aka ScarCruft) has been attributed to a fresh multi-stage, social engineering campaign in which threat actors approached targets on Facebook and added them as friends on the social media platform, turning the trust-building exercise into a delivery channel for a remote access trojan called RokRAT.

"The threat actor used two Facebook accounts with their location set to Pyongyang and Pyongsong, North Korea, to identify and screen targets," the Genians Security Center (GSC) said in a technical breakdown of the campaign. "After building trust through friend requests, the actor moved the conversation to Messenger and used specific topics to lure targets as part of the initial social engineering stage of the attack."

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[Sweden Blames Pro-Russian Group for Cyberattack Last Year on Its Energy Infrastructure](#)

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Breaches

SECURITY BREACHES THIS WEEK



OTHER SECURITY BREACHES

[Europe's Largest Gym Chain Says Data Breach Impacts 1 Million Members](#)

[Hims Breach Exposes the Most Sensitive Kinds of PHI](#)

[Stolen Rockstar Games analytics data leaked by extortion gang](#)

Stryker warns of earnings fallout from March cyberattack

Stryker, the Michigan-based medtech provider, said in a regulatory filing that the March cyberattack that temporarily disrupted the company's manufacturing, ordering and shipping operations had a material impact on its first-quarter earnings.

The March 11 incident, which the Iran-backed threat group named Handala took responsibility for, was a wiper attack abusing the company's [Microsoft Intune environment](#). The attackers wiped data from thousands of company devices and briefly disabled Stryker's electronic ordering systems.

The U.K.'s [National Health Service issued an update in March](#) noting that certain orders from Stryker in the days after the attack were impacted and an interim ordering system was set up.

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Vulnerabilities



VULNERABILITIES & EXPLOITS

CVE-2026-34621 - Successful exploitation of the flaw could allow an attacker to run malicious code on affected installations

CVSS SCORE 8.6

CVE-2026-34197 - is a remote code execution vulnerability in Apache ActiveMQ Classic that has been hiding in plain sight for 13 years

CVSS SCORE 8.8

LAST WEEKS RECAP

Fortinet FortiClient EMS Zero-Day: CVE-2026-35616 (Active Exploitation Underway).
CVSS Score: (9.8)

Docker CVE-2026-34040 Lets Attackers Bypass Authorization and Gain Host Access
CVSS Score: (8.8)

Ransomware



WEEKLY RANSOMWARE ROUNDUPS

TOP THREAT ACTORS

Qilin

Qilin is a ransomware-as-a-service operation linked to Russia, encrypting and stealing data for ransom. Active since October 2022, it has targeted organizations like The Big Issue and Yanfeng.

Akira

Akira is a ransomware strain that appeared in March 2023, targeting over 250 organisations including BHI Energy, Nissan Australia, Tietoevry, and Stanford University. Operating as ransomware-as-a-service, it earned up to \$42 million by April 2024.

Clop

Clop ransomware first emerged in 2019, when it became a prevalent threat to organizations and businesses. Clop ransomware encrypts the victims files and threatens to leak the confidential information if no ransom is paid.



OVERVIEW

A total of 138 new victims were reported across various ransomware groups this Week.

TARGET INDUSTRIES

The Manufacturing sector was the primary focus, representing 21.7% of all victims.

TARGET COUNTRY

The USA was the top victim country, with a total of 76 affected entities.

TOP GROUP

The Akira was the most active, claiming 28 victims.



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Published Ransomware Attacks - Source: CyberXTron ThreatBolt

Phishing

PHISHING NEWS THIS WEEK



OTHER PHISHING ARTICLES

[n8n Webhooks Abused Since October 2025 to Deliver Malware via Phishing Emails](#)

[Newly Discovered PowMix Botnet Hits Czech Workers Using Randomized C2 Traffic](#)

[Microsoft adds Windows protections for malicious Remote Desktop files](#)

FBI and Indonesian Police Dismantle W3LL Phishing Network Behind \$20M Fraud Attempts

The U.S. Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), in partnership with the Indonesian National Police, has dismantled the infrastructure associated with a global phishing operation that leveraged an off-the-shelf toolkit called W3LL to steal thousands of victims' account credentials and attempt more than \$20 million in fraud.

In tandem, authorities detained the alleged developer, who has been identified as G.L, and seized key domains linked to the phishing scheme. "The takedown cuts off a major resource used by cybercriminals to gain unauthorized access to victims' accounts," the FBI [said](#) in a statement.

The W3LL phishing kit allowed criminals to mimic legitimate login pages to deceive victims into handing over their credentials, thus allowing the attackers to seize control of their accounts. The phishing kit was advertised for a fee of about \$500.

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