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The Hinky Dink Top 10 Koobface Infested Shitholes Report Reveals Where Web 2.0's Most PWN3D Users Live

Columbus, Ohio - March 22, 2010 - Mr. Hinky Dink, a Big Time Security Professional™ today released an analysis of the spread of the Koobface worm.

Based on an exhaustive study of his database of over two and a half million open Web proxies collected over two years, Hinky's findings demonstrate where the most vulnerable social networking users can be found.

The following are ranked the Hinky Top Ten Social Networking Shitholes:

1. Saint Louis
2. Chicago
3. Kansas City
4. Houston
5. Birmingham
6. Dallas
7. Oklahoma City
8. Los Angeles
9. Brooklyn
10. Columbus

These rankings were determined by the number of active Koobface proxies reported by various Proxy Lists across the vast expanse of Interwebs.

- Saint Louis claims the dubious distinction of having the most Koobface infected users, double that of the the #2 shithole, Chicago.
- Kansas City, nearly ties Chicago for the #2 spot. Both cities experience very high PWNAG3, perhaps due in part to a large number of noobz in those cities.

“With more losers piling into social networking sites this trend is very likely to continue,” said Hinky. “This study highlights the cities with the most gullible users on the Internet. This study will no doubt help cybercriminals, script kidz, and Cameroonian puppy scammers target their next online marketing campaigns.”

Of the 50 U.S. Cities examined, the cheeseheads of Madison, Wisconsin proved to be the least likely to be infected with the Koobface worm. This is likely due to the fact they are widely disliked by nearly everyone and consequently have no friends or followers on Facebook or Twitter. Sucks to be them.

Top 3 Safety Tips From Hinky

No matter where your shithole ranks on the list, noobz everywhere can benefit from Mr. Hinky Dink's sage advice:

- Do not drink while using Web 2.0 technologies.
- Run Linux dammit.
- DO NEVER CLICK!!!

Methodology

Evidence of Koobface infection is based on verified proxies listening on ports 9090, 8085, and 2479. Geographic location is based on the free version of MaxMind's GeolIP database. As such, geographic ratings are only 90% accurate.

Complete Rankings - Koobface Shitholes

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| 1. Saint Louis | 18. Bronx | 36. Miami |
| 2. Chicago | 19. Indianapolis | 37. Phoenix |
| 3. Kansas City | 20. Tulsa | 38. Louisville |
| 4. Houston | 21. Richmond | 39. Las Vegas |
| 5. Birmingham | 22. Grand Rapids | 40. Florissant |
| 6. Dallas | 23. Little Rock | 41. Tyler |
| 7. Oklahoma City | 24. Cleveland | 42. Lawrenceville |
| 8. Los Angeles | 25. San Diego | 43. Memphis |
| 9. Brooklyn | 26. Laredo | 44. Washington |
| 10. Columbus | 27. Newark | 45. Arlington |
| 11. Atlanta | 28. Montgomery | 46. Lexington |
| 12. San Antonio | 29. Jacksonville | 47. Nashville |
| 13. Detroit | 30. Springfield | 48. Oakland |
| 14. Jackson | 31. Wichita | 49. Duluth |
| 15. Baton Rouge | 32. Milwaukee | 50. Madison |
| 16. Philadelphia | 33. Fort Worth | |
| 17. New York | 34. Omaha | |
| | 35. Sacramento | |

About Mr. Hinky Dink

Mr. Hinky Dink is a global leader in open Web proxy discovery and testing. He was the first security researcher to discover the February 2010 resurgence of the Koobface worm, no matter what Kaspersky would have you believe. He is also a master at smashing Websense (NASDAQ:WBSN) Web censorship technologies.