



Major Global Cyber Attacks during October, 2014

Below are the Major Cyber security incidents that happened worldwide during the month of October 2014.

Author of Attack	Target of Attack	Type of Attack	Description of Attack	Country	Date
The Syrian Electronic Army	UNICEF	Account Hijacking	The Syrian Electronic Army hacks the Official UNICEF Twitter account to share the news of a bomb blast in a Syrian school which killed 49 children	The UN	October-2
Unknown	Several Celebrities	Account Hijacking	A fourth wave of celebrity nude photos are leaked. Victims include Winona Ryder, Nick Hogan, AnnaLynne McCord, Erin Heatherton and Nina Dobrev.	N/A	October-5
Romanian hackers	High profile domains	System Compromise	A security researcher called Jonathan Hall claims to have uncovered a botnet being built by Romanian hackers using the "Shellshock" exploit against servers on a number of high profile domains, including servers at Yahoo and WinZip. Yahoo has confirmed the breach.	US	October-6
Unknown	ABC News	Ransomware	In Australia the ABC News 24 TV show was suspended for half an hour because of a Cryptolocker ransomware attack.	Australi	October-6
Unknown	European ATMs	ATM Malware	A joint report by Kaspersky and Interpol unveils the details of a malware designed to infect ATMs, allowing criminals to control them remotely. More than 50 ATMs in Eastern Europe and Russia are found to have been infected leading to the theft of millions of dollars.	Europe	October-7
Anonymous Collective	Chinese Government	Defacement	In the name of Operation #OpHK, and in support of protesters in Hong Kong, Anonymous defaced several Chinese Government websites and threatened to	China	October-7

			leak data from other Government sites.		
Unknown	Snapchat users	Database breach	A third party application that allows Snapchat users to save images and videos was hacked be exploiting an Apache vulnerability. As a consequence 13 gigabytes of images were posted online.	US	October-9
The Arab Warriors Team	Punjab Police, India	Database Breach	A hacking group called the Arab Warriors Team hacks the database of the Punjab Police in India by using SQL injection and dumps all the data on pastebin.	India	October- 18
Pro Russian hackers	Official Website of the Ukraine election commission	Distributed- Denial of Service Attack	On the eve of parliamentary elections the website of the Ukraine's election commission is hit by a massive DDoS attack.	Ukraine	October- 25
Unknown	The White House	Targeted Attack	The unclassified network of the Executive Office of the US President is breached by attackers thought to be working for the Russian government	US	October- 28
Unknown	Websites that use Drupal	SQL injection	Drupal announces that nearly a million websites using Drupal have been attacked a few hours after the disclosure of a vulnerability in its CMS software	Worldw ide	October- 29
Unknown	Industrial control systems in the US	Targeted Attack	The <u>US-CERT announces</u> that Industrial control systems in the US have been compromised by the BlackEnergy malware toolkit for at least three years in sophisticated campaign that is still ongoing	US	October- 29

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