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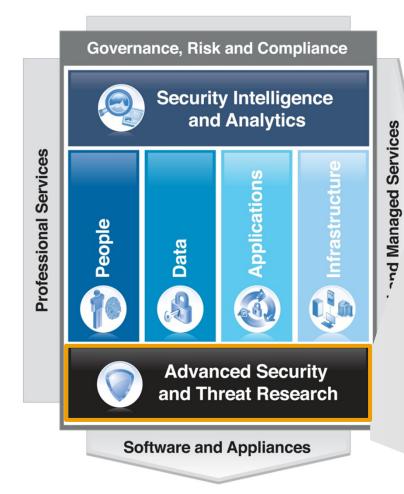


# Today's Threat Landscape Findings from the 2012 IBM X-Force Trend and Risk Report

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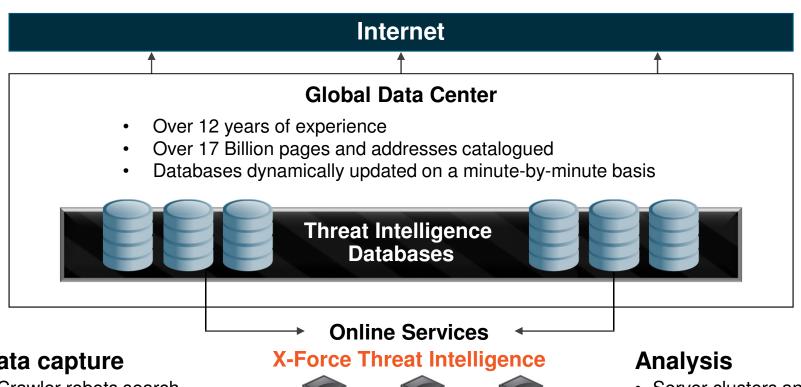
**X-Force Threat Response Manager** 

# X-Force is the foundation for advanced security and threat research across the IBM Security Framework





#### Monitor - X-Force has the skills and infrastructure for collecting and analyzing changing threats



#### Data capture

- · Crawler robots search the web in parallel
- Honeypots & darknets capture information
- Spamtraps obtain Spam IPs and samples



- Server clusters analyze the data acquired
- Insights for different threats are gleaned from the data and stored in an efficient manner

#### Monitor - Collaborative teams analyze the latest threats

#### Coverage

20,000+ devices under contract

**3,700+** managed clients worldwide

**13B+** events managed per day

**133** monitored countries (MSS)

**1,000+** security related patents



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#### Depth

**20B** analyzed web pages & images

**45M** spam & phishing attacks

**73K** documented vulnerabilities

**Billions** of intrusion attempts daily

**Millions** of unique malware samples

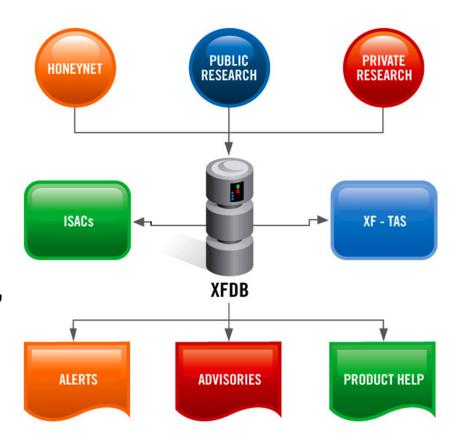
#### Research - Analyzing all vulnerabilities - X-Force Database (XFDB)

# Most comprehensive Vulnerability Database in the world

- Updated daily by a dedicated research team
- Entries date back to the 1990's
- Over 80,000 unique vulnerabilities

# Research also turns into innovative product "engines"

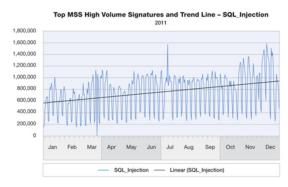
- Protocol Analysis Module
- Shellcode Heuristics
- Web Injection Logic Engine
- Java and JavaScript Heuristics







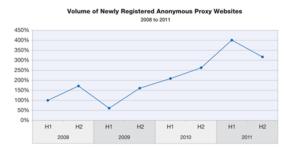
#### Educate - unique "optics" on the latest security and risk trends



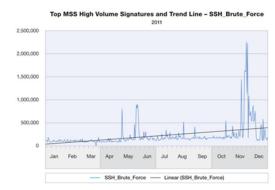
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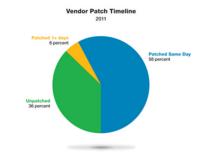
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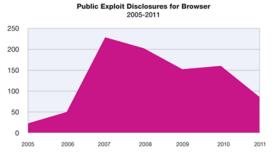
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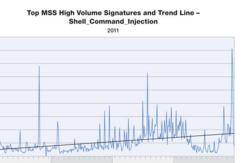
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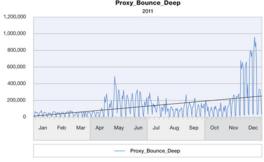


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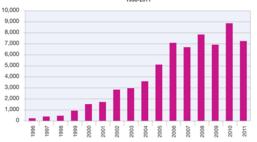


Top MSS High Volume Signatures and Trend Line – Proxy\_Bounce\_Deep

Linear (Shell Command Injection)



Vulnerability Disclosures Growth by Year 1996-2011



Source: IBM X-Force® Research and Development

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#### What are we seeing?



→ Download and read about emerging security threats and trends.





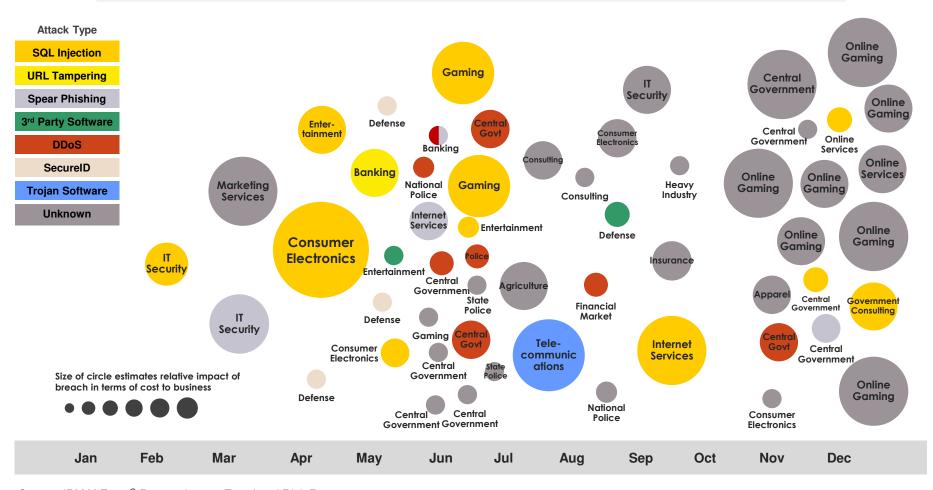
Annual Trend Report gives an X-Force view of the changing threat landscape





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#### 2011 Sampling of Security Incidents by Attack Type, Time and Impact



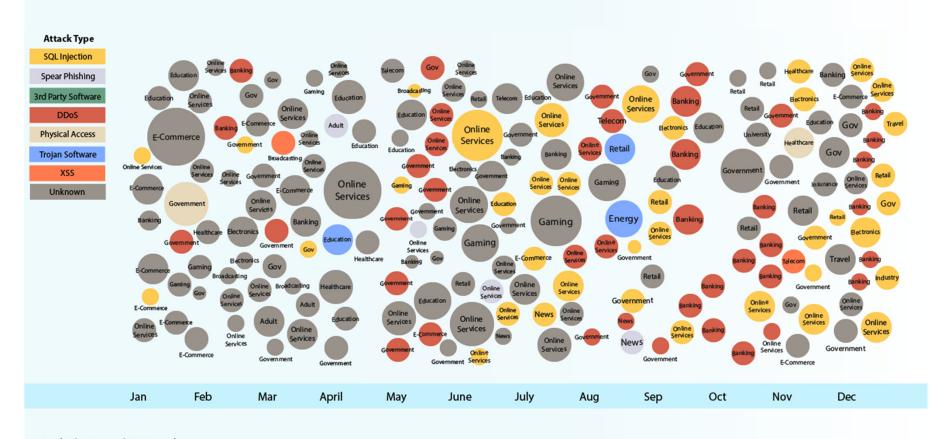
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#### 2012: The explosion of breaches continues!

#### 2012 Sampling of Security Incidents by Attack Type, Time and Impact

Conjecture of relative breach impact is based on publicly disclosed information regarding leaked records and financial losses

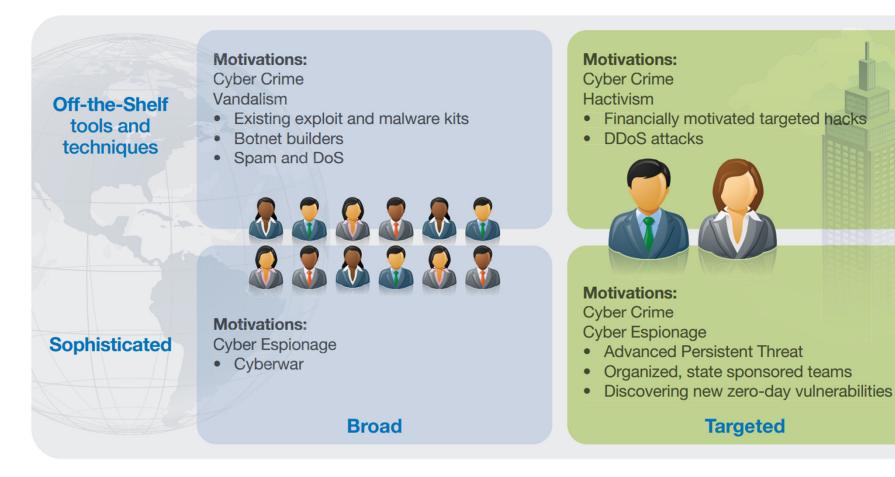


Size of circle estimates relative impact of incident in terms of cost to business

Source: IBM X-Force® Research 2012 Trend and Risk Report



#### Attacker types and motivations have not changed



Majority of the security incidents disclosed in 2012 were carried out by attackers going after a broad target base while using off-the-shelf tools and techniques (top left)

SQL injection and DDoS continue to be tried-and-true methods of attack

Attackers are opportunistic, not all APTs and state-sponsored use exotic malware and zero-day vulnerabilities...

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#### Operational sophistication, not always technology sophistication

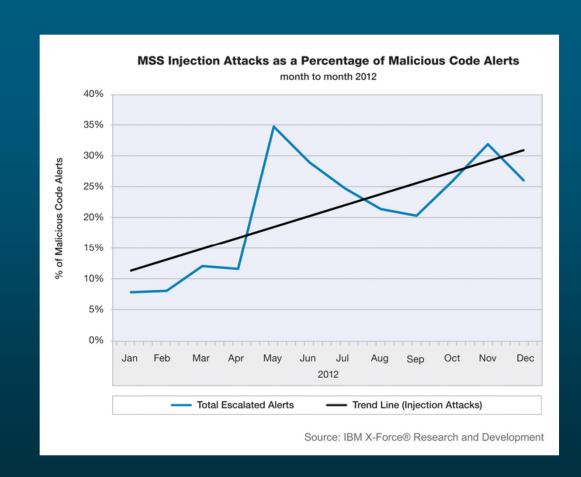




#### Tried and true techniques - SQL and Command Injection attacks

Dramatic and sustained rise in SQL injection-based traffic

Alerts came from all industry sectors, with a bias toward banking and finance targets

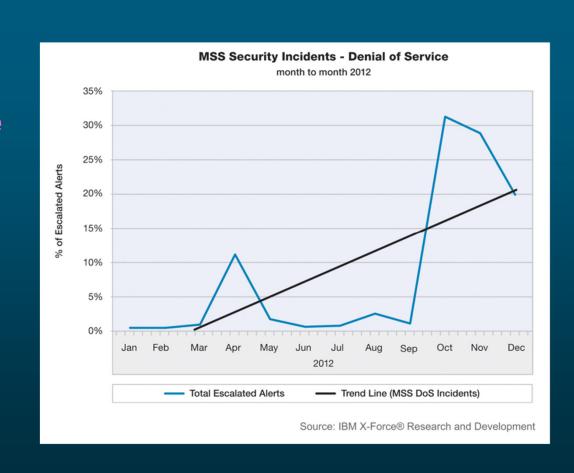




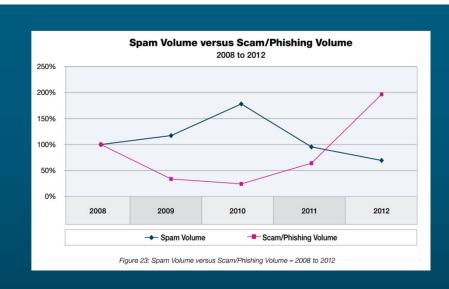
#### Tried and true techniques - Distributed Denial of Service (DDoS)

High profile DDoS attacks marked by a significant increase in traffic volume

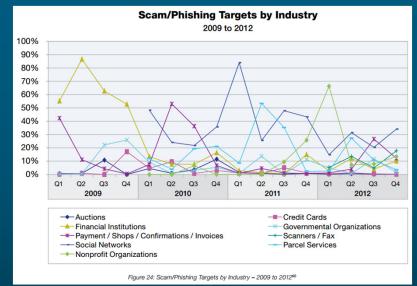
Implementation of botnets on compromised web servers in high bandwidth data centers



#### Tried and true techniques - Spear-phishing against social networks



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Overall spam volume continues to decline, but spam containing malicious attachments is on the rise

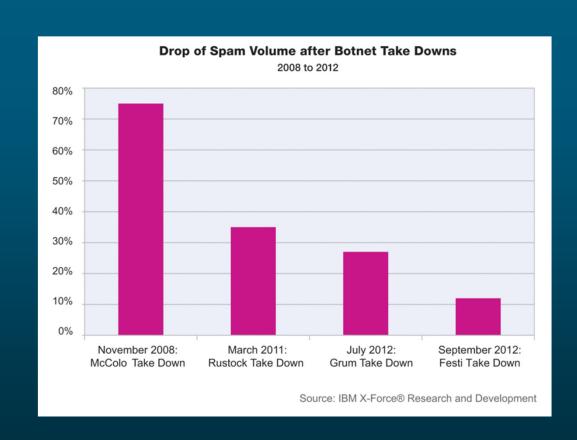
Scammers rotate the "carousel" of their targets – focusing on social networks in 2012



#### Botnet Command & Control Server resiliency

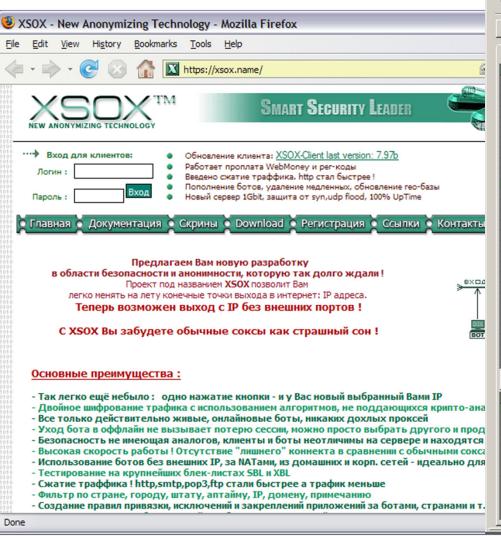
# Operational sophistication:

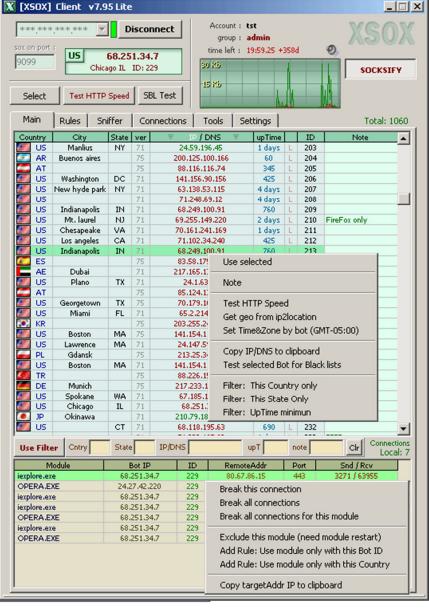
When botnet command and control servers are taken down, other readily available networks can be put into action



#### XSOX – Botnet Anonymizer

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#### Why was Java one of 2012's hottest software targets?

Threats

- 1. Java is cross-platform
- 2. Exploits written for Java vulnerabilities are very reliable and do not need to circumvent mitigations in modern OSes
- 3. The Java plugin runs without a sandbox making it easier to install persistent malware on the system



#### Days since last known Java 0-day exploit

Previous high score: 3

General info

Java-related CVEs: web.nvd.nist.gov

No glove, no love: How to be safe?

navigator.javaEnabled() == true

Latest patch: CVE-2013-1493 Latest 0-day(s) info

Is it still a threat? istherejava0day.com a.k.a. "is the latest patch useless yet?"

2013-03-07: pwn2own contest. #1 (CVE-2013-0401)

2013-03-06: pwn2own contest.

#1 (CVE-2013-1488) #2 (CVE-2013-1491) #3 (CVE-2013-0402)

**Achievements** 

Close call: reach 1 week Not 2day: reach 2 digits

Finger binary is not enough: reach 31 days

Deep Thought: reach 42 days D3aL w17H 17: reach 1337 hours

java.lang.ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException: reach 3 digits

Trial licence expired: reach 180 days

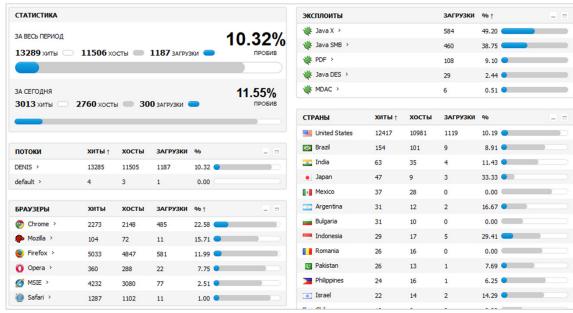
The Reaper's Toll: reach 1 year without getting attention

http://java-0dav.com/

#### As a result, exploit authors and toolkits favor Java



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Web browser exploit kits - aka "exploit packs" - are built for one particular purpose: to install malware on enduser systems

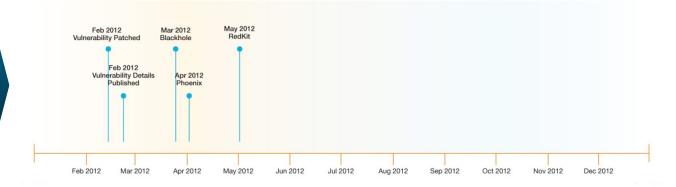
In 2012 we observed an upsurge in web browser exploit kit development and activity - the primary target of which are Java vulnerabilities



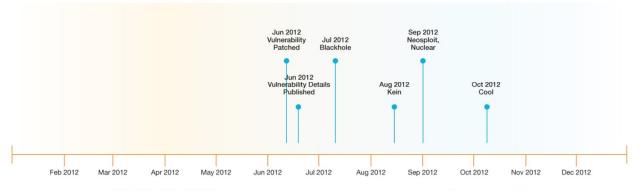
#### Within 2-3 months, 3-4 exploit kits will have a Java exploit integrated

**Threats** 

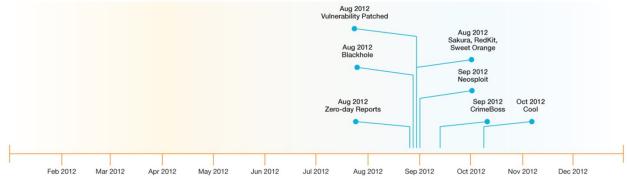




CVE-2012 -1723



CVE-2012 -4681

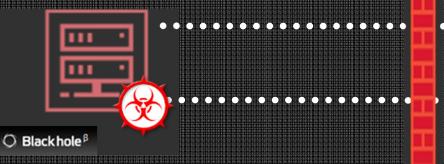


## Spear phishing and Exploit Kit Example



User is redirected to a malicious website

crimepack





User receives risky email from personal social network

TARGET

#### facebook

Problem viewing this email View it in your browser

Hi

Thank you for registering with us at Facebook Social. We look forward to seeing you around the site

Your profile has two different views reachable through clickable tabs:

- View My Profile: see your profile as your network does
- . Edit My Profile: edit the different elements of your profile

View profile details.

http://hotelcondorseverin.ro/up/load/



Drive-by exploit is used to install malware on target PC

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#### Adversaries operate business too... Exploits as a Service





#### **Trojan Creator Kits**

## Constructor/Turkojan V.4 New features

- Remote Desktop
- Webcam Streaming
- Audio Streaming
- Remote passwords
- MSN Sniffer
- Remote Shell
- Advanced File Manager
- ✓ Online & Offline keylogger
- Information about remote computer
- ✓ Etc...





#### Features, service levels, and technical support



#### **Bronze Edition**

- This product is the improved version of Turkojan 3.0 and it has some limitations (Webcam - audio streaming and msn sniffer doesn't work for this version)
- 1 month replacement warranty if it gets dedected by any antivirus
- 7/24 online support via e-mail
- Supports only Windows 95/98/ME/NT/2000/XP
- · Realtime Screen viewing(controlling is disabled)

Price: 99\$ (United State Dollar)



#### Silver Edition

- 4 months (maximum 3 times) replacement warranty if it gets dedected by any antivirus
- 7/24 online support via e-mail and instant messengers
- Supports 95/98/ME/NT/2000/XP/Vista
- Webcam streaming is available with this version
- Realtime Screen viewing(controlling is disabled)
- Notifies changements on clipboard and save them.

Price: 179\$ (United State Dollar)



#### **Gold Edition**

- 6 months (unlimited) or 9 months(maximum 3 times) replacement warranty if it gets dedected by any antivirus (you can choose 6 months or 9 months)
- 7/24 online support via e-mail and instant messengers
- Supports Windows 95/98/ME/NT/2000/2003/XP/Vista
- Remote Shell (Managing with Ms-Dos Commands)
- Webcam audio streaming and msn sniffer
- Controlling remote computer via keyboard and mouse
- Notifies changements on clipboard and save them
- Technical support after installing software
- Viewing pictures without any download(Thumbnail Viewer)

Price: 249\$ (United State Dollar)





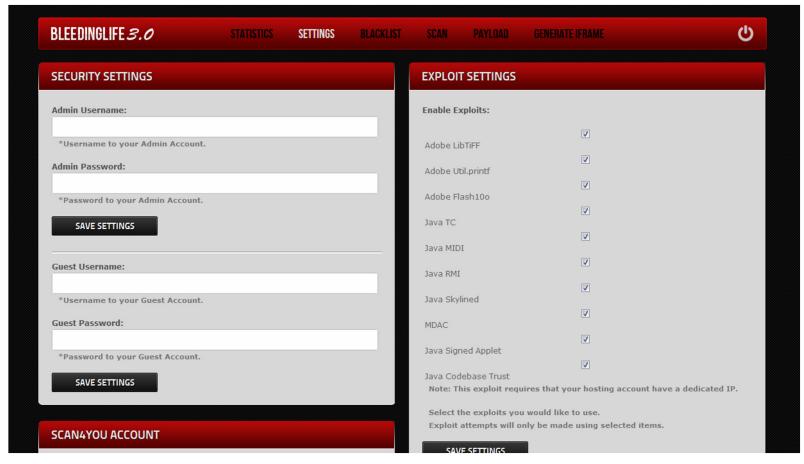
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#### But wait, there's more..... (Bleeding Life 3.0 now available)

- ✓ New Java and PDF exploits
- √ \$1000 for new customer, only \$250 for v2 customers
- ✓ Built-in scanner to scan for vulnerable IP's
- Ability to easily allow adding/removing of exploits





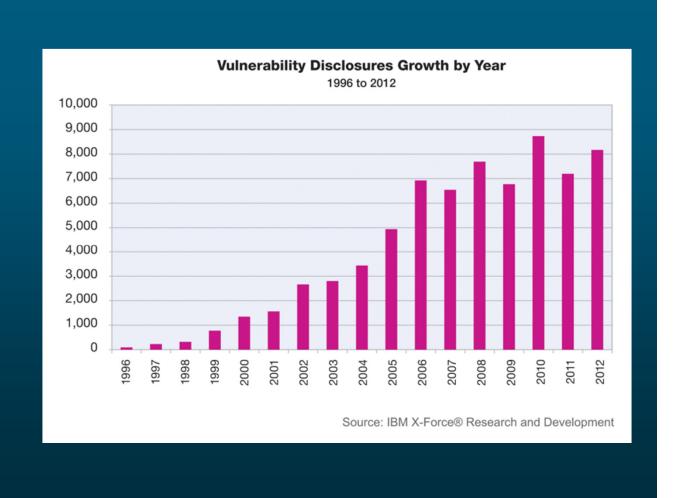




8,168
publicly
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vulnerabilities

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An increase of over 14% from 2011

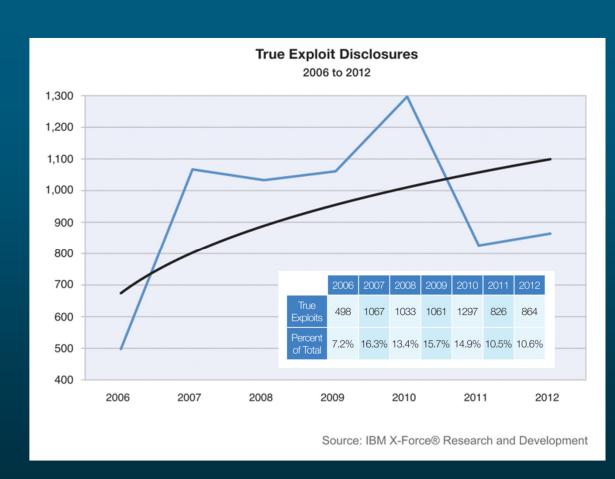




#### Public exploit disclosures - not as many "true exploits"

Continued downward trend in percentage of public exploit disclosures to vulnerabilities

Slightly up in actual numbers compared to 2011





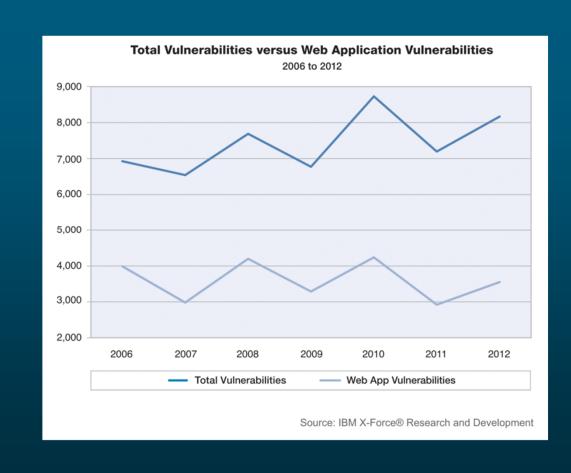
14%

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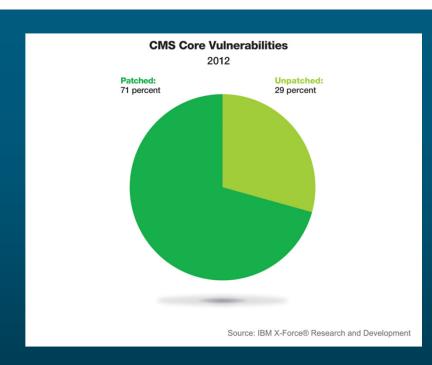
increase in web application vulnerabilities

Cross-site scripting represented

53%

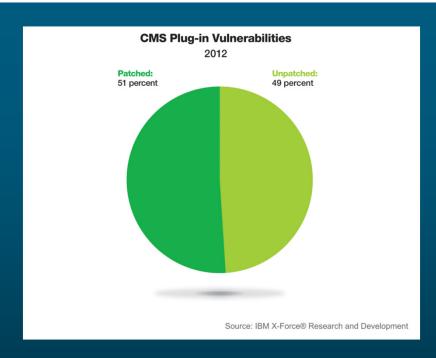


#### Content Management Systems plug-ins provide soft target



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Attackers know that CMS vendors more readily address and patch their exposures



Compared to smaller organizations and individuals producing the add-ons and plug-ins

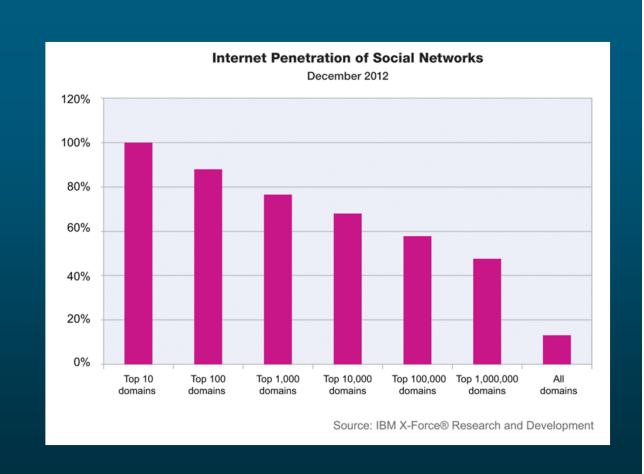


50%

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of all websites connected to social media

Enhanced spear-phishing seemingly originating from trusted friends and co-workers





#### Mobile devices should be more secure in 2014

# Mobile computing is becoming increasingly secure based on technical controls occurring with security professionals and software development



- Separation of Personas & Roles
- Ability to Remotely Wipe Data
- Biocontextual Authentication
- Secure Mobile App Development
- Mobile Enterprise App Platform (MEAP)

#### Summary - Key Findings from the 2012 Trend Report

# Threats and Activity

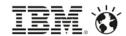
- 40% increase in breach events for 2012
- Sophistication is not always about technology
- SQL Injection, DDoS, Phishing activity increased from 2011
- Java means to infect as many systems as possible

# Operational Security

- Software vulnerability disclosures up in 2012
- Web application vulnerabilities surge upward
- XSS vulnerabilities highest ever seen at 53%
- Content Management Systems plug-ins provide soft target

## **Emerging Trends**

- Social Media leveraged for enhanced spear-phishing techniques and intelligence gathering
- Mobile Security should be more secure than traditional user computing devices by 2014



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#### Not a technical problem, but a business challenge

- Many of the recent breaches could have been prevented
- Significant effort is required to inventory, identify, and close every vulnerability
- Financial & operational resistance is always encountered, so how much of an investment is enough?

