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Thread: [Apple iOS Bug Bounty now \\$1m USD](#)

Omniscient - August 9, 2019, 11:44 am

<https://www.wired.com/story/apple-hacker-iphone-bug-bounty-macos/>

<https://www.forbes.com/sites/thomasbrewster/2019/08/08/apple-confirms-1-million-reward-for-hackers-who-find-serious-iphone-vulnerabilities/#34fc7ace3948>

Anyone read about Apple doubling up their Bug Bounty payouts for iOS exploits? Now it's \$1m USD for a 0-click exploit that roots the system.

Official reporting page: <https://developer.apple.com/bug-reporting/>

Anyone here ever get a bounty from Apple?

123 - August 9, 2019, 11:49 am

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Bear - August 9, 2019, 11:49 am

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Omniscient - August 9, 2019, 11:57 am

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int - August 9, 2019, 4:16 pm

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lesstech - August 9, 2019, 4:20 pm

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Stephanie Ferguson - August 10, 2019, 2:24 am

(Aug 9, 2019 04:20 PM)lesstech Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) 1 million is some serious bounty isn't it? Peanuts to a company that massive tbh

Sigma - August 10, 2019, 4:20 am

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RUS7Y - August 10, 2019, 5:01 am

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Sigma - August 10, 2019, 5:08 am

(Aug 10, 2019 05:01 AM)Rusty_v Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) This is not true at all.

I'm basing my opinion from what I have seen in the past and from what my big bounty friends have stated.

Blazin - August 10, 2019, 8:27 pm

I think its better now. Before people who had exploits would rather keep them to themselves or sell them private now are more inclined to sell them to Apple.

Apple finally realizing if they pay so little not worth even reporting.

Elitas - August 13, 2019, 4:44 pm

(Aug 10, 2019 05:01 AM)Rusty_v Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) This is not true at all.

Unfortunately it's not far from the truth.

LEGION12 - August 16, 2019, 9:37 pm

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M L T - August 18, 2019, 3:17 am

Zerodium and ZDI are paying higher than Apple for the same exploits -- I saw you mentioned the bidding war. This has been going on for the last few years now, and the exploit brokers just keep offering double of whatever apple offers...

Also, most hackers who have iOS 0days are holding onto them. They simply are not worth parting with for \$1m. They're worth considerably more than that if actively used in targeted exploitation campaigns.

As for ever getting bounties from apple, I've never actually attempted to audit iOS or OSx (I believe they only pay out for bugs in their operating sysmtes).

I've reported plenty web-based bugs to them, but it's hall of fame only:

Still kinda cool to add that stuff to your resumé though -- but yeah, most people with 0-click RCE's affecting apple are not going to be willing to sell them for \$1m USD. It simply isn't worth it... exploit brokers are fully aware of this, and that's why the likes of Zerodium are offering double the bounty that apple is offering:

(Aug 16, 2019 09:37 PM)LEGION12 Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) quick question is c sharp good for brute force scripts or hacking in genral im looking into it ?

C# has very few practical applications in terms of hacking... I guess it's good to know if you want to whitebox audit particular mobile-based apps though.

compalabee - August 23, 2019, 3:47 am

https://www.vice.com/en_us/article/qvgp77/hacker-releases-first-public-iphone-jailbreak-in-years

I saw this link from one of my security newsletters. Just released Aug 19. Haven't read it though lol. Just posting.

So did Apple just give away 1m? That's serious GG.

Haseo™ - August 23, 2019, 8:45 am

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Mix - August 23, 2019, 4:03 pm

I heard about this on Linus tech news and was thinking I should learn how to find exploits in apple.

Bossk - August 25, 2019, 6:09 am

Sue Corellium

Bug bounty program

you choose one in my world

MavenGradle - August 25, 2019, 6:18 am

Meanwhile, Valve is lowering their paychecks for certain exploits:

https://hackerone.com/valve/policy_versions?change=3616941

int - August 25, 2019, 9:29 am

(Aug 25, 2019 06:18 AM)MavenGradle Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Meanwhile, Valve is lowering their paychecks for certain exploits:

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valve is going to get fucked even more for this retard tier move

Xamarin - August 26, 2019, 9:08 am

(Aug 25, 2019 06:18 AM)MavenGradle Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Meanwhile, Valve is lowering their paychecks for certain exploits:

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"Valve's security philosophy" says inside HackerOne. Hahahahah you don't have any philosophy or education my dear Volvo. Otherwise you would give bounties to all those guys that fugg your game with "client-side exploits" that destroy the game. But who cares, right ? Throw more skins in there, to excuse the inability and low-level IQ of the employees f your company.

dogwood - September 12, 2019, 12:53 pm

Does anybody know if selling an exploit to Apple results in an NDA where you can't even put the accomplishment on your resume? I have to reasonably assume that the NSA makes very sure that researchers don't mention they sold an 0day to them... but for academic researchers, I can see the value of being able to include a list of exploits found and sold on your CV.

RumoredLegend - September 14, 2019, 11:15 pm

(Aug 9, 2019 11:49 AM)Bear Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Arent Apple known to be stingy with their bug bounties?
YESSSSSS THEY DONT PAY!!!!

Theyre liars! they consider what we do a donation! Fuvkers

Crypt - September 14, 2019, 11:16 pm

Most like a "thank you" and maybe a free Iphone. They aren't going to pay no 1 million dollar bounty.

SneakyHF - September 15, 2019, 12:02 am

Wow, that's an insane amount. Just goes to show how serious they are getting about it because of what happened lately lol

Who Cares - September 28, 2019, 2:21 am

The reason apple have upped there bounty program is simple, people are selling exploits to celebritie and similar company's, now if apple are not paying out and ripping you off claiming they already knew about exploit, it makes me think is the person your reporting it to @apple are claiming the \$\$ with help of another friend.

There should be no reason why apple wont pay out, because if you have found an exploit, whats saying you wont find a better exploit and after getting burned by apple its not like you would run to them again unless your stupid