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Thread: [Lockbit 5.0 source code just got leaked and sent to researchers](#)

Chorozon - November 8, 2025, 8:24 pm

So here is some hard hitting news

Smelly from VX underground has received a interesting gift .. THE ENTIRE LOCKBIT 5.0 source code

After some contemplation on twitter he has decided to share it with security researchers to give them time to patch and upgrade AVs and then he will upload it to github

Idk who is going to be more moist about this wannabe threat actors or security researchers

All i know is lockbitsup whos net worth is in the BILLIONS and has already threatened smelly is going to be screaming blyat like he's on CSGO

Of course your thoughts and opinions are appreciated below

MadScientist - November 8, 2025, 10:06 pm

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Bastille - November 9, 2025, 1:38 am

Damn, I'm wondering who leaked the source code.

I'm also worried for Smelly, people making billions will probably not let this go like that ... They're not hackers, they're more criminals.

Replace - November 9, 2025, 2:16 am

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???????????? - November 9, 2025, 8:42 am

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onlineuser | D3RFER - November 9, 2025, 8:45 am

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HALx86 - November 9, 2025, 10:10 am

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Really? According to the FBI / Interpol he/a developer was arrested, extradited to the US and charged with 4 years prison (surprisingly low, odd). Althout I suppose he could have just been a big player in their campaigns.

Quote:According to the superseding complaint, documents filed in this and related cases, and statements made in court, Panev acted as a developer of the LockBit ransomware group from its inception in or around 2019 through at least February 2024. During that time, Panev and his LockBit coconspirators grew LockBit into what was, at times, the most active and destructive ransomware group in the world. The LockBit group attacked more than 2,500 victims in at least 120 countries around the world, including 1,800 in the United States. Their victims ranged from individuals and small businesses to multinational corporations, including hospitals, schools, nonprofit organizations, critical infrastructure, and government and law-enforcement agencies. LockBit's members extracted at least \$500 million in ransom payments from their victims and caused billions of dollars in other losses, including lost revenue and costs from incident response and recovery.

<https://www.justice.gov/usao-nj/pr/dual-russian-and-israeli-national-extradited-united-states-his-role-lockbit-ransomware>

Replace - November 9, 2025, 1:47 pm

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RangoWorld - November 9, 2025, 11:06 pm

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PremiumJoe - November 10, 2025, 12:08 am

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RiveR29 - November 10, 2025, 12:47 am

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Imma do this. And when the time comes my kids and grandkids will have a good old pirate hunt.

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Seems like a good idea but risky.

Scarecrow - November 10, 2025, 1:35 pm

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???????????? - November 11, 2025, 1:51 am

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Makes sense.

Chorozon - November 25, 2025, 4:20 am

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hes in the promised land.

(Nov 9, 2025 03:16 AM)Replace Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I don't understand how a ransomware dev crew can make billions and not get their wallets locked instead.

How would they have wallets "locked" :S LOL

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Yep false alarm not lockbit code but it was a currently active ransomware groups code that was forked from another source

Smelly probably made some shitty enemies either way :(

Phantom_NiNja - November 28, 2025, 2:39 pm

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PremiumJoe - November 28, 2025, 7:38 pm

(Nov 28, 2025 03:39 PM)Phantom_NiNja Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) What if the utility company or an ISP comes to your house and runs wire and finds the box and throws it away?

I would assign my one eyed pirate-parrot Julius to guard the spot, just like pirates did in the old days.

Yarrr ????????????

No seriously, I guess that if I actually buried something valuable in the ground, I would be ready for such an event and dig it up quickly before someone else.