



# Week of August 18, 2025

## Cybersecurity Headlines

### Digital Threat Landscape

*Cybercrimes, Scams, Threats, Vulnerabilities and Incidents*

#### Oregon Man Charged in ‘Rapper Bot’ DDoS Service

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A 22-year-old Oregon man has been arrested on suspicion of operating “Rapper Bot,” a massive botnet used to power a service for launching distributed denial-of-service (DDoS) attacks against targets — including a March 2025 DDoS that knocked Twitter/X offline.

#### SIM-Swapper, Scattered Spider Hacker Gets 10 Years - Krebs on Security

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A 20-year-old Florida man at the center of a prolific cybercrime group known as “ Scattered Spider ” was sentenced to 10 years in federal prison today, and ordered to pay roughly \$13 million ...



#### Drug development company Inotiv reports ransomware attack to SEC

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The Indiana-based pharmaceutical company Inotiv discovered a cybersecurity incident earlier this month and found the hackers had encrypted certain systems.



#### Business Council of New York State says nearly 50,000 had data leaked in February cyberattack

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The Business Council of New York State, which works with more than 3,000 organizations, told regulators in multiple states that it suffered a cyberattack in February.

### Industry Updates

*Legislation, Business, Privacy, Updates, Related Technologies*

#### Tackling the National Gap in Software Understanding

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We invite software analysis experts and mission owners to engage with CISA and our partners at DARPA, OUSD R&E, NSA, and National Nuclear Security Agency as we collectively shape research priorities and maintain a sustained focus on addressing this critical challenge.

#### CIS Benchmarks August 2025 Update - cisecurity.org

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Thank you to all in the community that have contributed to the update of these Benchmarks! A special thanks to Beatrix House and the rest of the DigitalOcean team for their significant contributions. Download the DigitalOcean Benchmarks in PDF. CIS S...



#### UK ‘agrees to drop’ demand over Apple iCloud encryption, US intelligence head claims

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The United Kingdom is backing down from a controversial legal demand targeting Apple, U.S. Director of National Intelligence Tulsi Gabbard claimed on Tuesday.



#### US warns tech companies against complying with European and British ‘censorship’ laws

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U.S. tech companies were warned they could face action from the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) for complying with the European Union and United Kingdom’s regulations about the content shared on their platforms.



Chinese national who sabotaged Ohio company’s systems handed four-year jail stint

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A Houston resident was sentenced to four years in prison for intentionally installing malicious code on his employer’s computer systems, which he activated when his role was terminated.



CISA warns of Apple zero-day used in targeted cyberattacks

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The Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) gave civilian federal agencies until September 11 to implement a fix for CVE-2025-43300 — a vulnerability affecting popular brands of Apple phones, iPads and Macbooks.

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