DNS Abuse Trends

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Concentrations – ICANN Data



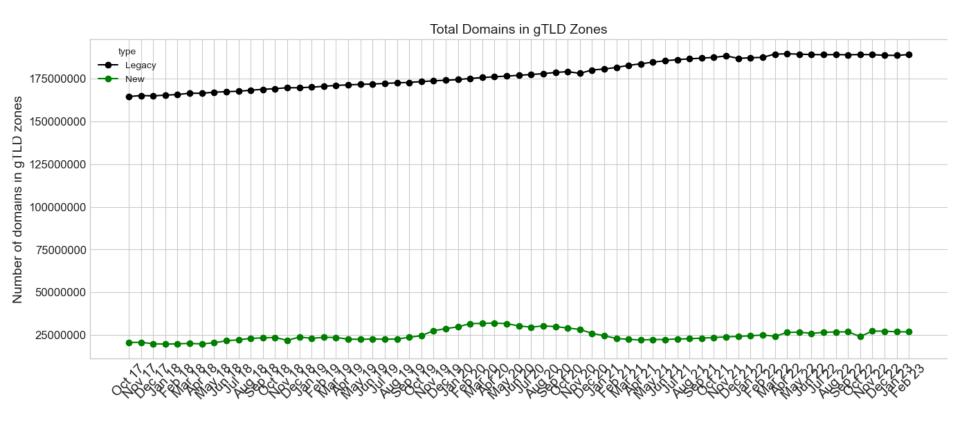
As of February 2023

TLDs 1145 Sum of domains in zones gTLDs 215,730,261

TLDs with security domains listed 427
Sum of listed security threat domains 634,579

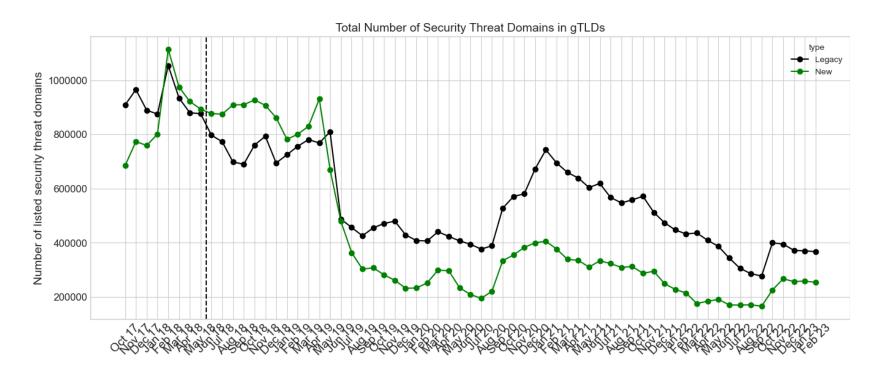


Domains in gTLD zones



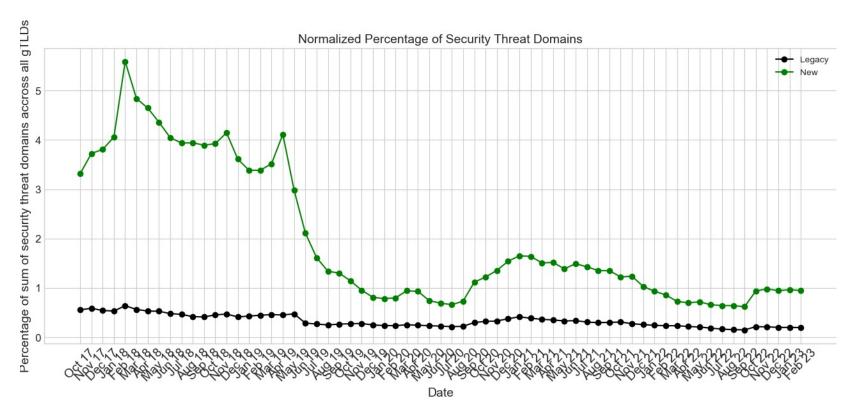


Security Threat Domains in gTLDs - Absolute

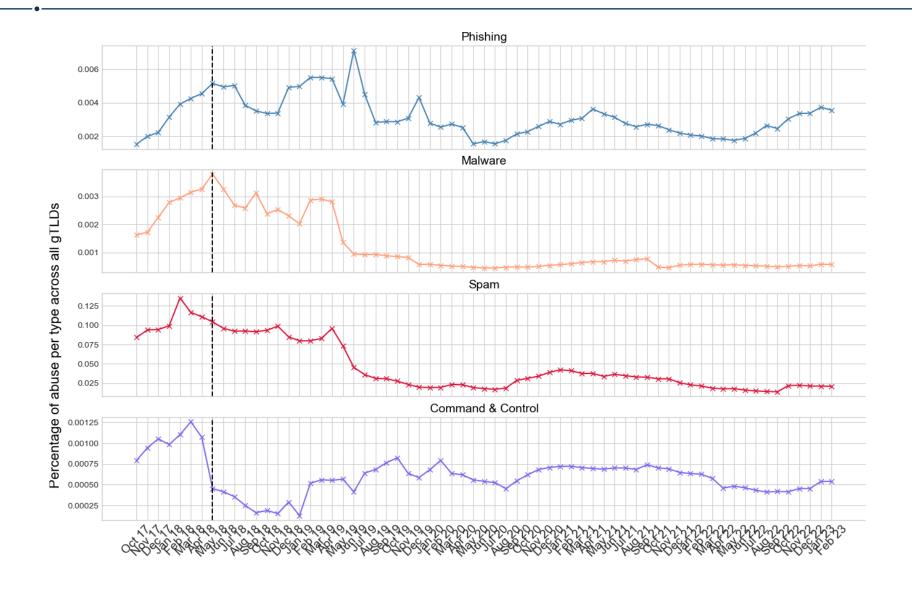




Security Threat Domains in gTLDs - Normalized









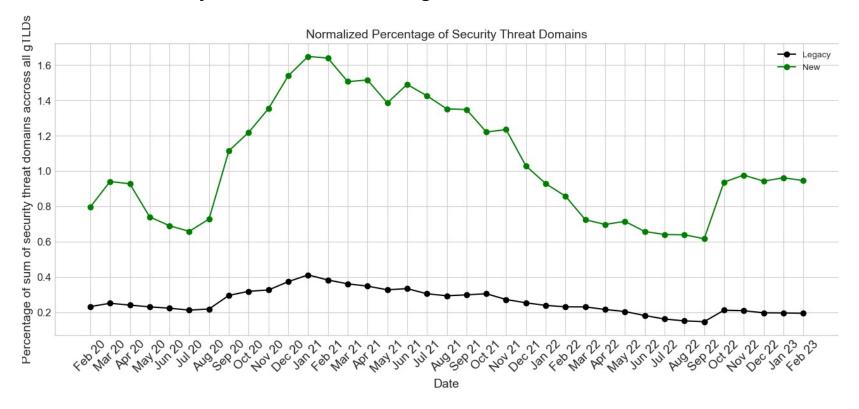
Other DNS abuse reports and practices

- DNSAI Compass reports
- APWG Quarterly reports (<u>PHISHING ACTIVITY TRENDS REPORT</u>)
- DNS Abuse report European Commission Study
- Interisle reports (e.g. <u>Phishing Landscape 2022</u>)
- o and many others ...



Perspective and Terminology Matters

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Different Perspective – Different result



Ways to Make DNS Abuse Analysis More Robust

Identifying Parked Domains: better size estimates for domains Active in Zone

- Uptime (of domains listed) is not equal to Mitigation
 - Counter measures should be in correspondence to the threat types
 - Evasion Techniques (30% of phishing domains cannot be measured in terms of their uptimes)





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