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**eCommerce Threatscape:  
1st Quarter 2024**

# PORTFOLIO OVERVIEW



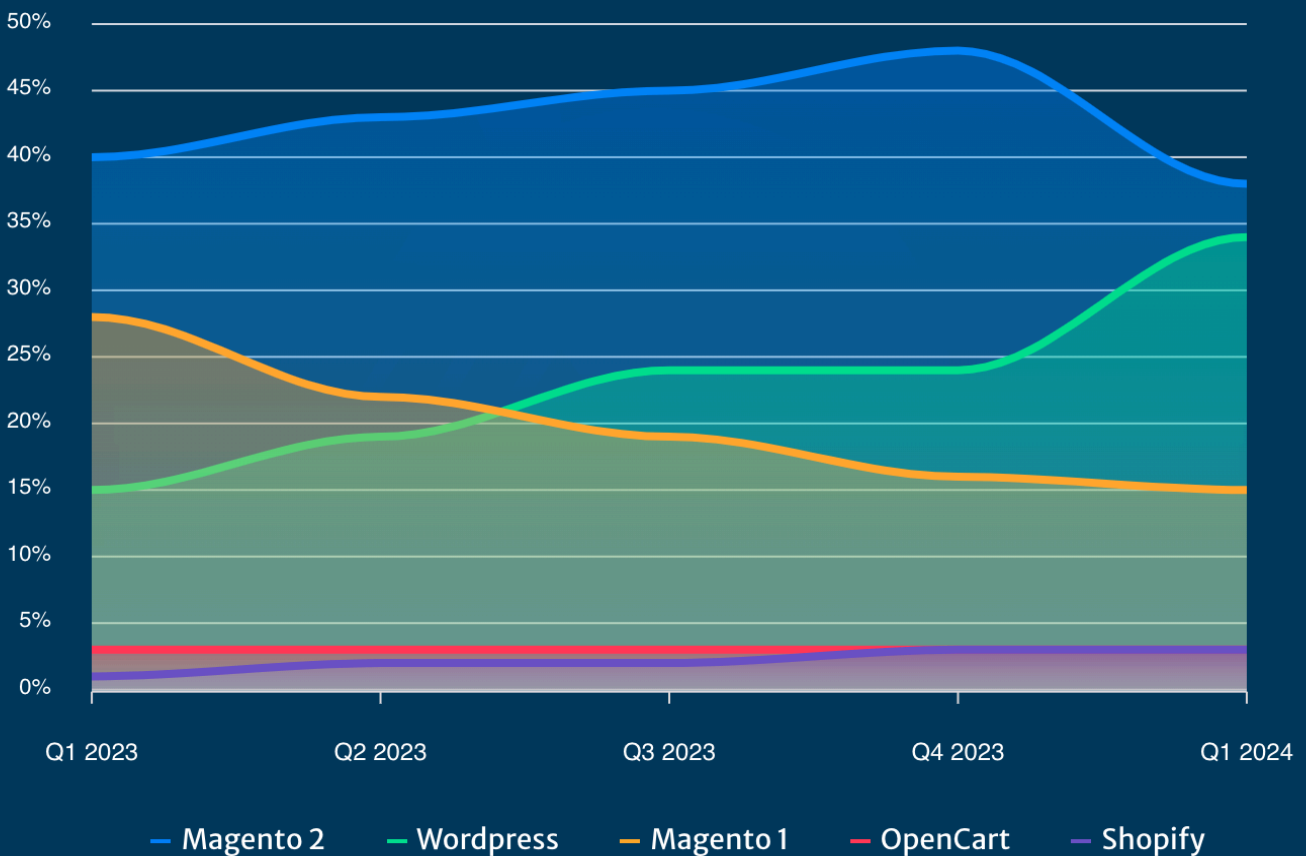
## Portfolio: 14.5m+ websites

Our portfolio has built up over nearly a decade of providing free website security assessments and consists of predominantly eCommerce websites.

The portfolio is assessed every fortnight using the latest threat intel, combined with a threat database from nearly 15 years of eCommerce forensic investigations.



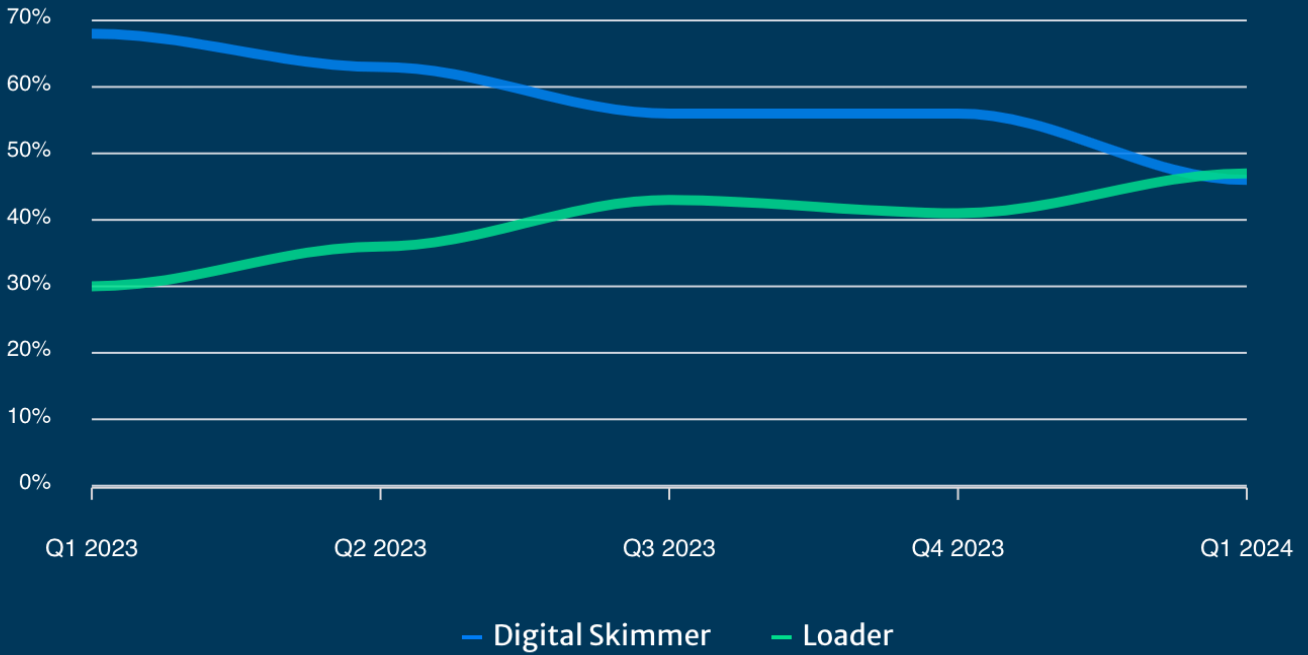
## TOP 5 TARGETED PLATFORMS



### Targeted platforms

These Top 5 eCommerce platforms account for **92%** of the malware detected this quarter.

# DIGITAL SKIMMERS & LOADERS



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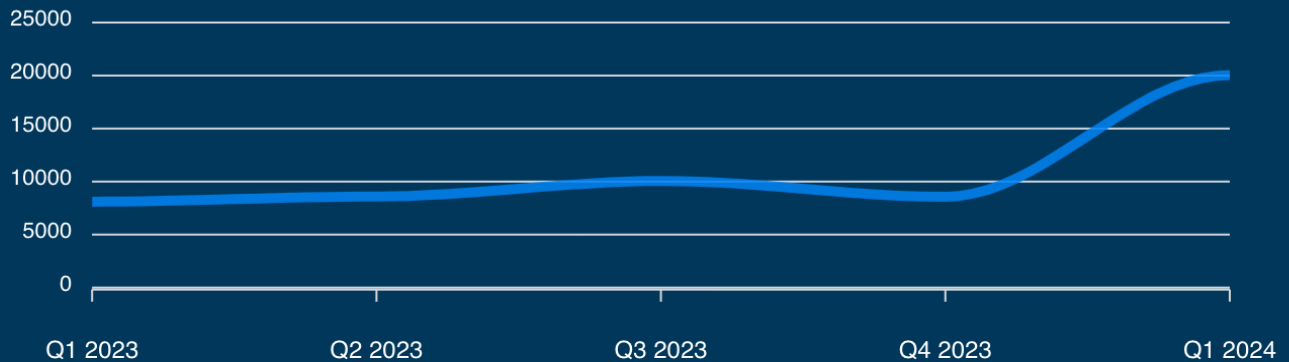
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## Notable observations:

- Loader malware on victim websites is now more prevalent than skimmers.
- Digital skimmers are still part of the attack chain, but being used *WITH* loaders and more complex attacks.



## Hacked eCommerce sites



NB: Many sites are infected with multiple types of malware.

## Significant growth in hacked sites:

- Portfolio growth.
- Adapting threatscape making it challenging to detect criminals.

## Top 5 loaders & skimmers and the platforms being targeted

Malware rule (loaders)	Affected platforms
JS_loader_parrot	Wordpress, Joomla, Drupal, Magento 1, Magento 2, OpenCart
JS_loader_firstkiss	Magento 2, BigCommerce, Magento 1
JS_loader_injector_google_ads	Wordpress, Magento 2, OpenCart, Magento 1, Joomla
JS_loader_cloudsonicwave	Wordpress, PHP
JS_loader_kritec	Magento 2, Wordpress, Prestashop, OpenCart, Magento 1, OpenMage

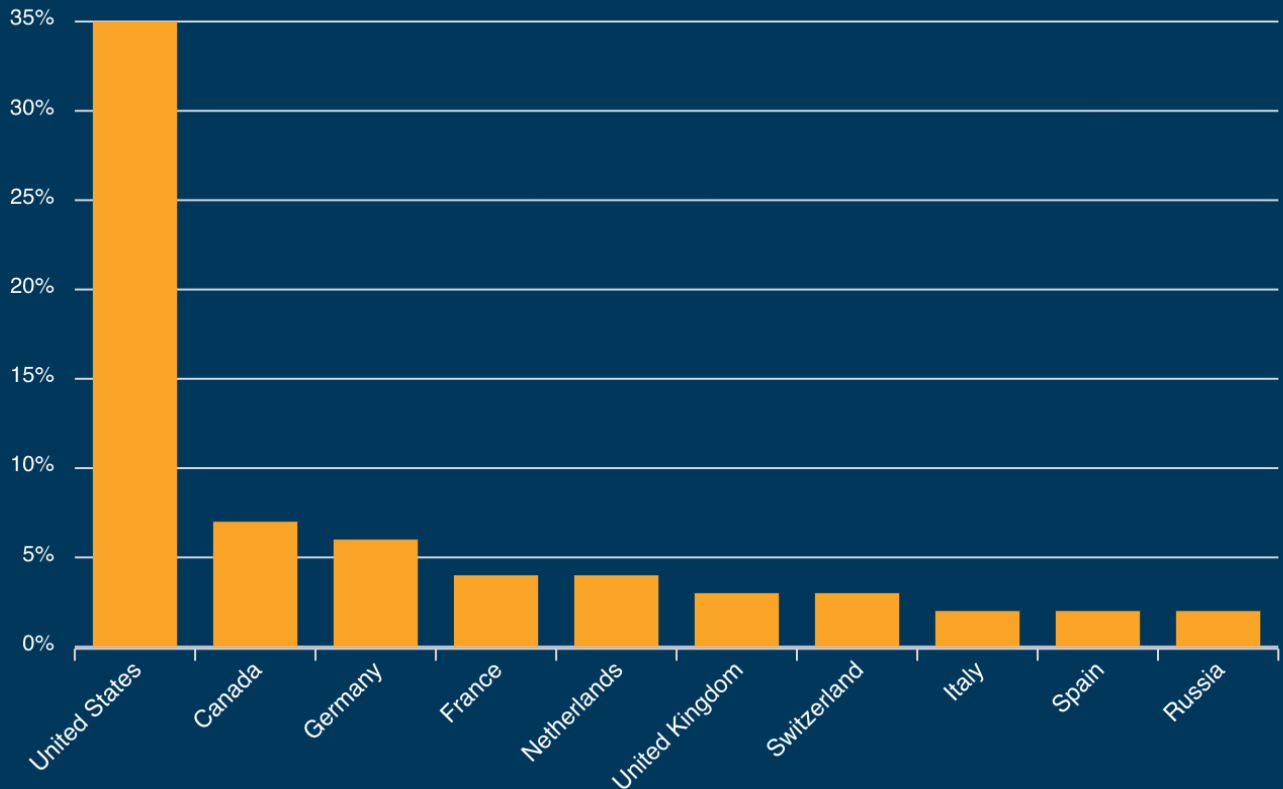
Top 5 account for 70% of all loaders detected.

Malware rule (skimmers)	Affected platforms
JS_skimmer_z3r0day	Magento 1, Magento 2, Wordpress, Squarespace
JS_Skimmer_Gclon	Magento 1, Magento 2
JS_skimmer_united81	Magento 1, Magento 2, Wordpress, Drupal
JS_skimmer_dedwards_packed	Wordpress, OpenCart, Magento 1, Magento 2, Joomla
JS_skimmer_google_ads	Wordpress, OpenCart, Magento 1, Magento 2

# MALICIOUS DOMAIN SOURCES



## Top 10 countries serving up malware



NB: These countries are where the malware is being served from, not necessarily where it originates.

## Why are these sites being hacked?

Criminals target the websites easiest to hack. The vast majority of hacked sites share the same characteristics:

- Out of date software.
- Basic security errors (exposed Admin login).
- Limited/no proactive security measures.

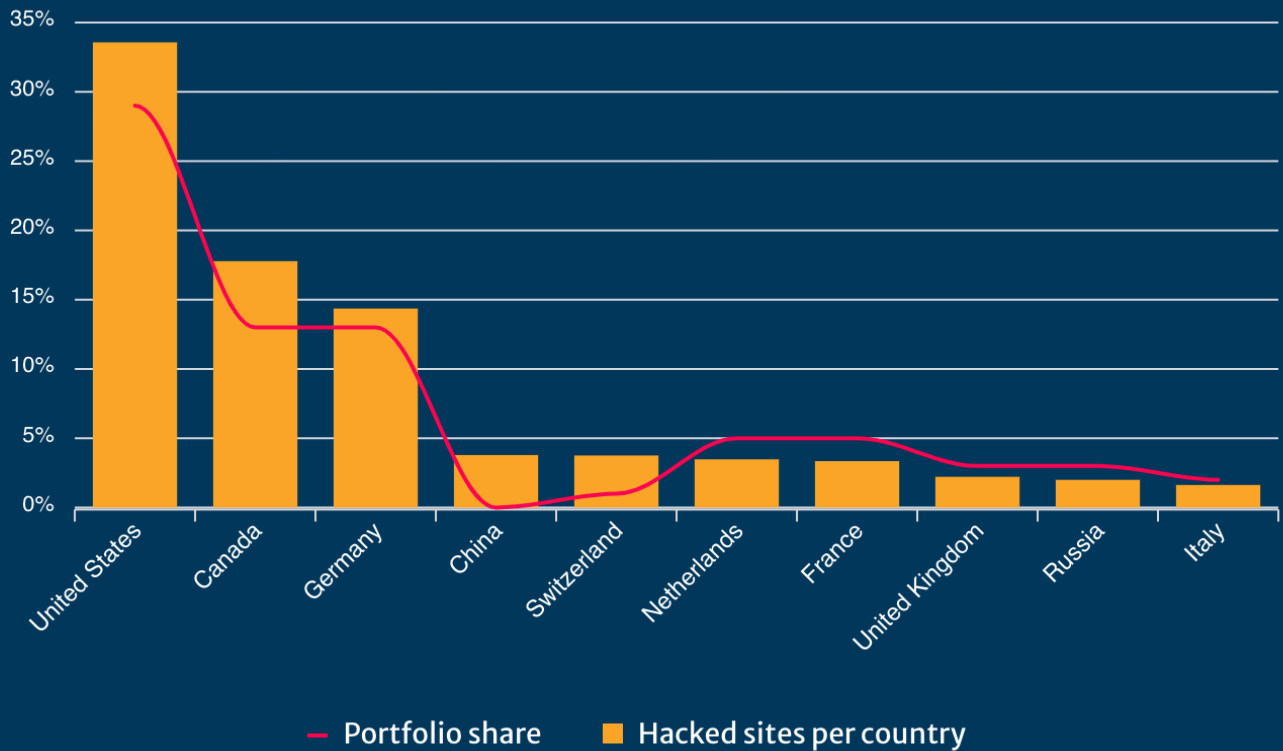
Most common denominator:  
**lack of cyber security awareness/skills.**



# TOP 10 TARGETED COUNTRIES



## Hacked sites vs portfolio share by country



## WHAT IS THE COST OF A BREACH?

### Short answer: wide ranging & "it depends".

Depending on where you source the data, the cost of a breach can range from ~\$3,000 to \$500k+.

Key drivers of cost:

- Number of customer records stolen.
- Liability built up on stolen payment card data.
- GDPR/ICO penalties.
- Legal, PR etc.

You can read a blog post with our analysis on our website:

[www.foregenix.com/blog/](http://www.foregenix.com/blog/)



## HOW CAN YOU GET PROACTIVE?:

- Step 1: Understand your website's CURRENT risk status.
- Step 2: Take action to mitigate the risks (see our blog for simple steps to secure your online business).
- Step 3: Monitor for threats. Keep secure while the threatscape evolves.

You can easily check if your business is one of the many hacked sites detected. You will need to create a free account then run a scan using the latest Threat IOCs.

It takes 2 minutes and is completely free – no credit card required.

[www.foregenix.com/threatview](http://www.foregenix.com/threatview)

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