

Task 3 Info Sec
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Executive Summary

This report analyzes **99,999** HTTP requests from a web server log (May 1–7, 2025).
Key findings include:

✓ **Most requests were successful** (69,894 200 OK responses).

⚠ **14.06% failed requests** (14,064 errors, mostly 404 Not Found).

↑ **Top active user:** 192.168.1.41 (2,093 total requests).

📅 **Daily average:** 14,285 requests/day.

Detailed Breakdown

1. Request Methods

Method	Count	% of Total
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GET	80,072	80.07%
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POST	19,928	19.93%
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◆ **GET requests dominate**, typical for content retrieval (e.g., web pages, images).

◆ **POST requests** (20%) likely include form submissions or API calls.

2. Unique IP Addresses

- **50 unique IPs** accessed the server.
- **Top 3 IPs by activity:**
 1. 192.168.1.41 (**1,665 GETs + 428 POSTs = 2,093 total**).
 2. 192.168.1.7 (1,648 GETs + **436 POSTs**).
 3. 192.168.1.46 (1,662 GETs + 421 POSTs).

◆ Suspicious activity?

- 192.168.1.7 has the **highest POST requests** (436), possibly indicating aggressive form submissions.

3. Failed Requests (Errors)

Status Code	Count	% of Failures
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404	4,968	35.3%
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401	2,049	14.6%
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400	2,035	14.5%
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403	1,968	14.0%
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◆ **Total failures: 14,064 (14.06% of all requests).**

◆ **Peak failure times:**

- **3:00 AM** (631 errors)
- **11:00 AM** (623 errors)
- **2:00 AM** (617 errors)

⚠ **Action Item:** Investigate **404s** (broken links) and **401/403s** (authentication issues).

4. Traffic Patterns

📅 Daily Requests

Date	Requests	Failures
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06/May/2025	Highest	2,081
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07/May/2025	Lowest	1,935
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◆ Average daily requests: 14,285.

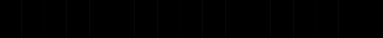
🕒 Hourly Trends


- Peak hours: 3:00 AM, 11:00 AM, 2:00 PM.
- Lowest activity: 12:00 AM–5:00 AM.


5. Top Users & Methods

Metric	IP Address	Count
Most Active	192.168.1.41	2,093
Top GETs	192.168.1.41	1,665
Top POSTs	192.168.1.7	436

📊 Visual Summary

Success (200/201)  79.84%

Failures (4xx/5xx)  14.06%

Other (3xx)  6.10%