

Massive Oracle Cloud Breach

6 Million Records Exfiltrated in Sophisticated Cyberattack

1.INTRODUCTION



- Security vendor CloudSEK recently exposed a massive breach in Oracle Cloud, compromising 6 million records.
- The breach, affecting over 140,000 tenants, involved sensitive data like JKS files and encrypted SSO passwords.
- A threat actor, "rose87168," exploited a suspected undisclosed vulnerability, demanding ransom for the stolen data.
- **Despite Oracle's denial**, evidence suggests a serious security lapse with far-reaching implications.
- This post breaks down the technical details, execution, and expert insights into this critical incident.

2. TECHNICAL BREAKDOWN



- The attack demonstrates the need for robust vulnerability management and patching strategies.
- The breach targeted Oracle Cloud's SSO and LDAP systems, exfiltrating 6M records including JKS files (Java KeyStore) for cryptographic keys.
- Encrypted SSO passwords and Enterprise Manager JPS keys were stolen, critical for authentication and access control.
- CloudSEK suspects a zero-day vulnerability in Oracle WebLogic Server, possibly CVE-2021-35587 (CVSS 9.8), unpatched since 2014.
- The login endpoint "login.(region-name).oraclecloud.com" was the entry point, exposing tenant data across regions.
- Data was dumped via sophisticated exploitation, highlighting weaknesses in Oracle's cloud infrastructure security.

3. ATTACK EXECUTION DETAILS



- The attacker, "rose87168," began operations in January 2025, compromising "login.us2.oraclecloud.com" by mid-February.
- Using an unpatched flaw, they extracted 6M records and uploaded a text file to the server as proof (archived on Wayback Machine).
- Data was advertised on **BreachForums on March 21, 2025**, with samples showing real tenant domains like sbgtv.com.
- The **actor offered decryption assistance** incentives and demanded ransoms, escalating pressure on affected organizations.
- Oracle took the subdomain offline post-breach, but not before significant data exposure occurred.

4. UNDERLYING MOTIVATIONS



- Financial gain drives **"rose87168,"** who **demanded 100,000 XMR (~\$200M)** from Oracle for vulnerability details.
- **Selling 6M records** on dark web forums like BreachForums aims to maximize profit from stolen credentials.
- Extortion of 140,000+ tenants reflects a strategy to exploit corporate fear of data leaks and reputational damage.
- The actor's sophistication suggests a targeted hit on a **high-value cloud provider** to establish credibility.
- Lack of prior history indicates a new player testing the waters with a high-stakes supply chain attack.

5. ADDITIONAL NEWS & UPDATES



- Oracle denied the breach on March 22, 2025, claiming no customer data was lost, contradicting CloudSEK's findings.
- CloudSEK's follow-up on March 25 validated the breach with a 10,000-line sample, confirmed by BleepingComputer.
- Posts on X from @NSIguy and @TweekFawkes (March 26-27) highlight ongoing debates over Oracle's security.
- CVE-2021-35587, tied to Oracle Fusion Middleware, remains a focal point for vulnerability discussions.
- The incident underscores rising supply chain attack trends, per Arctic Wolf's 2025 Threat Report.

6. EXPERTS RECOMMENDATIONS



- CloudSEK's Rahul Sasi emphasizes transparency, urging immediate credential rotation and MFA enforcement.
- Chad Cragle (Deepwatch CISO) questions Oracle's denial, citing the uploaded file as evidence of access.
- **Heath Renfrow (Fenix24**) recommends auditing SSO configs and monitoring for compromise indicators.
- **Reset all LDAP/SSO passwords,** regenerate JKS files, and conduct forensic probes, per CloudSEK's advisory.
- Experts warn of supply chain risks; organizations must enhance patch management and dark web monitoring.



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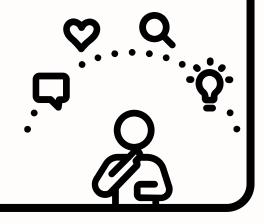
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