

# Measuring Internet filters and their unexpected impact

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# WHAT IS INTERNET CENSORSHIP?

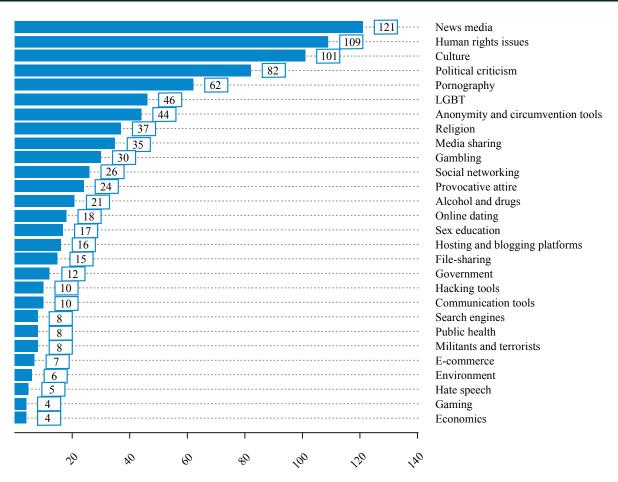
#### Internet Censorship | 'Intenet sensersip|

- 1. a distortion of the reality of the Internet created by those in power.
- 2. another term for FILTERNET.



# OONI The Open Observatory of Network Interference

# OONI IS OPEN METHODOLOGIES OPEN SOURCE SOFTWARE OPEN DATA



Blocked domains in Iran

From 2014 to 2017

September 2017

At least 25 websites related to the Catalonia Independence Referendum were blocked.

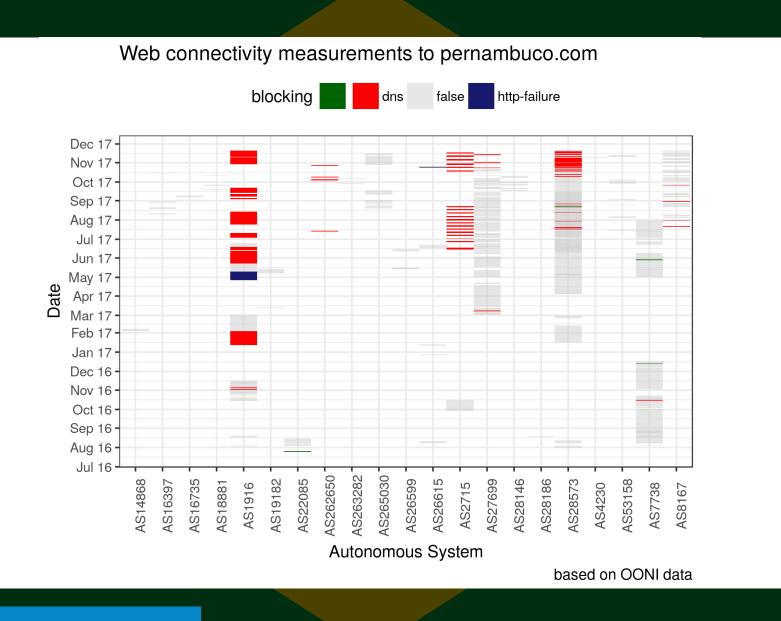
The .cat registry was raided and forced to take down many websites.

#### Spain

October 2017



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#### November 2017



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Memo leaked last year from State Department policy chief reveals US human rights playbook currently active in its Iran (but not Saudi) discourse. politico.com/f/? id=00000160 ...

One useful guideline for a realistic and successful foreign policy is that allies should be treated differently -- and better -- than adversaries. Otherwise, we end up with more adversaries, and fewer allies. The classic dilemma of balancing ideals and interests is with regard to America's allies. In relation to our competitors, there is far less of a dilemma. We do not look to bolster America's adversaries overseas; we look to pressure, compete with, and outmaneuver them. For this reason, we should consider human rights as an important issue in regard to US relations with China, Russia, North Korea, and Iran. And this is not only because of moral concern for practices inside those countries. It is also because pressing those regimes on human rights is one way to impose costs, apply counter-pressure, and regain the initiative from them strategically.

2:30 PM - 2 Jan 2018

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## OONI SOFTWARE ECOSYSTEM

















### **OONI Software tests**











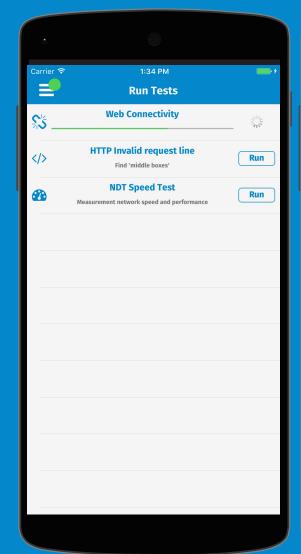
**Speed & Performance** 



#### **MEASUREMENT APP FOR**











#### **OONI Probe Dashboard**

ooniprobe 2.2.1-dev | running ⊙ | Location: IS (AS47172)

**Test Tor** 



**Test the Web** 



**Test Instant Messaging Apps** 



**Test for Middle Boxes** 



Last 4 tests

□ telegram

Dec 23, 2017 3:14 AM

Dec 23, 2017 3:14 AM

Dec 23, 2017 3:10 AM

Dec 23, 2017 3:05 AM

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**View your measurements** 



#### Let's fight internet censorship together!

#### Test Name

#### **Internet Censorship**

Web Connectivity Check if websites are blocked. Learn how this test works here

#### **Speed & Performance**

- NDT Speed Test
- O DASH Video Streaming

#### **Middleboxes**

- HTTP Invalid Request Line
- HTTP Header Field Manipulation.

#### What you can do

Generate a link and share it with your friends and contacts around the world. Encourage them to run OONI Probe to test the sites of your choice!

#### **URLs**

http://

+ Add URL

**GENERATE** 

https://run.ooni.io

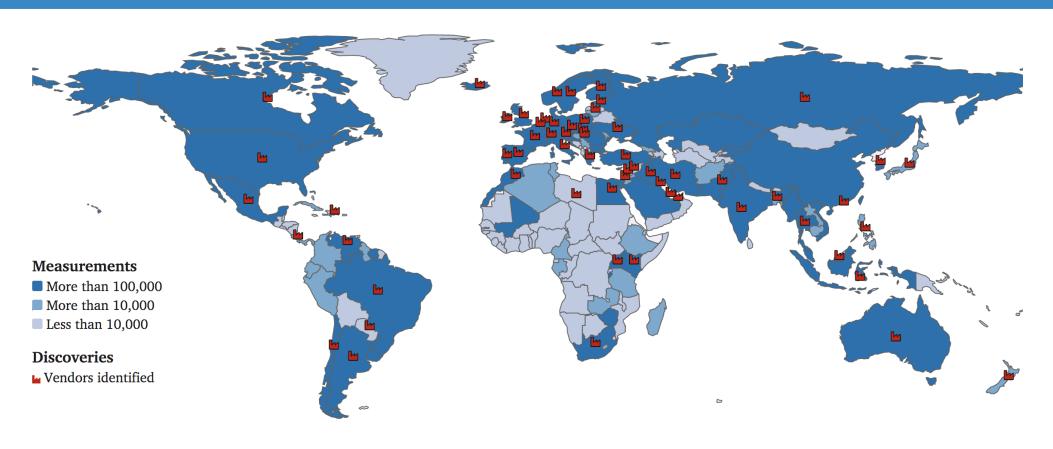
## OPEN DATA

- **OONI** | Pipeline
- **OONI** API
- **OONI** | Explorer

Provides **evidence** of censorship events

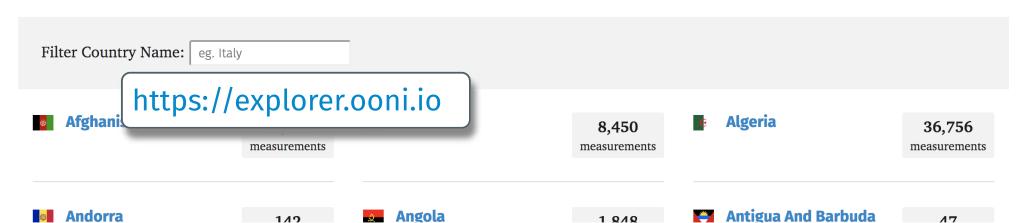
Allows researchers to conduct independent studies & to explore other research questions

Allows the public to **verify** our findings



#### **Country List**

Browse countries to find the one you want to investigate measurements for





Files API docs Statistics

#### Welcome to the OONI API

Dynamically updated every day, the OONI API enables researchers and data scientists to analyze all data collected from OONI Probes around the world.

Download and search OONI Probe network measurements.

Join the OONI data analyst community and help uncover internet censorship worldwide!

**READ THE API DOCS** 

#### Latest Measurements

ASN	Country code	Test Start Time	Test Name	
AS9121	TR	2018-01-04 21:32:10	ndt	Download
AS15895	https://api.ooni.io	2017-12-30 05:49:02	ndt	Download
AS15895 <b>NTT</b>		2017-12-30 01:46:11	ndt	Download
AS5438	TN	2017-12-29 11:14:18	ndt	Download
AS197207	IR	2017-12-28 16:35:15	ndt	Download
AS4818	MY	2017-12-28 01:59:24	ndt	Download

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# What's wrong with INTERNET CENSORSHIP?

HTTPS throttled, AlexaTop50 adult websites serving malware. Users complaining for months.

Unauthorised access? Corrupt sysadmin?

Egypt

المهورية مصرالعربية

Autumn 2016

ooni.torproject.org/post/egypt-network-interference

#### Certificate Hierarchy

- \*DigiCert High Assurance EV Root CA
  - \*DigiCert SHA2 High Assurance Server CA
    - \*.wikipedia.org

#### Certificate Fields

- Certificate Basic Constraints
- Certificate Key Usage
- Extended Key Usage
- -Authority Information Access
- CRL Distribution Points
- Certificate Policies
- Certificate Subject Key ID
- Certificate Authority Key Identifier
- Certificate Signature Algorithm

#### Field Value

Not Critical

OCSP: URI: http://ocsp.digicert.com

Prosecutor's experts try to ban gambling app endpoints Probably, enumerating them with network sniffer...

Digicert OCSP responders are gone

Chrome and Firefox lag, Safari can't access wikipedia & facebook at all

October 2016

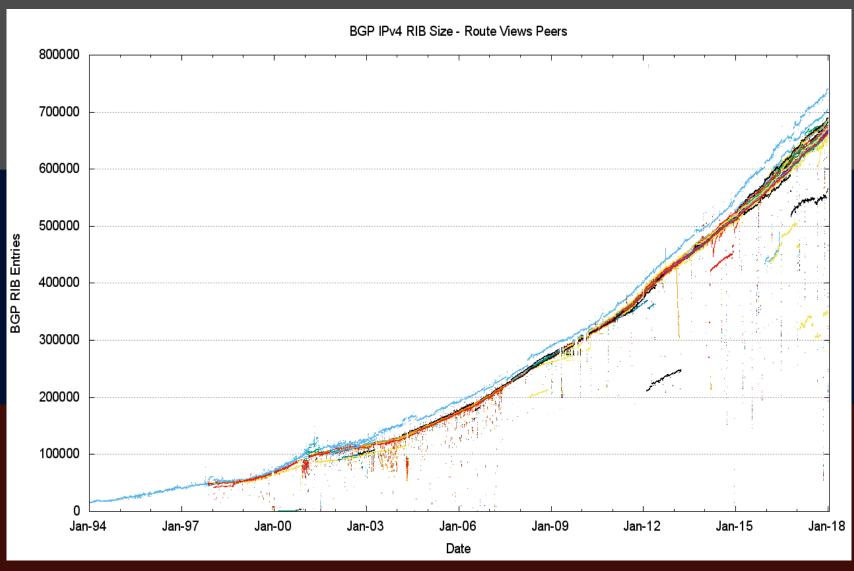


Hacktivists added *some* IPs from MSK-IX-NET as A records of blacklisted domain

Filtering /32 routes appeared at borders...

8% of traffic is gone

June 2017



Geoff Huston, APNIC Labs

~600 domains for "entity" like Grani, BaltBet or ZenitBet (or ~3900 available expired domains per <a href="Phil Kulin's stats">Phil Kulin's stats</a>)

× 4093 A DNS RRs per domain name

≈ 2.5M /32 routes in RIB and, maybe, TCAM

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