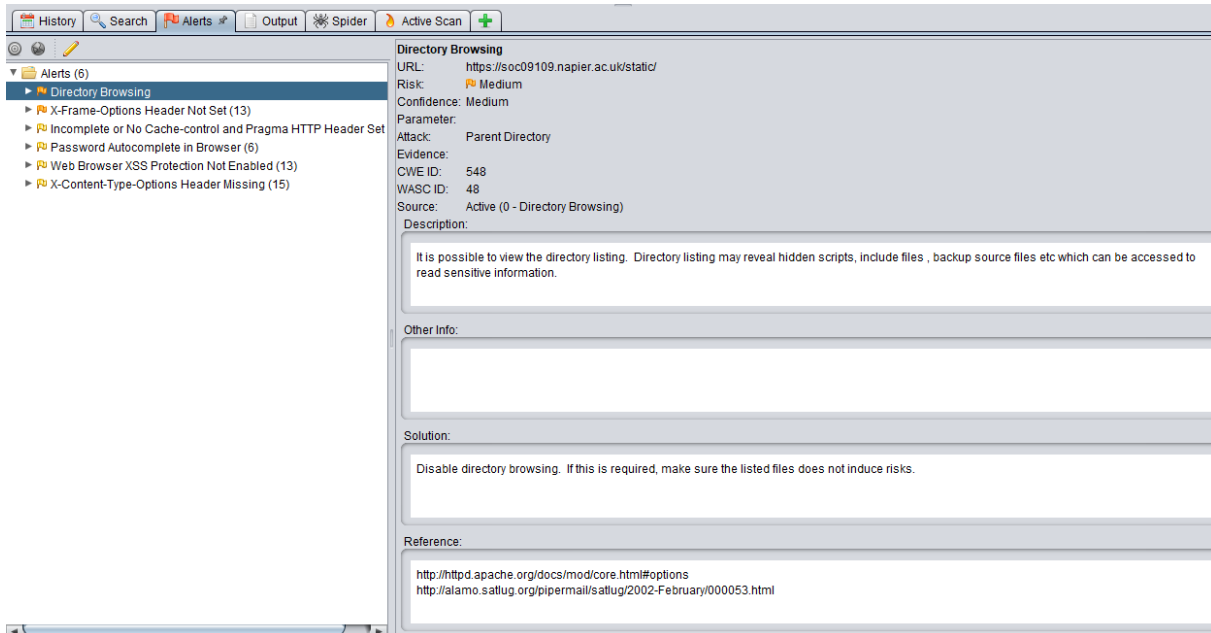
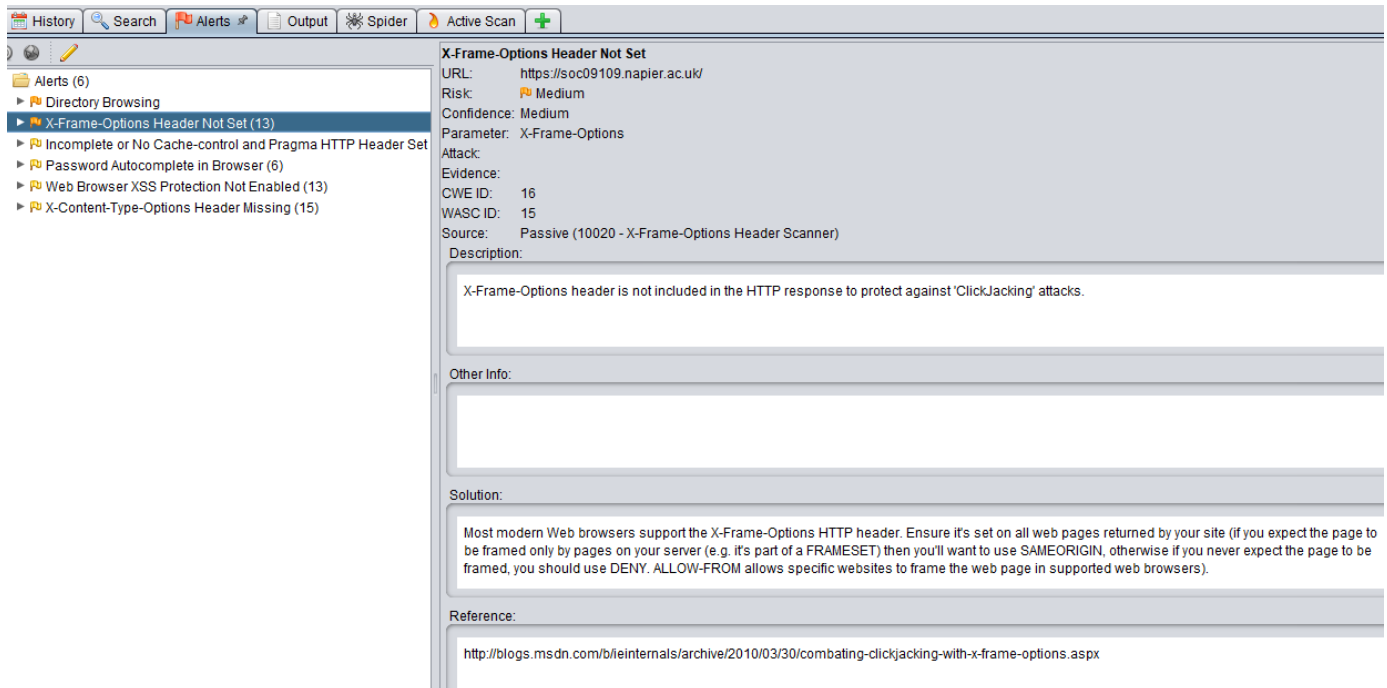


- 1) It is possible to view the directory listing which may allow sensitive data such as files to be accessed by potential attackers. Disabling directory browsing should therefore happen.



- 2) X-Frame-Options header is not included in the HTTP response to protect against 'Clickjacking' attacks. Clickjacking, also known as a "UI redress attack", is when an attacker uses multiple transparent or opaque layers to trick a user into clicking on a button or link on another page when they were intending to click on the top level page. Thus, the attacker is "hijacking" clicks meant for their page and routing them to another page, most likely owned by another application, domain, or both. The most popular way to defend against Clickjacking is to include some sort of "frame-breaking" functionality which prevents other web pages from framing the site you wish to defend.



- 3) Even after the session has been closed, it might be possible to access the private or sensitive data exchanged within the session through the web browser cache. Therefore, web applications must use restrictive cache directives for all the web traffic exchanged through HTTP and HTTPS, such as the “Cache-Control: no-cache,no-store” and “Pragma: no-cache” HTTP headers [5], and/or equivalent META tags on all or (at least) sensitive web pages.

Independently of the cache policy defined by the web application, if caching web application contents is allowed, the session IDs must never be cached, so it is highly recommended to use the “Cache-Control: no-cache=”Set-Cookie, Set-Cookie2”” directive, to allow web clients to cache everything except the session ID.

The screenshot shows the Burp Suite interface with the 'Alerts' tab selected. The left sidebar lists several alerts, with 'Incomplete or No Cache-control and Pragma HTTP Header Set' highlighted. The main panel displays the details for this alert:

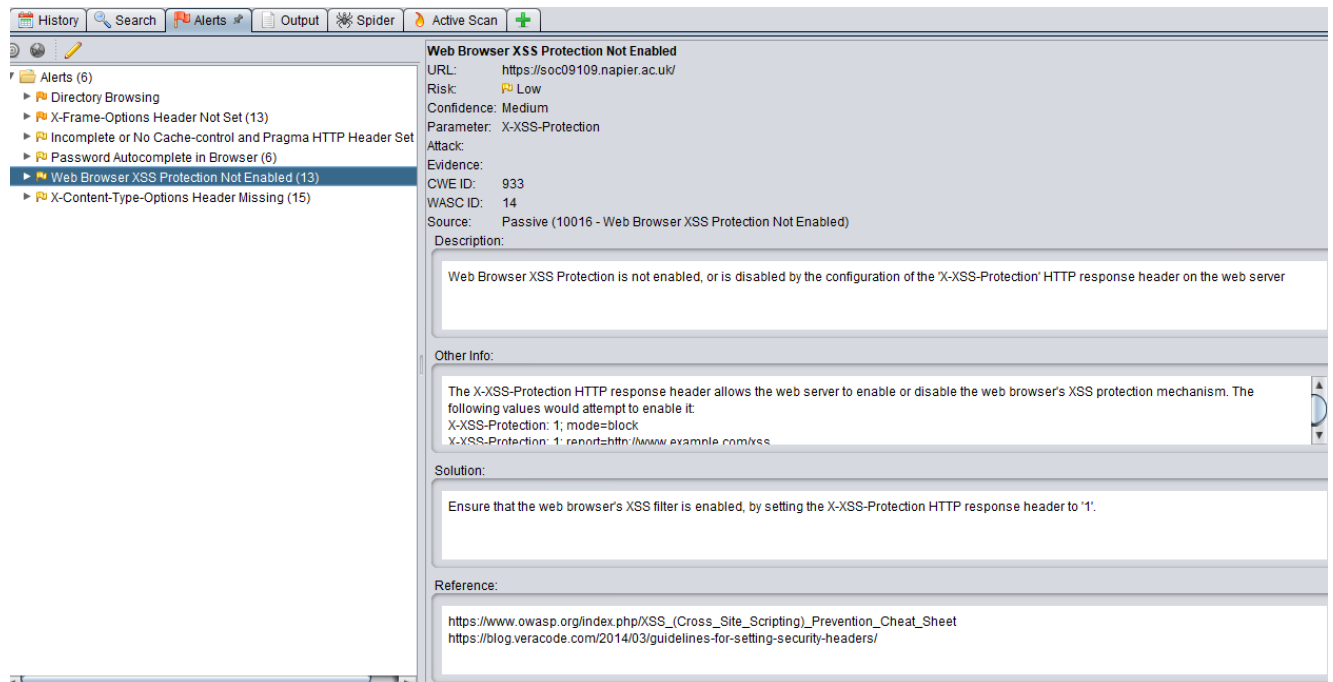
- Title:** Incomplete or No Cache-control and Pragma HTTP Header Set
- URL:** https://soc09109.napier.ac.uk/
- Risk:** Low
- Confidence:** Medium
- Parameter:** Cache-Control
- Attack:**
- Evidence:**
- CWE ID:** 525
- WASC ID:** 13
- Source:** Passive (10015 - Incomplete or No Cache-control and Pragma HTTP Header Set)
- Description:** The cache-control and pragma HTTP header have not been set properly or are missing allowing the browser and proxies to cache content.
- Other Info:**
- Solution:** Whenever possible ensure the cache-control HTTP header is set with no-cache, no-store, must-revalidate; and that the pragma HTTP header is set with no-cache.
- Reference:** https://www.owasp.org/index.php/Session_Management_Cheat_Sheet#Web_Content_Caching

- 4) Most browsers have a facility to remember user credentials that are entered into HTML forms. This function can be configured by the user and also by applications that employ user credentials. If the function is enabled, then credentials entered by the user are stored on their local computer and retrieved by the browser on future visits to the same application. The stored credentials can be captured by an attacker who gains control over the user's computer. Further, an attacker who finds a separate application vulnerability such as cross-site scripting may be able to exploit this to retrieve a user's browser-stored credentials. To prevent browsers from storing credentials entered into HTML forms, include the attribute **autocomplete="off"** within the FORM tag (to protect all form fields) or within the relevant INPUT tags (to protect specific individual fields).

The screenshot shows the Burp Suite interface with the 'Alerts' tab selected. The left sidebar lists several alerts, with 'Password Autocomplete in Browser' highlighted. The main panel displays the details for this alert:

- Title:** Password Autocomplete in Browser
- URL:** https://soc09109.napier.ac.uk/login/
- Risk:** Low
- Confidence:** Medium
- Parameter:** password
- Attack:**
- Evidence:** <input type="password" class="form-control" placeholder="Password" name="password" value="">
- CWE ID:** 525
- WASC ID:** 15
- Source:** Passive (10012 - Password Autocomplete in Browser)
- Description:** The AUTOCOMPLETE attribute is not disabled on an HTML FORM/INPUT element containing password type input. Passwords may be stored in browsers and retrieved.
- Other Info:**
- Solution:** Turn off the AUTOCOMPLETE attribute in forms or individual input elements containing password inputs by using AUTOCOMPLETE="OFF".
- Reference:** http://www.w3schools.com/tags/att_input_autocomplete.asp
<https://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/ms53486%28v=vs.85%29.aspx>

- 5) Web Browser XSS Protection is not enabled, or is disabled by the configuration of the 'X-XSS-Protection' HTTP response header on the web server. Cross-Site Scripting (XSS) attacks are a type of injection, in which malicious scripts are injected into otherwise benign and trusted web sites. XSS attacks occur when an attacker uses a web application to send malicious code, generally in the form of a browser side script, to a different end user. The web browsers XSS filter will need to be enabled to resolve this problem.



- 6) The Anti-MIME-Sniffing Header X-Content-Type-Options was not set to 'nosniff'. This allows older versions of Internet Explorer and Chrome to perform MIME-sniffing on the response body, potentially causing the response body to be interpreted and displayed as a content type other than the declared content type. Current (early 2014) and legacy versions of Firefox will use the declared content type (if one is set), rather than performing MIME-sniffing. MIME sniffing is done for the purpose of **determining an asset's file format**. This technique is useful in the event that there is not enough metadata information present for a particular asset, thus leaving the possibility that the browser interprets the asset incorrectly. Need to make sure, to avoid potential MIME attacks, that x-content-type is set to 'nosniff'

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Directory Browsing

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Password Autocomplete in Browser (6)

Web Browser XSS Protection Not Enabled (13)

X-Content-Type-Options Header Missing (15)

X-Content-Type-Options Header Missing

URL: <https://soc09109.napier.ac.uk/>

Risk: Low

Confidence: Medium

Parameter: X-Content-Type-Options

Attack:

Evidence:

CWE ID: 16

WASC ID: 15

Source: Passive (10021 - X-Content-Type-Options Header Missing)

Description:

The Anti-MIME-Sniffing header X-Content-Type-Options was not set to 'nosniff'. This allows older versions of Internet Explorer and Chrome to perform MIME-sniffing on the response body, potentially causing the response body to be interpreted and displayed as a content type other than the declared content type. Current (early 2014) and legacy versions of Firefox will use the declared content type (if one is set), rather than performing MIME-sniffing.

Other Info:

This issue still applies to error type pages (401, 403, 500, etc) as those pages are often still affected by injection issues, in which case there is still concern for browsers sniffing pages away from their actual content type.
At "High" threshold this scanner will not alert on client or server error responses.

Solution:

Ensure that the application/web server sets the Content-Type header appropriately, and that it sets the X-Content-Type-Options header to 'nosniff' for all web pages.
If possible, ensure that the end user uses a standards-compliant and modern web browser that does not perform MIME-sniffing at all, or that can be directed by the web application/web server to not perform MIME-sniffing.

Reference:

<http://msdn.microsoft.com/en-us/library/ie/gg622941%28v=vs.85%29.aspx>
https://www.owasp.org/index.php/List_of_useful_HTTP_headers