

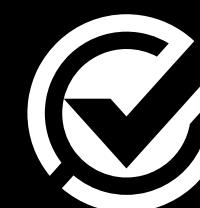
# Exploring 3,000+ Known Exploited Vulnerabilities

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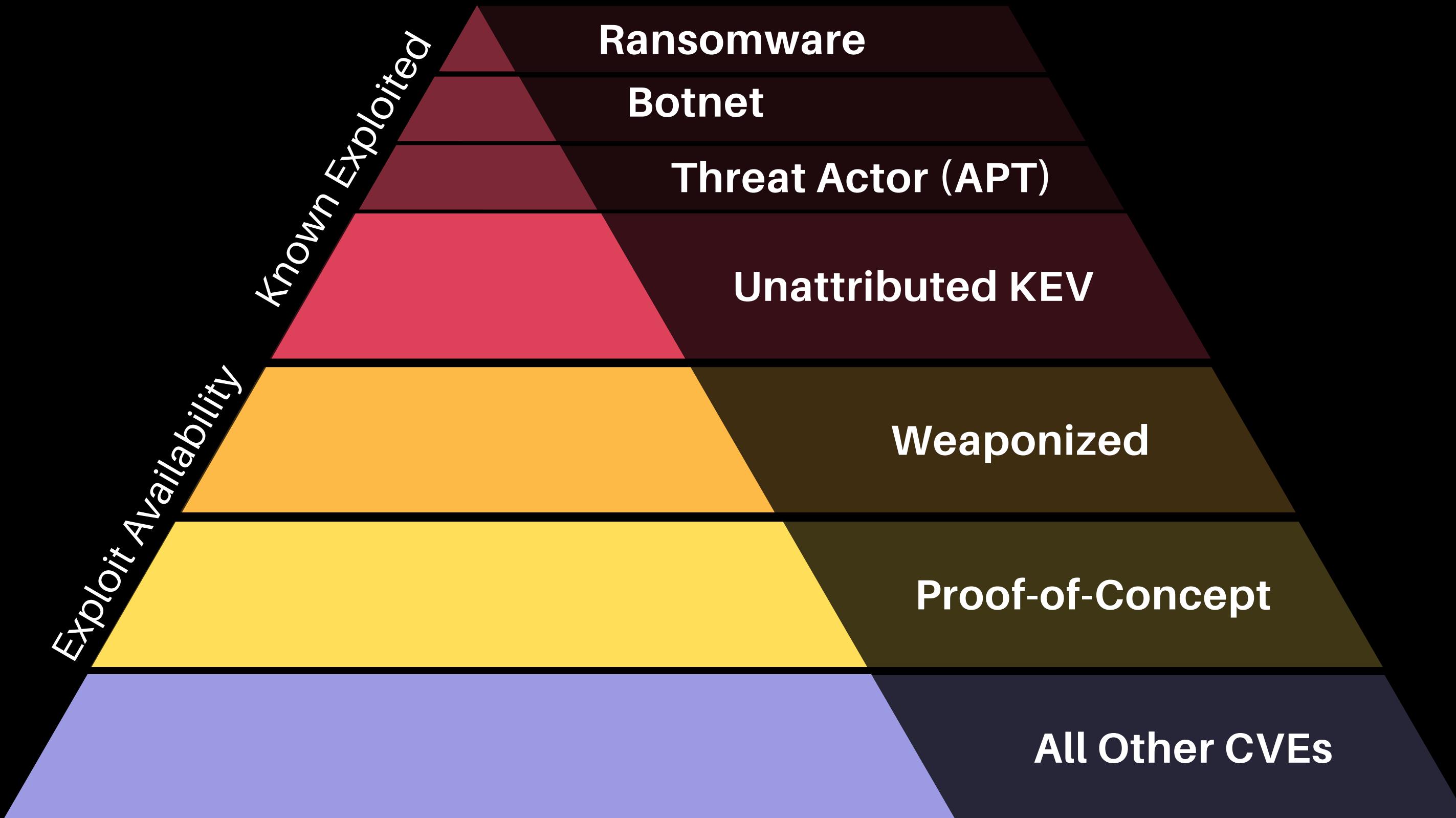


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How do we improve  
prediction?

# Where does KEV live?



# What is VulnCheck KEV?

We include any vulnerability publicly-reported as exploited in the wild in VulnCheck KEV.

Trusted Sources  
Automated KEV



Everything else we collect is Analyzed by a human



Let's Look At a  
Known Exploited  
vulnerability...

# JSON... Machine Readable

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# VULNCHECK KEV EXPLOITATION TIMELINE

## CVE-2020-15415 | DRAYTEK

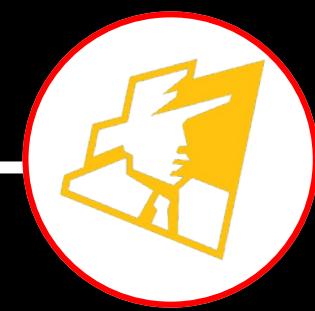
2023-02-15



### Exploitation Confirmed

Source: Palo Alto Networks  
Mirai Variant V3G4 Targets  
IoT Devices  
Added to VulnCheck KEV

2024-02-01



### Exploitation Activity First Seen\*

Source: ShadowServer  
Tag: 2023-03-01

2024-09-18



### PRC Botnet Report

Source: Five Eyes

2024-09-30



### Exploitation Confirmed

Source: CISA

# Mirai Variant V3G4 Targets IoT Devices

## Executive Summary

From July to December 2022, Unit 42 researchers observed a Mirai variant called V3G4, which was leveraging several vulnerabilities to spread itself. The vulnerabilities exploited include the following:

- [CVE-2012-4869](#): FreePBX Elastix Remote Command Execution Vulnerability
- [Gitorious Remote Command Execution Vulnerability](#)
- [CVE-2014-9727](#): FRITZ!Box Webcam Remote Command Execution Vulnerability
- [Mitel AWC Remote Command Execution Vulnerability](#)
- [CVE-2017-5173](#): Geutebruck IP Cameras Remote Command Execution Vulnerability
- [CVE-2019-15107](#): Webmin Command Injection Vulnerability
- [Spree Commerce Arbitrary Command Execution Vulnerability](#)
- [FLIR Thermal Camera Remote Command Execution Vulnerability](#)
- [CVE-2020-8515](#): DrayTek Vigor Remote Command Execution Vulnerability
- [CVE-2020-15415](#): DrayTek Vigor Remote Command Injection Vulnerability

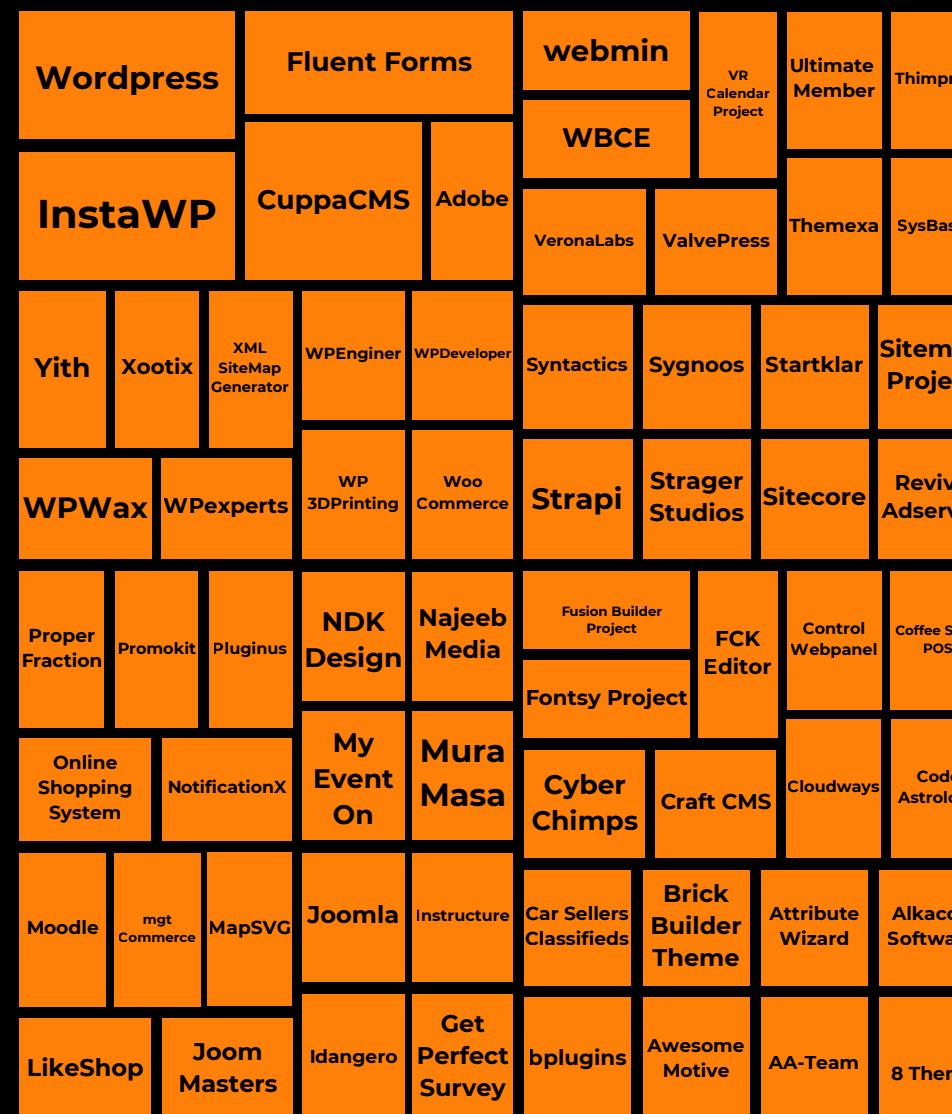
What Technologies  
Have Known  
Exploited  
Vulnerabilities?

# What Types of Technologies Have Known Exploited Vulnerabilities (1H-2024)

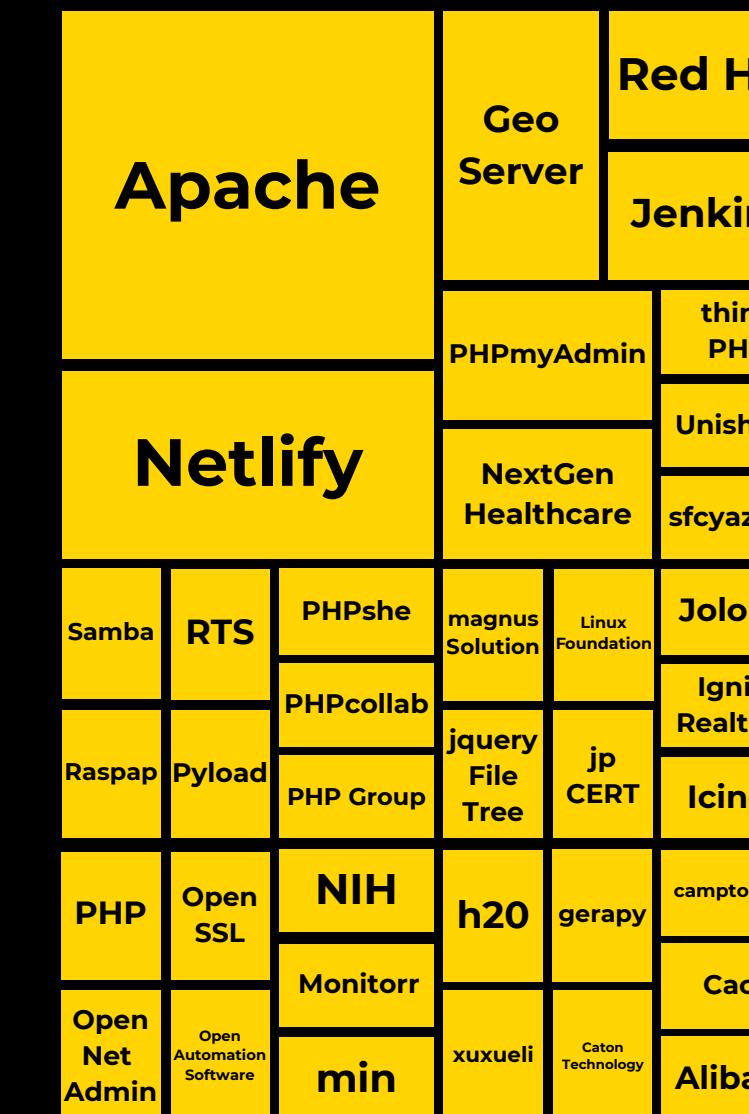
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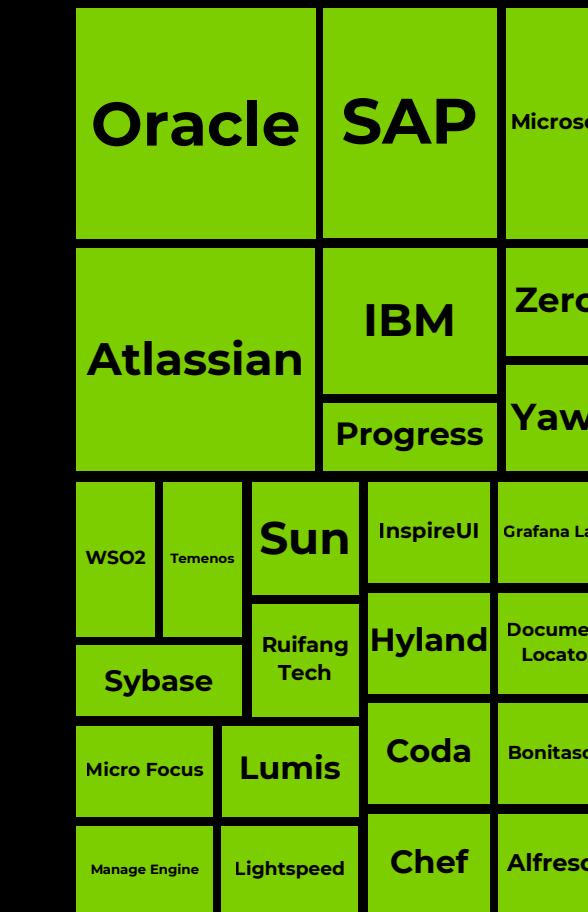
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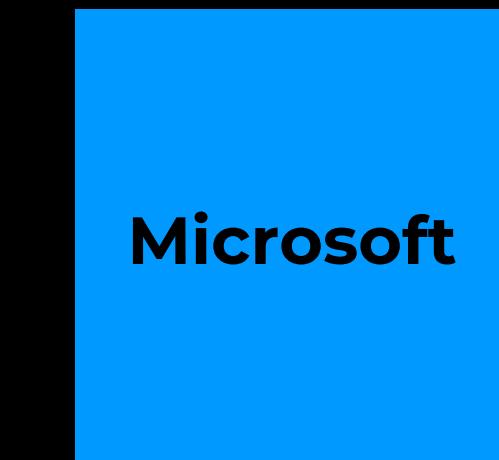
## Open Source Software



## Server Software



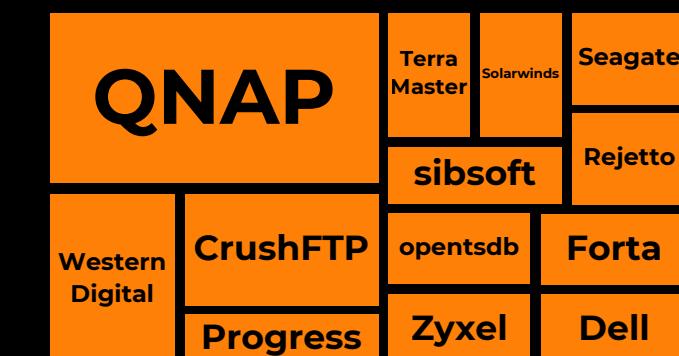
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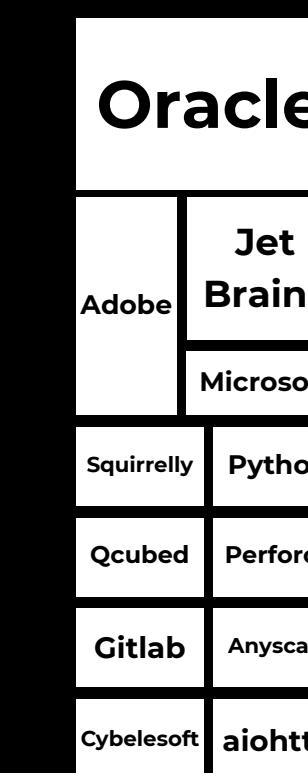
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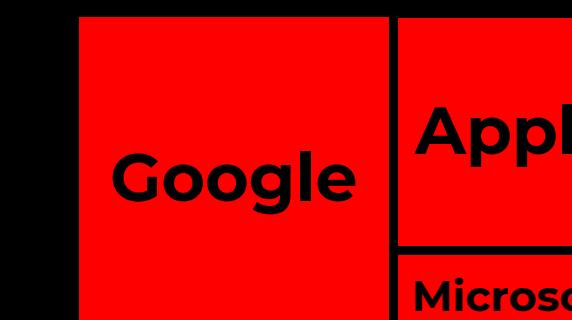
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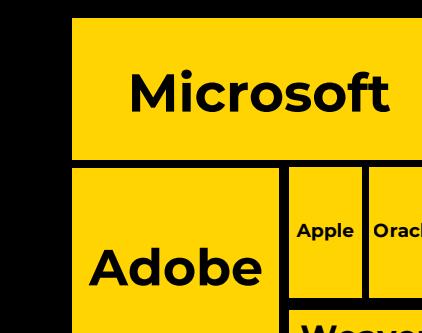
## Developer Tools



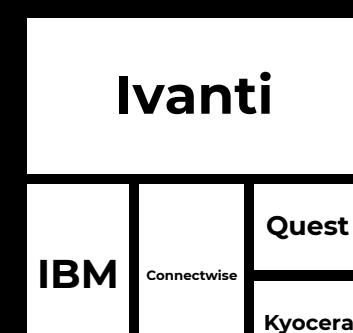
## Browsers



## Desktop Applications



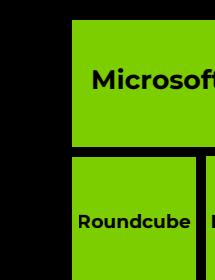
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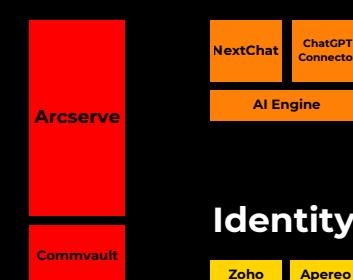
## ICS/OT



## Email



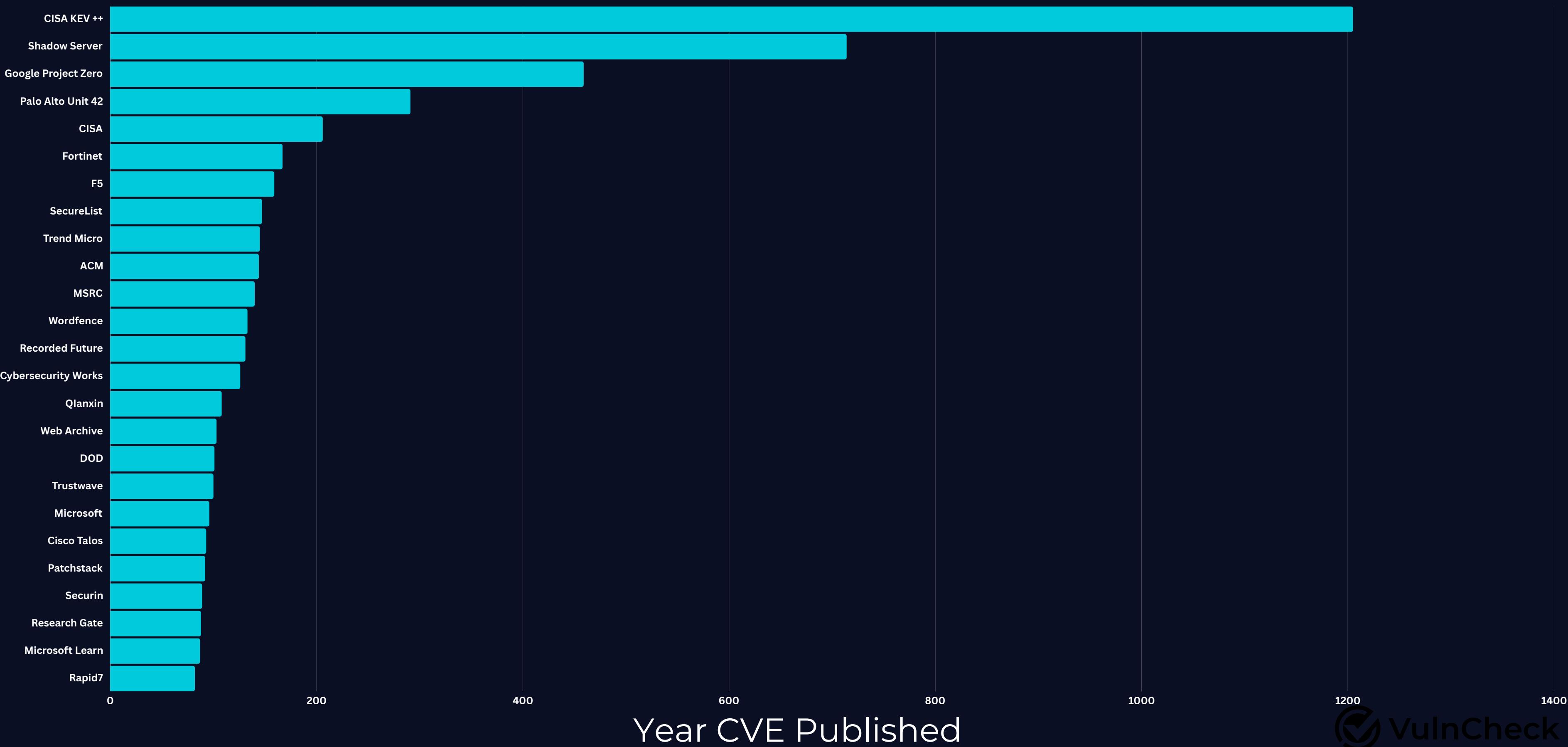
## AI



**Who Reports KEVs?**

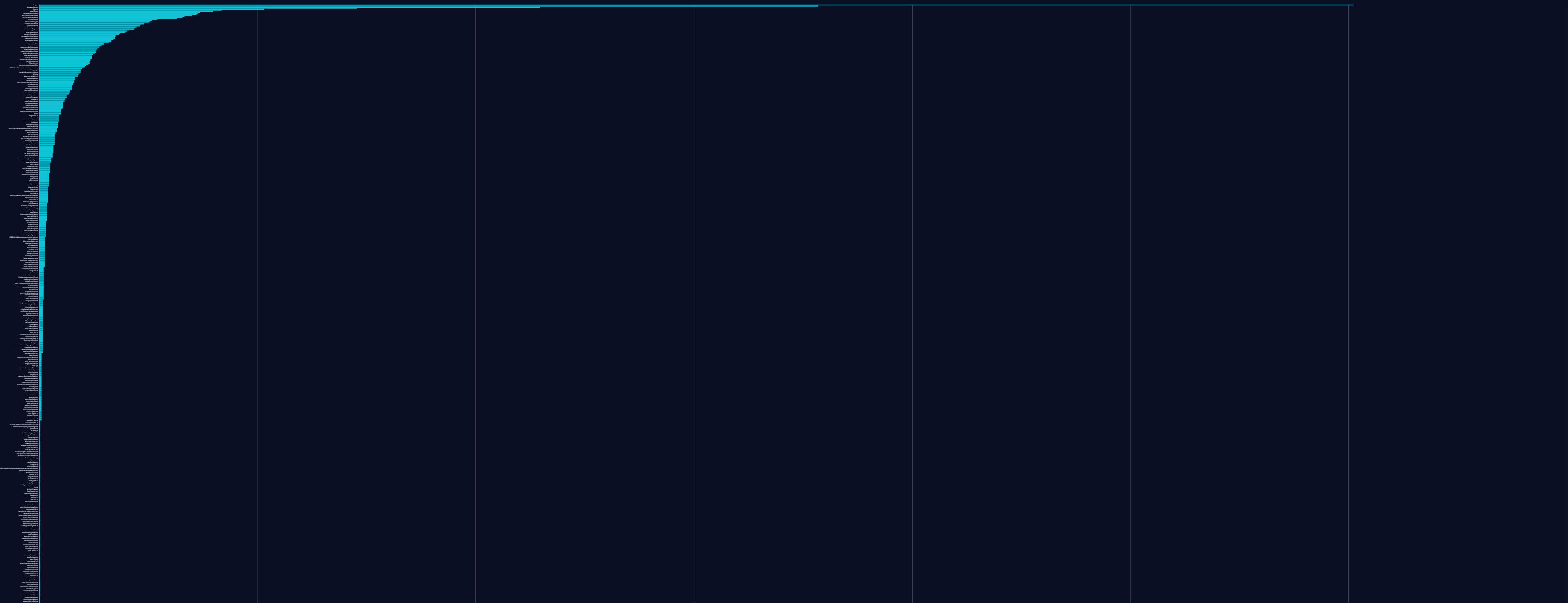
# Top 25 Sources for KEV by Unique CVE

Source: VulnCheck KEV



# All Sources for KEV by Unique CVE

500+ Source: VulnCheck KEV



Year CVE Published

**Who Reports KEVs  
First?**

# Earliest Reporter of Exploitation in the Wild

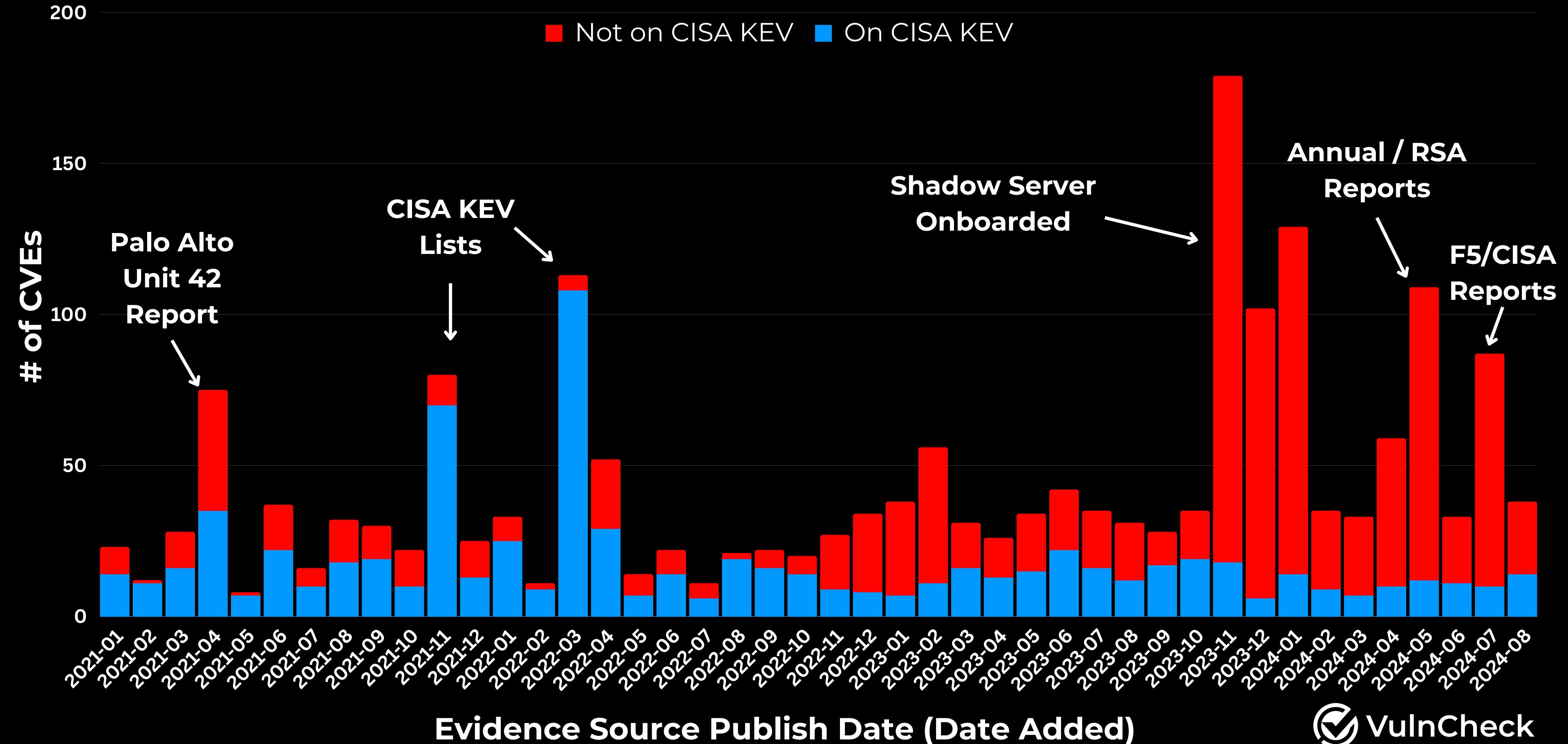
Source: VulnCheck KEV (1965 Vulns over 20+ Years)



Could KEVs be  
Forecasted?

# Known Exploited Vulnerabilities (KEV)

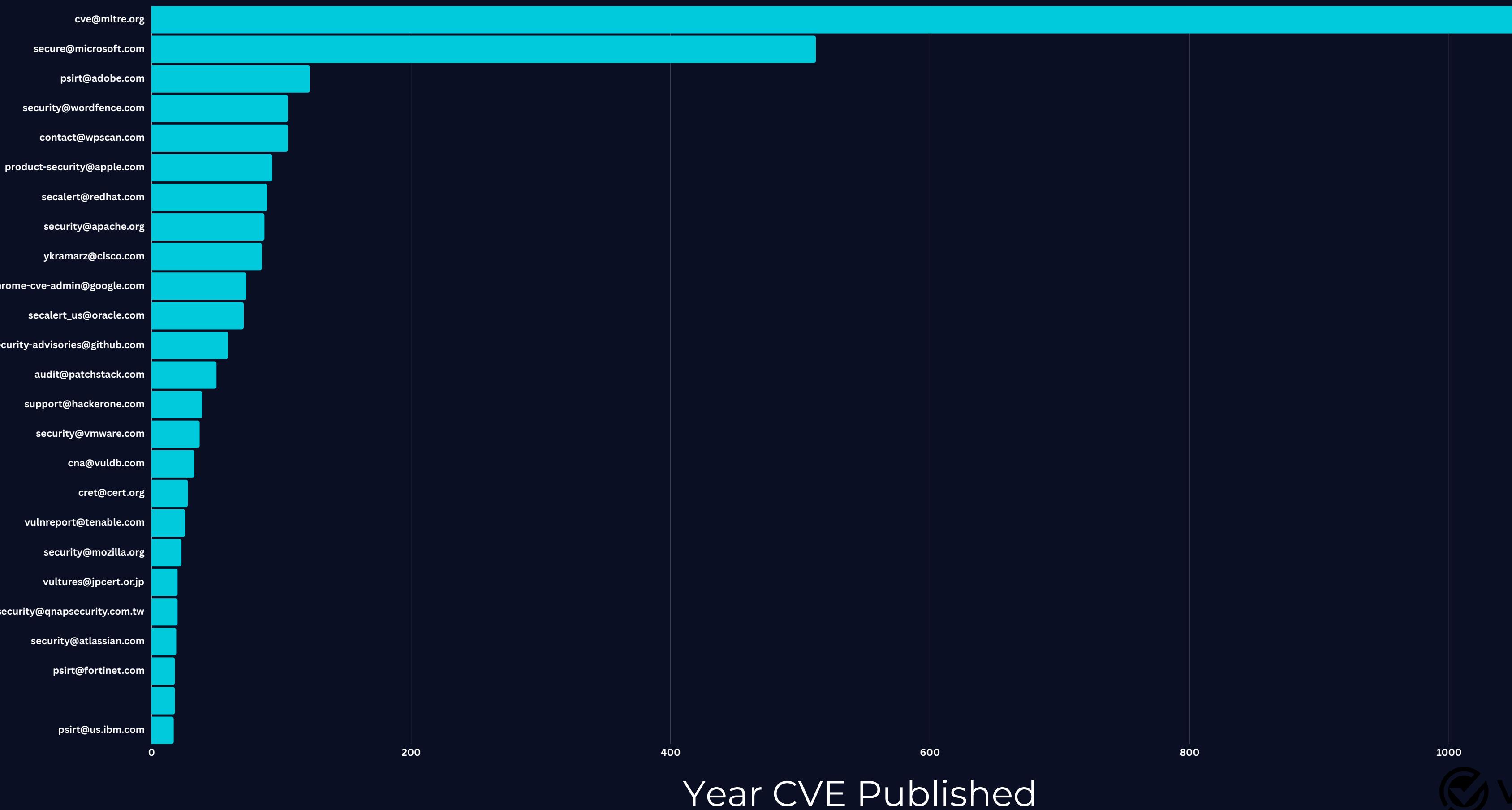
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**What CNA's are  
associated with the  
most KEVs?**

# Top 25 CNA's for KEV by Unique CVE's

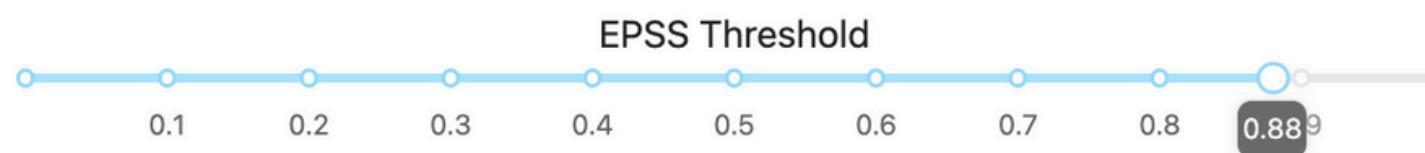
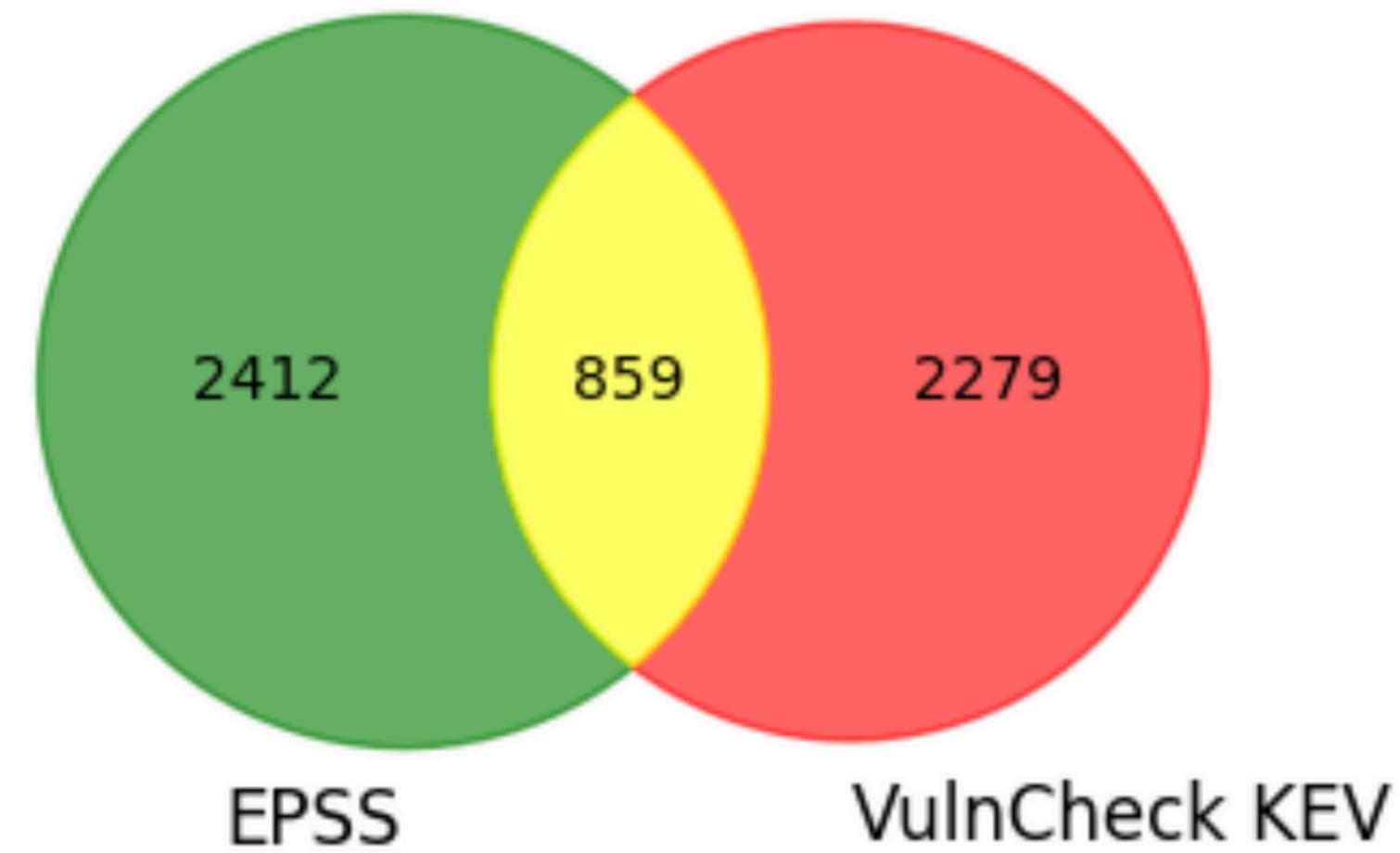
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**How Does KEV  
Compare with EPSS?**

# KEV and EPSS?

EPSS and VulnCheck KEV Interactive Venn Diagram



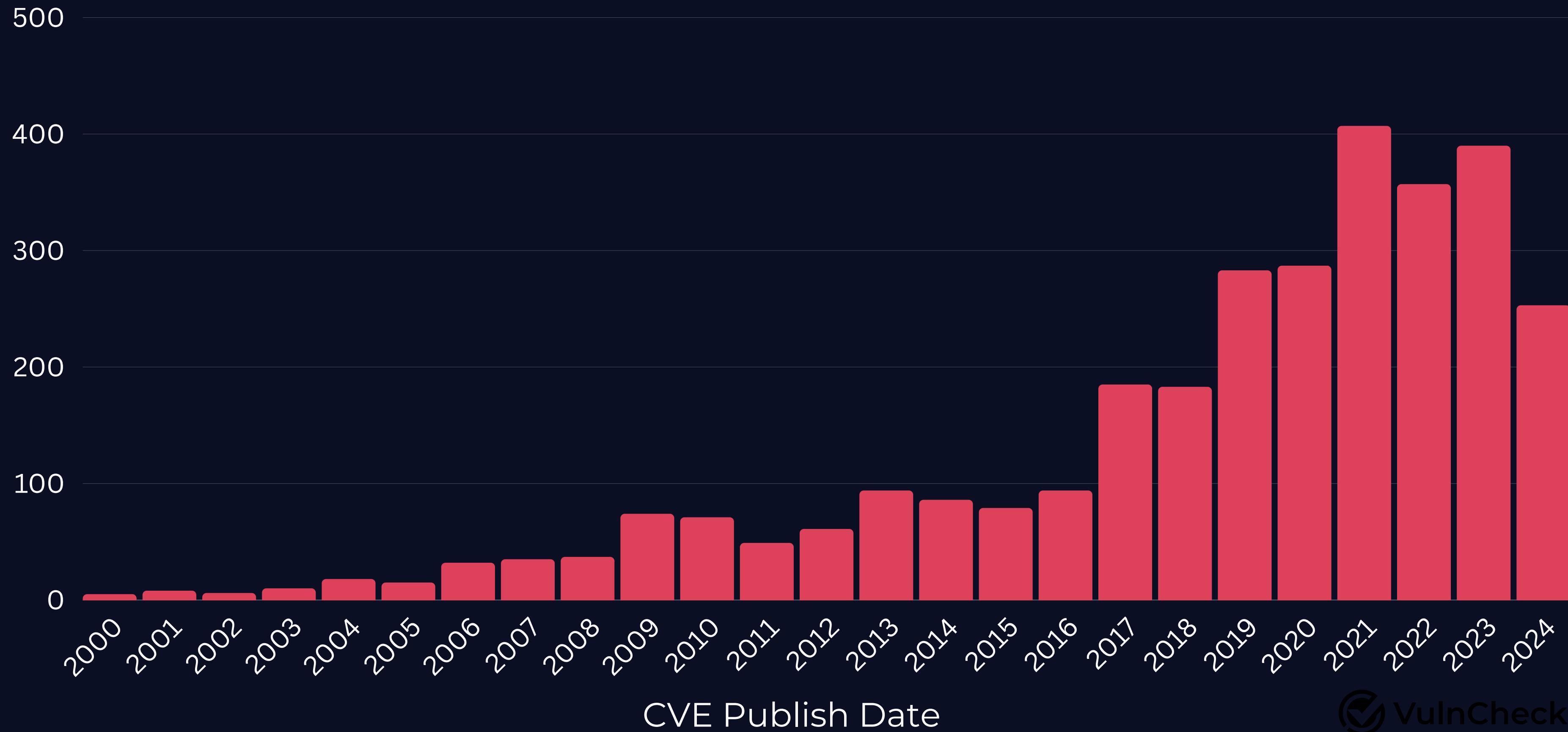
Selected EPSS Threshold: 0.88

Category	Count
Only EPSS	2412
Only VulnCheck KEV	2279
Both	859

**Why are KEV and High EPSS Scores  
so Different?**

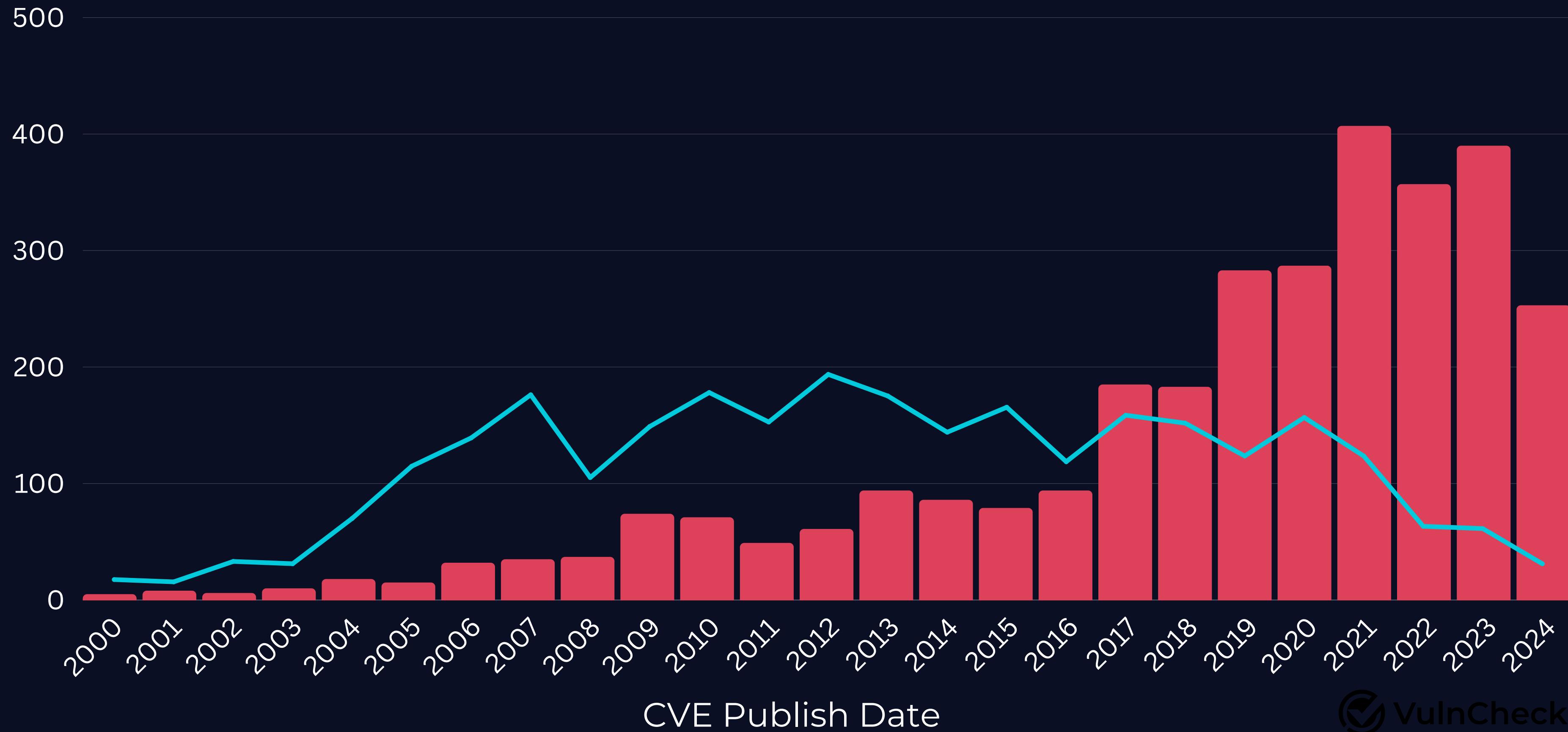
# VulnCheck KEV (CVE Publish Date)

Source: VulnCheck KEV



# VulnCheck KEV w/ EPSS .887

Source: VulnCheck KEV



**Why is the EPSS score so low  
when there is known  
exploitation?**

# VULNCHECK KEV EXPLOITATION TIMELINE

## CVE-2020-15415 | DRAYTEK

### EPSS Scores

**0.02**

2023-02-15



**Exploitation  
Confirmed**

Source: Palo Alto Networks  
Mirai Variant V3G4 Targets  
IoT Devices

Added to VulnCheck KEV

**0.022**

2024-02-01



**Exploitation  
Activity  
First Seen\***

Source: ShadowServer

**0.017**

2024-09-18



**PRC Botnet  
Report**

Source: Five Eyes

**0.017**

2024-09-30



**Exploitation  
Confirmed**

Source: CISA

**.943**

2024-10-01

# VULNCHECK KEV EXPLOITATION TIMELINE

## CVE-2020-15415 | DRAYTEK

### EPSS Scores

**0.02**

2023-02-15



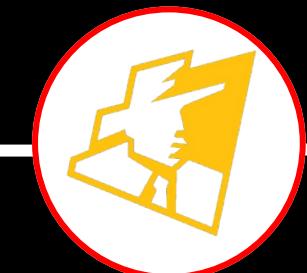
**Added to VulnCheck  
KEV**

Source: Palo Alto Networks  
Mirai Variant V3G4 Targets IoT  
Devices

**Added to VulnCheck KEV**

**0.022**

2024-02-01



**Exploitation  
Activity**

Source: ShadowServer

**0.017**

2024-09-18



**PRC Botnet  
Report**

Source: Five Eyes

**0.017**

2024-09-30



**CISA  
Exploitation Confirmed**

Source: CISA  
**Added to CISA KEV**

**.943**

2024-10-01

**Added to VulnCheck KEV**

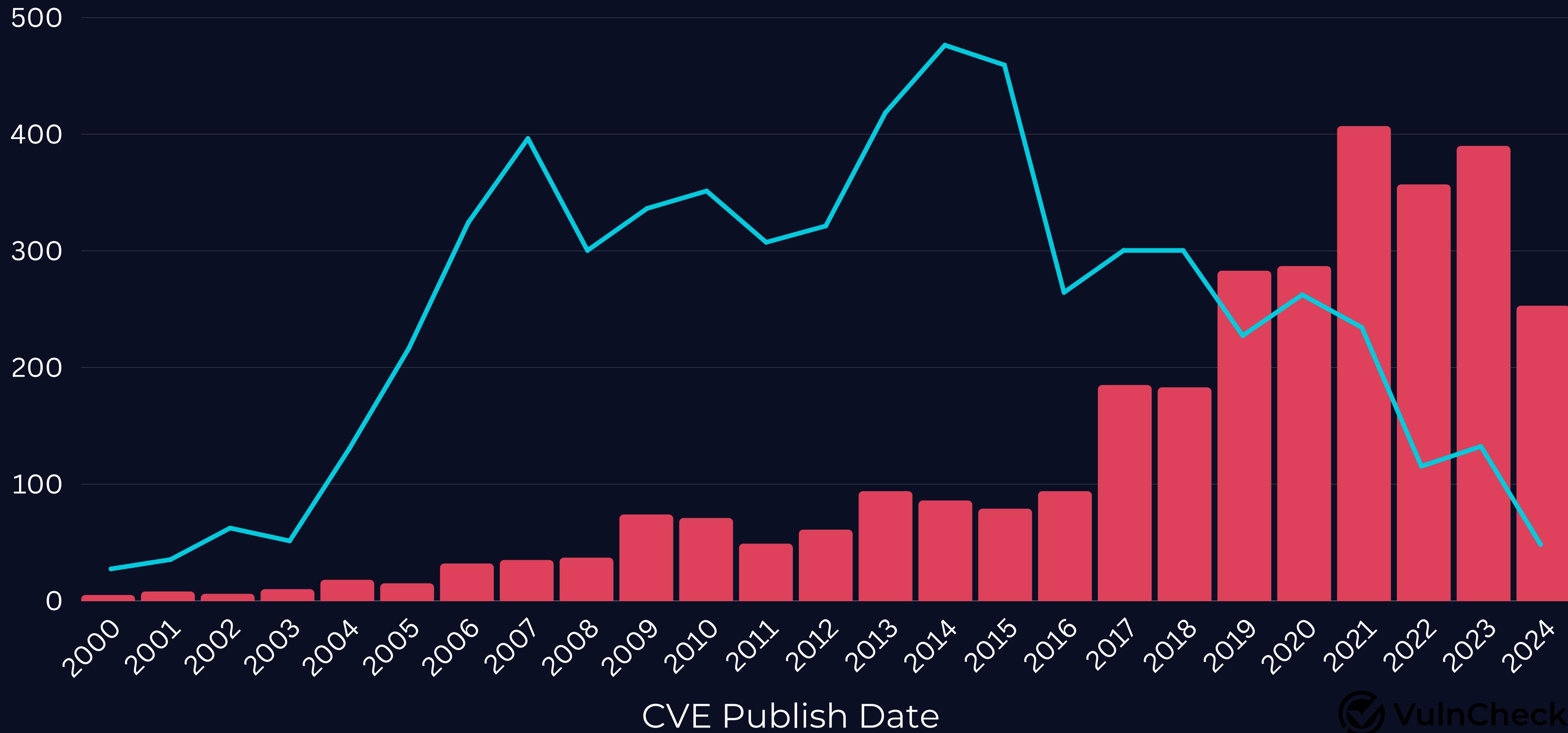
# How Might We improve Prediction?

- Increase Access to Exploitation Sources
- Publish Inputs / Outputs from model for a CVE
- More Diverse Exploitation Data Sources
- Opportunity to Catch Early Indicators (Emerging Threats)
- Provide Evidence That Ties Back to why?

# Appendix

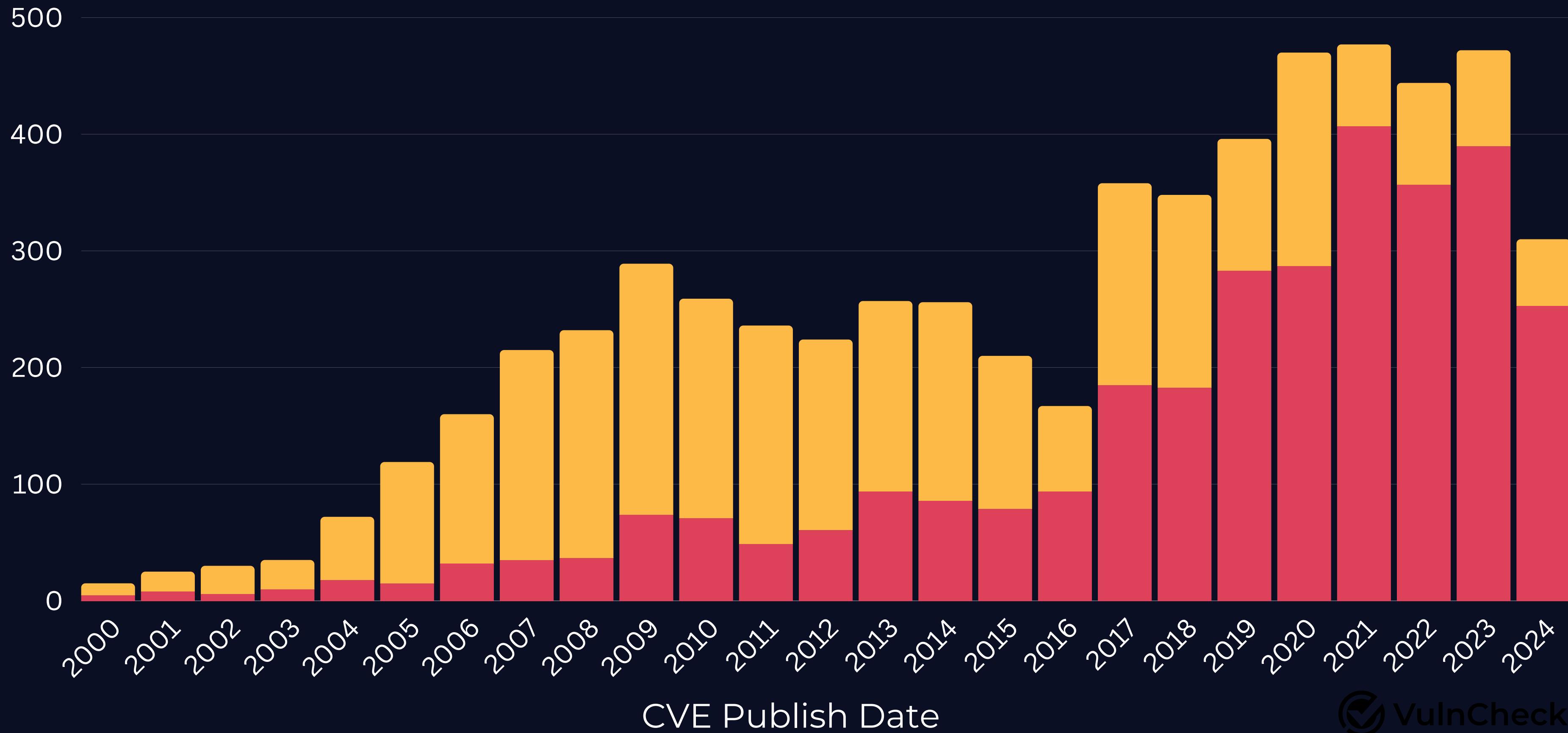
# VulnCheck KEV+Weaponized w/ EPSS 0.54

Source: VulnCheck EVI / EPSS



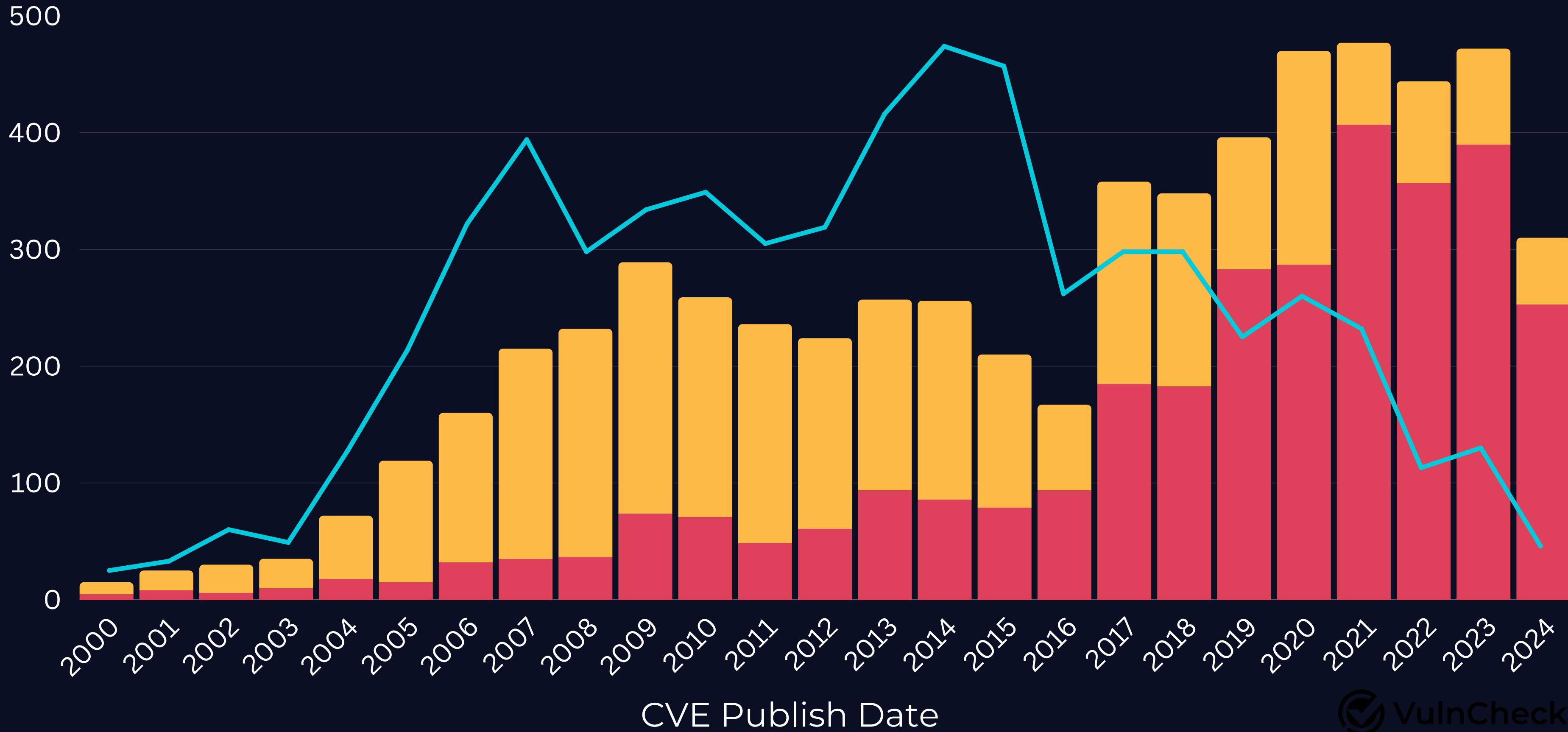
# VulnCheck KEV + Weaponized (CVE Publish Date)

Source: VulnCheck KEV  
● Exploited ● Weaponized



# VulnCheck KEV+Weaponized w/ EPSS 0.54

Source: VulnCheck EVI / EPSS



# Emerging Threat vs. Vulnerability Debt



# Emerging Threat

**25%**

**OF KNOWN EXPLOITED  
VULNERABILITIES**

**<=0 Days**

# Vulnerability Debt

**75%**

**OF KNOWN EXPLOITED  
VULNERABILITIES**

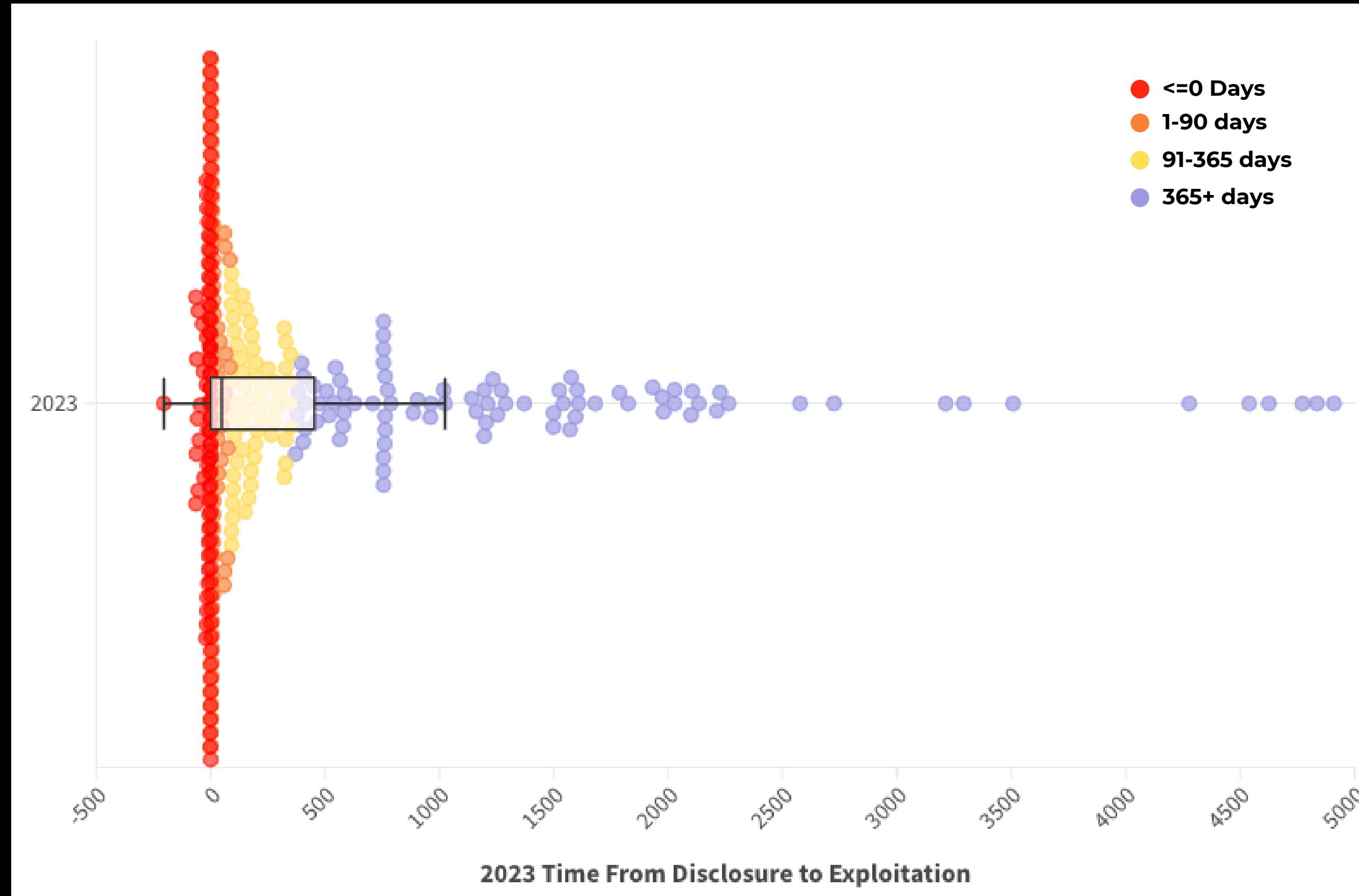
**>=1 Days**

Exploitation

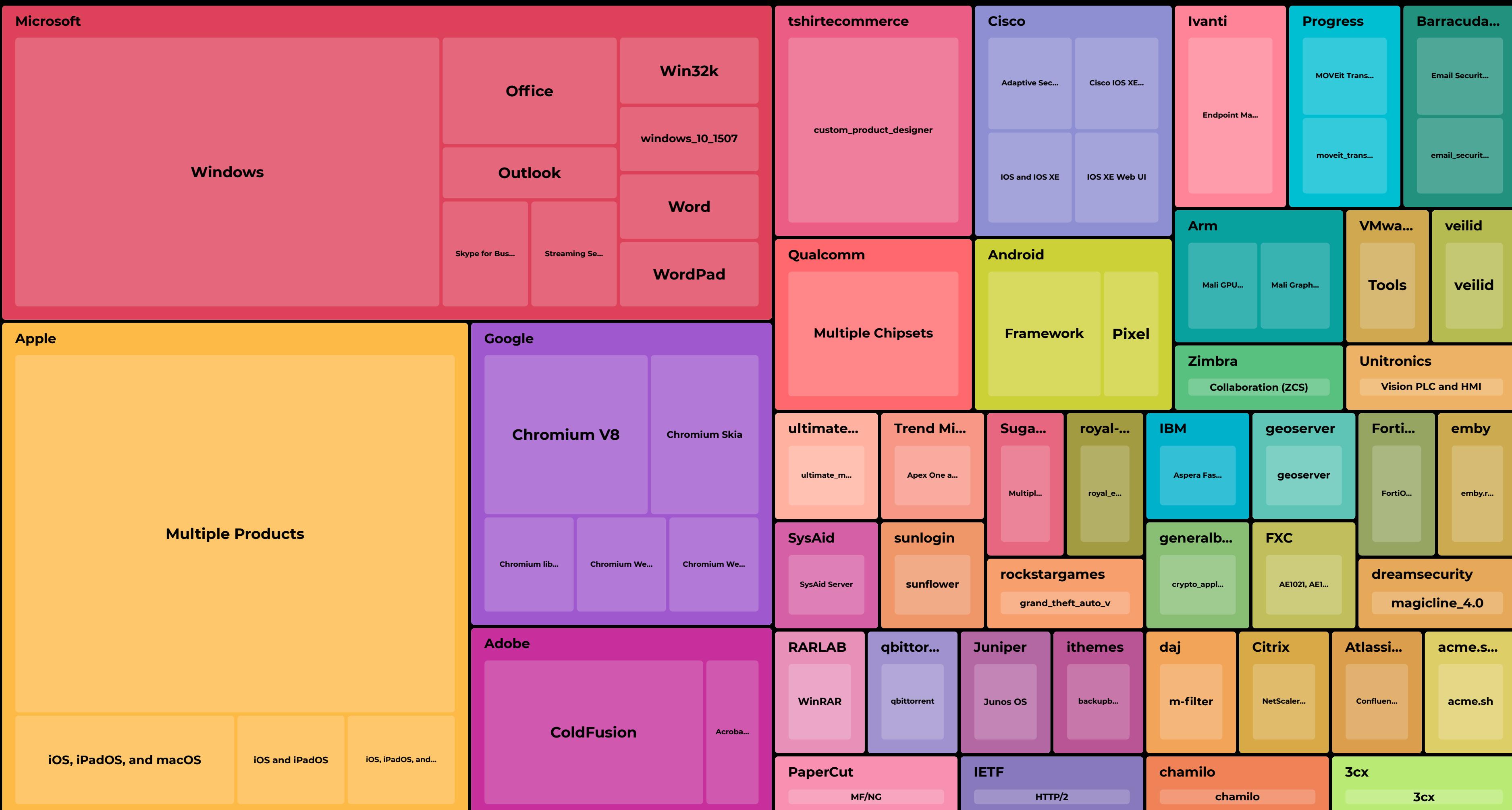
Evidence

<=0 Days

# 2023 Time From CVE Disclosure to Exploitation Disclosure



# 2023 Vulnerabilities w/ Exploitation Evidence at Time of Disclosure (<=30-days)



# Emerging Threat

- 1. **Rapid Response**
- 2. **Internet Facing**
- 3. **End User Interaction**
- 4. **Remotely Exploitable**

# Vulnerability Debt

- 1. **Root Cause Analysis**
- 2. **Improve Patch Management**
- 3. **Implement Best Practices**
- 4. **Prune Unused / EOL**

# VulnCheck Enrichments

**3,139+** CAPEC Mapping

**91,420+** Mitre Att&ck Mapping

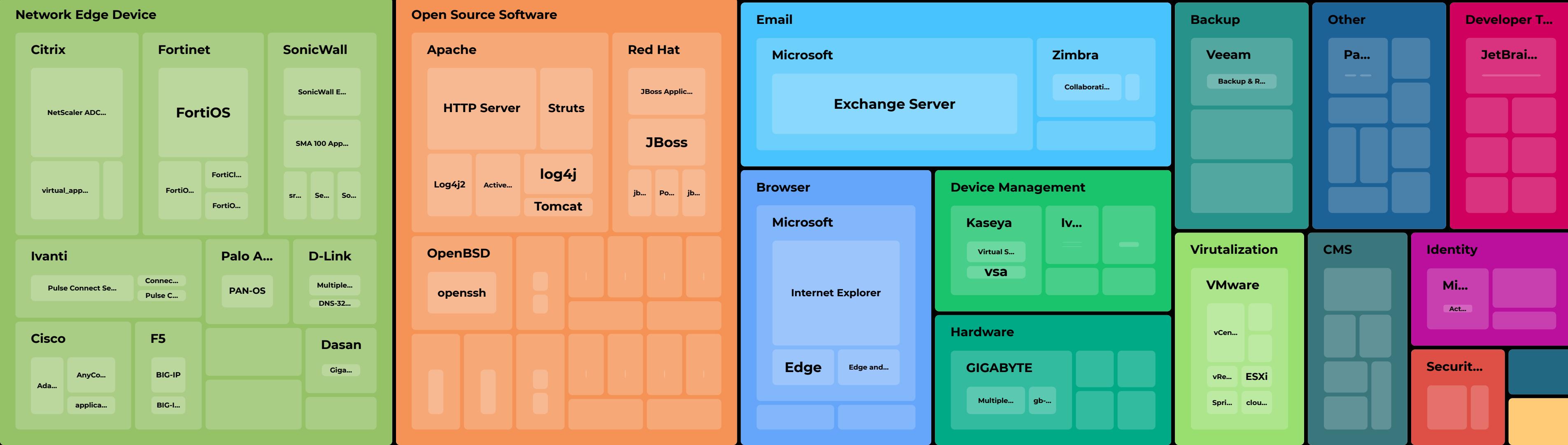
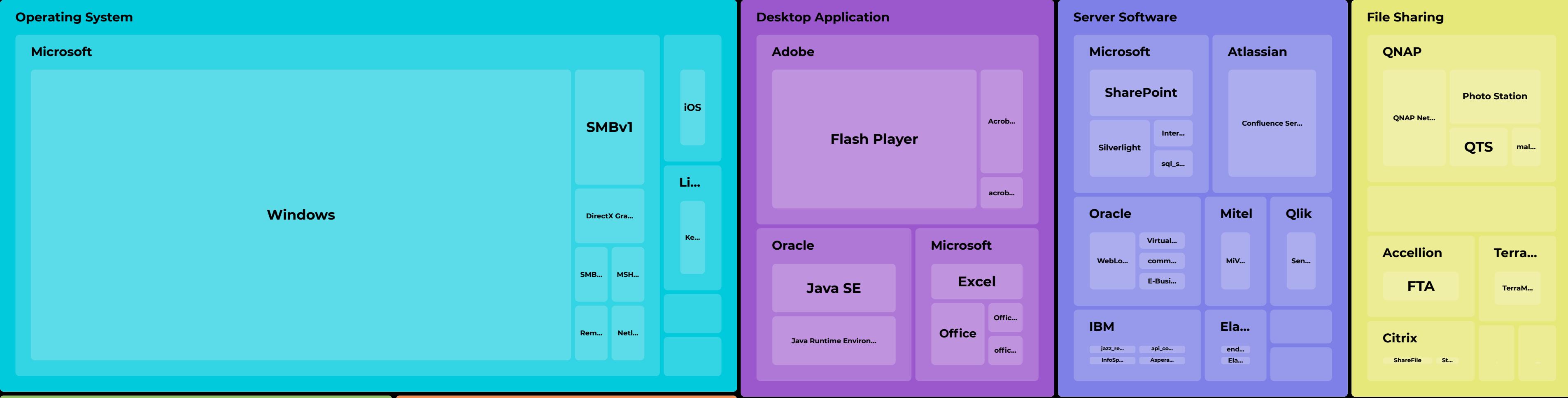
**4,588+** Threat Actors

**500+** Botnets

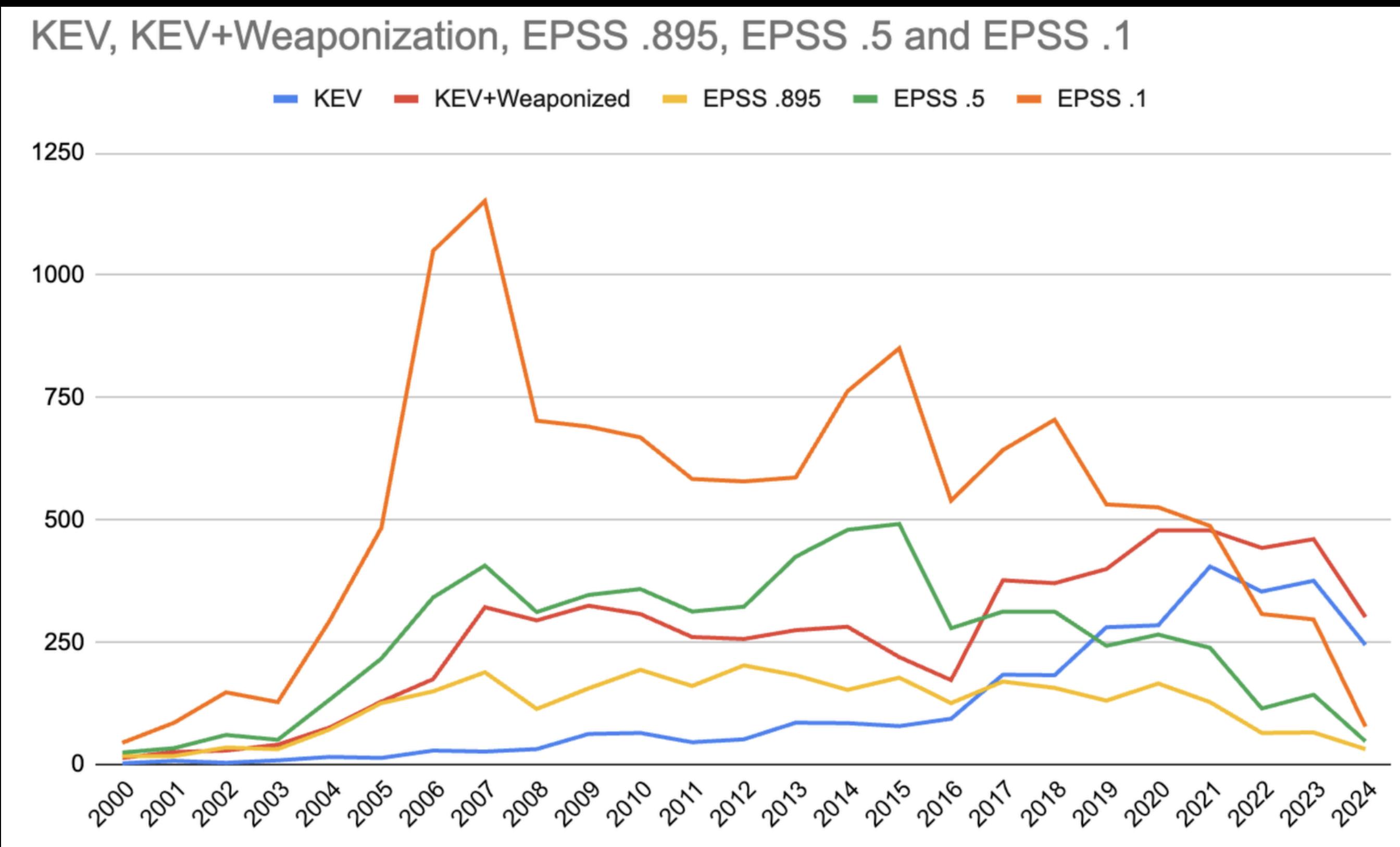
**443** Ransomware

**443** CPE

# 2023 Known Exploited Vulnerabilities Associated w/ Ransomware



# What's inside KEV



# Focus on Newer Vulnerabilities

