Survey

1. How often do you use GitHub?

○ Daily
○ Several times a week
○ Several times a month
○ Several times a year
○ Never

2. Do you follow any GitHub user(s) who maintain personal domains (e.g., user.github.io, user.com, user.dev)?

○ Yes
○ No

3. Age Range

○ 18–24
○ 25–34
○ 35–44
○ 45–54
○ 55–64
○ 65+

4. Gender

○ Men
○ Women
○ Non-binary
○ Prefer not to say

5. Highest Level of Education

○ High school or equivalent
○ Bachelor's degree
○ Master's degree
○ Doctorate
○ Other

6. What is your primary occupation?

○ Technology/IT (e.g., Software Engineer, Developer, IT Support)
○ Education (e.g., Teacher, Professor)
○ Healthcare (e.g., Nurse, Doctor, Therapist)
○ Business/Management (e.g., Manager, Consultant)
○ Service Industry (e.g., Retail, Hospitality, Food Service)
○ Trades (e.g., Construction, Electrician, Mechanic)
○ Creative Arts (e.g., Artist, Designer, Writer)
○ Student
○ Unemployed
○ Retired

7. On a scale of 1 to 5, are you proficient with technical/computer skills?

1	5
Not at all	Absolutely

8. On a scale of 1 to 5, are you familiar with GitHub or code hosting platforms?

1	5
Not at all	Absolutely

9. How would you rate your knowledge in web security, ethical hacking, or domain hosting security?

○ 1 - None: I have no knowledge in these areas.
○ 2 - Basic: I have minimal knowledge or familiarity with the topics.
○ 3 - Intermediate: I have a moderate understanding and some practical experience.
○ 4 - Advanced: I have extensive knowledge and significant experience in one or more of these areas.
○ 5 - Expert: I have deep expertise and professional-level skills in these areas.

10. Click Likelihood: If you encountered this pair domain (e.g., on social media or in an email), which one do you think more trustworthy?

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12. Have you ever encountered phishing or click fraud attempts (e.g., receiving a suspicious email pretending to be from your bank or clicking on a link that led to an unexpected website)

○ Yes
○ No
○ Not Sure

13. What makes you think a domain might be suspicious?(Select all that apply)

☐ Weird spelling or extra symbols: For example, 'g00gle.com' or 'amaz0n-shop.net.'
☐ Recently created or very old domain: For example, a website registered just days ago.
☐ Unfamiliar or rare domain endings: For example, '.xyz' or '.tk' instead of '.com' or '.org.'
☐ No secure connection (HTTPS): The website shows 'http' instead of 'https' in the URL.
☐ Bad reviews or complaints: Other users mention scams or fraud related to the site.
☐ Other

14. When encountering an unfamiliar domain (e.g., a link you have not seen before) for the first time, what steps (if any) do you typically take before clicking?

☐ I hover over the link to check the URL
☐ I ignore and never click personal domains
☐ I only click if someone I trust shares it

☐ I verify it using a website reputation checker

☐ Other

15. Prior to this survey know the occasion of someone to gain control over another person's domain and publish content on it, which refers to 'subdomain takeover'?

○ Yes

○ No

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