



## MalAware 1.0: Free tool recognizes active Malware in 42 seconds!

Is my computer infected with Malware? The free tool MalAware 1.0 from Emsisoft takes less than one minute to answer this question. The shock for the supplier: Over 50 percent of all those using the tool are working with a Malware contaminated PC. Each infected computer has an average of 24 different types of Malware. This is a shocking discovery.



Salzburg, December 2009 - There are still way too many computers with absolutely no security software installed - or only ancient versions that are completely outdated. This makes it easy to smuggle damaging software, so-called Malware into these machines. Malware is a generic term for Viruses, Trojans, Keyloggers, Spyware tools, Rootkits and other destructive programs.

Many users ask themselves: Is active Malware running on my computer? Perhaps my PC is already a Zombie belonging to a Spam Botnet and is helping to send millions of Spam mails without my knowledge? The users obviously want to find this out.

Emsisoft now offers the free MalAware tool for a super-fast initial analysis. The name of the program comes from the words "Malware" and "Awareness". The tool is exactly 1 MB large, does not need installing and takes an average of only 41 seconds to check a PC for Malware infection.

### MalAware 1.0: 50 % of MalAware users are infected

Christian Mairoll, the General Manager of Emsisoft, says: "MalAware was very well received by the users when it was released. However, we are shocked at the results of the first 50,000 scans. Over 50% of those using MalAware actually found Malware on their computers. Not just one or two - an average of 24 different Malware types were found on each machine. The current record is 964 infections on a single PC!"

The most common culprits were irritating Browser Toolbars, usually installed without the knowledge of the user. This was followed by Scareware tools. These are bogus Anti-Virus programs, actually themselves Malware, which generate constant popups suggesting the purchase of a supposed security package - and they are usually extremely difficult to remove from the computer.

Using a combination of a heavily restricted signature database of known Malware paths and a Cloud-based scan of all processes, MalAware achieves comparable active Malware scan results to the comprehensive Emsisoft security package a-squared Anti-Malware - and can detect millions of different software pests. a-squared Anti-Malware must then be used in a second step to reliably remove all the detected Malware. A free test version of a-squared Anti-Malware is available for downloading at the Emsisoft homepage (<http://www.emsisoft.com/en/software/antimalware/>). a-squared Anti-Malware also helps to permanently protect your PC.



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MalAware 1.0 (1 MB) runs on Windows XP, Vista, Windows 7 and 2003/2008 Servers, in all 32-bit and 64-bit editions. About 50 Mb of free RAM is needed during the scan. In contrast to other Malware scanners, MalAware was conceived to operate in parallel with other Anti-Virus scanners and Firewalls without causing problems.

Homepage: <http://www.malaware.com/>

The image displays two screenshots of the MalAware software interface. The left screenshot shows the 'Scanning' phase with a progress bar at 90%. It lists two detected objects: 'NetSpyKeyLogger' (1 malware trace - medium risk) and 'PBar.Toolbar' (1 malware trace - medium risk). The right screenshot shows the 'Diagnosis' phase completed, with a red banner stating 'ATTENTION: 3 INFECTIONS FOUND!'. It lists three detected objects: 'NetSpyKeyLogger' (1 malware trace - medium risk), 'PBar.Toolbar' (1 malware trace - medium risk), and 'TrojanSimulator.TestFile' (1 active file - high risk). A warning message at the bottom of the right screenshot states: 'Your PC is infected with 3 malware objects. Please note, that this tool only did a very fast scan that did not include all areas of your PC. A deep scan will most likely find many more infections. You are urgently advised to run a deep scan with Emsisoft Anti-Malware to clean your PC for free with its multiple award-winning dual scan engine. Consider a paid antivirus to protect the PC against new infections.'

## ABOUT EMSI SOFTWARE

Emsi Software is a private company based in Austria. The rapidly growing company is a leading European supplier of behavioral analysis technology for analysis of software, especially Malware.

The company was founded in 2003 by Christian Mairoll, realizing his vision of a virtual company: The 15 company employees are distributed all over the world but work together as if they are sitting together in a real office. Emsi Software was commended with the Austrian "Constantinus" IT prize in 2005 for this innovative business management concept.

The Emsi Software product range comprises the security programs a-squared Anti-Malware, a-squared Free, a-squared HiJackFree, a-squared Anti-Dialer, Mamutu and, since the start of 2009, the Online Armor Personal Firewall.

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