

Anti Phishing Protection in Various AV Products and Browsers: AV-Comparatives Test Results are In

AV-Comparatives' test in Feb 2023 revealed browser and AV products' protection against phishing attacks.

INNSBRUCK, TYROL, ÖSTERREICH, March 23, 2023 /EINPresswire.com/ -- <u>Phishing</u> remains the number one <u>attack</u> vector for cybercriminals. It is crucial for end users and consumers to use AV products and browsers with robust anti-phishing protection. This is where the <u>AV-Comparatives</u> test results come in handy.

Read the full report here: <u>https://www.av-comparatives.org/wp-</u> <u>content/uploads/2023/03/gen_phishing_02-2023.pdf</u>



In the AV category, Avast Free Antivirus, Kaspersky Standard, McAfee Total Protection, and Trend Micro Internet Security stood out, achieving high block rates of 97%, 96%, 98%, and 97%, respectively.

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We are pleased to provide these test results to help end users and consumers make informed decisions when choosing AV products and browsers with strong anti-phishing protection." *Andreas Clementi, CEO and founder of AV-Comparatives.* Among the browsers tested, Avast Secure Browser, Microsoft Edge, Mozilla Firefox, and Opera showed better phishing protection than Google Chrome, with block rates ranging from 78% to 96%. Google Chrome with SafeBrowsing achieved only a 49% block rate. This highlights the need for users to consider alternative browsers with more robust phishing protection or additional third-party software.

It is important to note that false alarms, or blocking legitimate websites, can also be an issue with anti-phishing

protection. In this regard, a number of the tested AV products and browsers showed some false alarms, with most achieving a false alarm rate of zero.

The AV-Comparatives tested against 250 valid phishing URLs and an equal number of clean URLs for false alarm detection, making the results reliable and relevant to end users and consumers.

End users and consumers can access the full results of the test, along with additional information, on the AV-Comparatives website.

About AV-Comparatives

AV-Comparatives is an independent testing lab that evaluates and rates anti-virus software, internet security suites, and other cybersecurity products based on their performance, protection, and usability. The organisation is ISO certified and recognised as a reliable and independent source of information by end users, consumers, and the cybersecurity industry as a whole.

For more information, visit <u>https://www.av-</u> <u>comparatives.org</u>

Disclaimer: Gen Digital supported the test. The selection of products was done independently by AV-Comparatives, and all vendors were treated equally. Neither Gen Digital nor any other tested vendor was preinformed about the test date or given any further



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