



HIDE^{me}

Transparency Report

2013-2025

Table of Contents

- 1 Building trust through transparency
- 2 Facts and figures
 - a Illegal activities
 - b Digital Millennium Copyright Act (DMCA)
 - c Law enforcement & police requests
- 3 How to contact us

1

Building trust through transparency

2025 was another year where hide.me VPN backed its privacy commitments with real data. Our annual Transparency Report exists to clearly document what requests we receive, how often they occur, and what we can and cannot provide.

This report covers the period from January to December 2025 and summarizes three types of incoming requests: DMCA copyright notices, abuse complaints related to alleged illegal activity, and formal requests from law enforcement agencies.

These requests are linked to VPN exit IP addresses, not to individual users. Because hide.me VPN does not retain activity logs, our ability to attribute or disclose user information is intentionally limited.

Publishing these numbers is part of our ongoing commitment to transparency, accountability, and data minimization. It shows how our policies work in practice and why protecting user privacy also means limiting what data exists in the first place.

2

Facts and figures

In this transparency report there are three different types of data requests that we receive, these are:

- a Illegal activities – This covers the use of our VPN being used for things such as botnets, DDoS, and scams.
- b Digital Millennium Copyright Act (DMCA) – This category is about the transmission of copyrighted materials such as movies, TV shows, and music.
- c Law enforcement & police requests – These are requests for data specifically from law enforcement and police around the world.

We would like to remind our users, hide.me VPN does NOT provide a service for the commission of criminal acts and illegal activities. It is, in fact, a direct violation of our Terms of Service and we are firmly against such practises.

a

Illegal activities

This category represents complaints that are made regarding illegal activities originating from a hide.me VPN IP address. 'Illegal activities' includes things such as DDoS attacks, botnets, scams, and spam.

We would like to point out that we do act and reply to every request. But, as we don't store any logs, we have no data to present when requested.

| | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 |
|--------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|
| January | 1 | 4 | 8 | 5 | 65 | 30 | 14 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 10 | 31 |
| February | 3 | 1 | 9 | 11 | 3 | 37 | 32 | 7 | 11 | 5 | 1 | 14 | 23 |
| March | 1 | 4 | 12 | 6 | 4 | 60 | 11 | 1 | 31 | 3 | 7 | 12 | 78 |
| April | 2 | 1 | 4 | 7 | 2 | 85 | 10 | 0 | 5 | 4 | 7 | 26 | 79 |
| May | 7 | 4 | 3 | 20 | 10 | 57 | 12 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 5 | 162 | 52 |
| June | 2 | 8 | 7 | 10 | 8 | 57 | 10 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 5 | 36 | 20 |
| July | 2 | 5 | 2 | 5 | 17 | 63 | 5 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 5 | 17 | 24 |
| August | 2 | 13 | 3 | 1 | 21 | 33 | 3 | 0 | 13 | 0 | 9 | 24 | 26 |
| September | 1 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 18 | 30 | 2 | 0 | 5 | 1 | 5 | 10 | 37 |
| October | 2 | 8 | 14 | 6 | 16 | 21 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 17 | 48 |
| November | 3 | 9 | 8 | 4 | 40 | 45 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 13 | 2 | 22 |
| December | 4 | 12 | 22 | 34 | 11 | 18 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 7 | 74 |
| TOTAL | 30 | 71 | 76 | 113 | 215 | 536 | 105 | 9 | 91 | 16 | 64 | 337 | 514 |

b

Digital Millennium Copyright Act (DMCA)

The table below shows the number of DMCA complaints we received between 2013 and 2025.

DMCA complaints normally pertain to our VPN being used for things like the torrenting, sharing, or streaming of copyrighted materials (movies, TV Shows, music etc.).

| | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 |
|--------------|------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| January | 1 | 22 | 2237 | 4791 | 5101 | 3723 | 1792 | 730 | 577 | 124 | 4013 | 3917 | 2472 |
| February | 11 | 40 | 2107 | 4797 | 3029 | 3128 | 1943 | 651 | 330 | 101 | 5035 | 3425 | 2902 |
| March | 16 | 57 | 3103 | 5666 | 4186 | 4803 | 3743 | 751 | 885 | 208 | 4575 | 2514 | 3569 |
| April | 8 | 83 | 3442 | 5422 | 3596 | 3203 | 2507 | 895 | 2284 | 838 | 4666 | 2670 | 3720 |
| May | 28 | 166 | 2551 | 6725 | 5324 | 2210 | 4493 | 826 | 525 | 1827 | 3427 | 2446 | 2851 |
| June | 6 | 184 | 2364 | 6237 | 3844 | 2038 | 2058 | 653 | 468 | 1790 | 3577 | 2247 | 2121 |
| July | 7 | 290 | 1314 | 6648 | 4264 | 2152 | 2658 | 493 | 461 | 2340 | 3798 | 2588 | 2477 |
| August | 12 | 979 | 2752 | 6016 | 7784 | 3615 | 2801 | 762 | 654 | 1995 | 3174 | 2599 | 2608 |
| September | 30 | 1481 | 3569 | 5739 | 6026 | 2582 | 1434 | 748 | 516 | 2161 | 2272 | 2466 | 1807 |
| October | 14 | 2482 | 4220 | 5667 | 5634 | 2264 | 1121 | 1230 | 552 | 4446 | 1802 | 2306 | 1740 |
| November | 16 | 1796 | 3895 | 4331 | 3603 | 2598 | 1338 | 1108 | 409 | 6117 | 2595 | 2924 | 1680 |
| December | 14 | 1830 | 2941 | 4005 | 5105 | 2011 | 1431 | 871 | 473 | 5585 | 3553 | 3101 | 1674 |
| TOTAL | 163 | 9410 | 34495 | 66044 | 57496 | 34327 | 27319 | 9718 | 8134 | 27532 | 42487 | 33203 | 29621 |

c

Law enforcement & police requests

This table shows the number of times hide.me VPN received requests for data from law enforcement and police from around the world between 2013 and 2025. We don't store any data, so whilst we do respond to every request made, we have nothing to hand over.

| | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 |
|--------------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| January | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| February | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| March | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| April | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| May | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| June | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| July | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| August | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| September | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 0 |
| October | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1 |
| November | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 1 |
| December | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 |
| TOTAL | 2 | 0 | 1 | 13 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 10 | 14 | 13 | 9 |

3

How to contact us

We here at hide.me VPN pride ourselves on swift and open communications. If you have any questions regarding this report, our service, or just about anything else, feel free to contact us at the avenues below:

Website: <https://hide.me>

Email: support@hide.me



Thank you.

Transparency Report 2013-2025

www.hide.me