



MULTI-STATE Information Sharing & Analysis Center™

Benefits of Membership

The Multi-State Information Sharing and Analysis Center (MS-ISAC) is a voluntary and collaborative effort based on a strong partnership with the Office of Cybersecurity and Communications within the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS). The MS-ISAC has been designated by DHS as the key resource for cyber threat prevention, protection, response and recovery for the nation's state, local, territorial and tribal (SLTT) governments. Through its state-of-the-art 24/7 Security Operations Center, the MS-ISAC serves as a central resource for situational awareness and incident response for SLTT governments.

There is no cost to be a Member

"The Multi-State Information Sharing and Analysis Center (MS-ISAC)...allows the Federal Government to quickly and efficiently provide critical cyber threat, risk, vulnerability, and mitigation data to state and local governments."

U.S. DHS Secretary Janet Napolitano, March 2013



- 24/7 security operations center
- Incident response resources
- Cyber security advisories
- Cyber event notifications
- Daily cyber tips
- Network monitoring
- Secure portals for communication and document sharing
- Alert status map
- Malicious Code Analysis Platform (MCAP)
- Top attacking sites
- Monthly newsletters
- Bi-monthly webcasts
- Monthly webcast meetings
- Monthly threat briefings
- Cyber security exercises
- Awareness/education materials
- Training discounts
- Nationwide Cyber Security Review
- Discounts on CIS Security Benchmarks
- Vulnerability assessment services

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Frequently Asked Questions

Who can join the MS-ISAC?

Membership is open to all state, local, territorial, and tribal government entities involved in cyber security and/or critical infrastructure protection.

Who are the members?

The MS-ISAC currently includes representatives from all 50 states, all 50 state capitals, hundreds of local governments, several tribal governments and U.S. territories.

What does it cost to join the MS-ISAC?

There is no cost to join the MS-ISAC. It is primarily supported by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security to serve as the central cyber security resource for the nation's state, local, territorial and tribal governments. The MS-ISAC is a division of the national not-for-profit Center for Internet Security.

Can the MS-ISAC CERT help me with a cyber incident?

Yes. The MS-ISAC's Computer Emergency Response Team (MS-ISAC CERT) comprises highly trained staff who are able to assist you with a cyber security incident. MS-ISAC CERT can provide malware analysis, reverse engineering, log analysis, and forensics analysis.

Can other members of my organization join?

Yes. Each organization designates a "Primary Member" who is then responsible for authorizing additional individuals in their organization to become members.

Are there any requirements to joining?

The only requirement is the completion of a membership agreement, which sets forth the responsibilities of members to protect information that is shared.

Are there any educational or training resources available?

Yes. In addition to advisories and information bulletins regarding the latest cyber threats and vulnerabilities, the MS-ISAC provides a variety of educational, awareness, and training resources and opportunities.

Does the MS-ISAC work with federal agencies, private sector groups, and the other ISACs?

Yes. The MS-ISAC works closely with federal partners at DHS, along with FBI, Secret Service and others to better share information on emerging threats. The MS-ISAC also has strong relationships with major ISPs, cyber security firms, researchers, and software developers.

How do I join?

Contact the CIS MSISAC at info@msisac.org or visit msisac.cisecurity.org to learn more.