DDoS Attacks: A 10-Year Timeline

2005

90% of respondents cited **flood attacks** as the biggest threat

8 Gbps largest attack size

2005

66% of respondents saw **10+ attacks per month**

40% of attacks target customers

top two concerns were **worms and DDoS attacks**

2006

2007

Estonia DDoS Attacks
The former Soviet republic of Estonia is hit with sustained DDoS attacks following diplomatic tensions with Russia.

2008

Anonymous the First in a Series of High Profile DDoS Attacks and Website Defacement Attacks
Project Chanology was launched in response to the Church of Scientology trying to remove video of an infamous Tom Cruise Interview from the Internet.

2009

Russia-Georgia Cyber War
Attacks on Russian and Georgia websites are coordinated with ground offenses against Georgia territories by Russian forces.

SONY
Sony Data Breach Camouflaged with DDoS
A DDoS attack on Sony was purportedly used to block detection of a data breach that lead to the exfiltration of millions of customer records for PSN users.

2010

WikiLeaks
WikiLeaks-Related DDoS Attacks
Paypal is hit with DDoS attacks coordinated by supporters of the WikiLeaks website after Paypal suspends money transfers to the site.

CIA Director: The Next Pearl Harbor Could Be A Cyber Attack
CIA Director Leon Panetta said that "the next Pearl Harbor that we confront could very well be a cyber attack that cripples" America's electrical grid and its security and financial systems.

2011

U.S. and U.K. Government Sites Knocked Down by Anonymous
Anonymous targets included the U.S. Department of Justice, CIA and two MI6 sites.

2012

NDP
DDoS Attack Impacts Canadian Political Party Elections
Canada's New Democrat Party sees its leadership election impacted by DDoS attack that delayed voting and reduced turnout.

2013

90% of respondents experienced an **application-layer attack**

top concern is **DDoS attacks** against customers and service provider's own infrastructure

2014

64% of respondents saw **10+ attacks per month**

68% of attacks target customers

2014

2015

400 Gbps largest attack size

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