

Secunia Security Factsheet

Adobe Flash Player | 2010/Q3

Welcome to the 2010/Q3 Security Factsheet for Adobe Flash Player

The Security Factsheet outlines the evolution in advisories and vulnerabilities in the last three months on a year-on-year (YoY) basis, and presents specific data on advisories for Adobe Flash Player.

For a quick summary of the 2010/Q3 status, please refer to the three key indicators; Advisories, Vulnerabilities (CVEs), and the year-on-year YoY trend.

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<http://secunia.com/factsheets/AdobeFlash-2010Q3.pdf>

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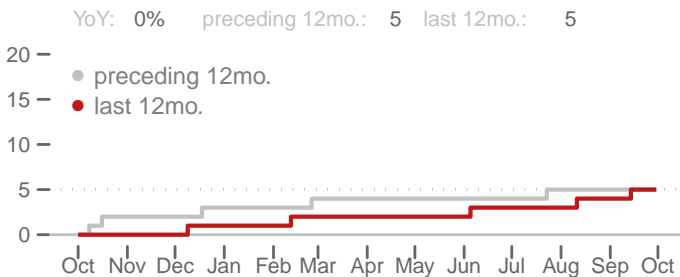
Summary/Overview

Advisories YoY 5 (5) 0% ●
Vulnerabilities YoY 46 (31) +48% ●

Report date 2010-09-30
Reporting period 2010/Q3

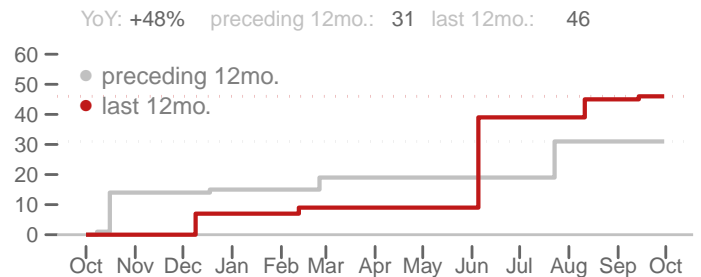
	Advisories	Vulnerabilities
YTD	4	38
Preceding 12 mo.	5	31
Last 12 mo.	5	46
YoY Trend	0%	+48%

Number of Advisories last vs. preceding 12 months



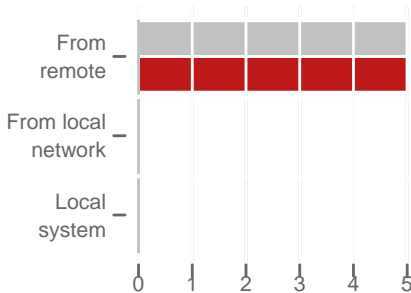
Cumulative number of Secunia Advisories of the two recent 12 months periods (YoY) as of 2010/Q3. Advisories are used as a first order approximation for the number of security events or administrative actions required to keep software secure in a given period of time.

Number of Vulnerabilities last vs. preceding 12 months



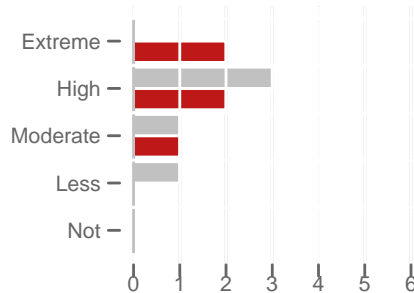
Cumulative number of CVEs of the two recent 12 months periods (YoY) as of 2010/Q3. CVE counts are a viable metric for the number of distinct vulnerabilities found in software.

Attack vector in # of advisories



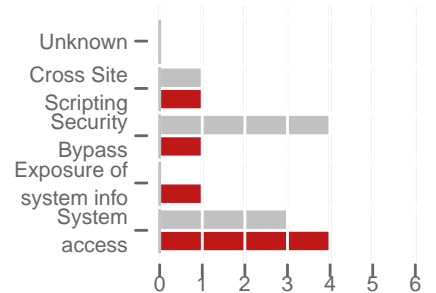
The attack vector describes if an attacker can exploit the vulnerability from the Internet, a local network, or if he needs authenticated un-privileged access to the system.

Criticality in # of advisories



The criticality is based on an assessment of the vulnerabilities impact on a system, the attack vector, mitigating factors, and if actively exploited prior to the release of a patch.

Impact in # of advisories

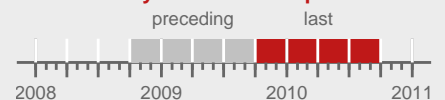


Classification of the impact of successful exploitation on the affected system.

Legend

The data is based on vulnerabilities disclosed between 2005-01-01 and 2010-09-30. The year-on-year (YoY) analysis compares the last 12 months to the preceding 12 months. For a full explanation of the methodology and terminology see: <http://secunia.com/resources/methodology.pdf>

Year-on-year 12 months periods

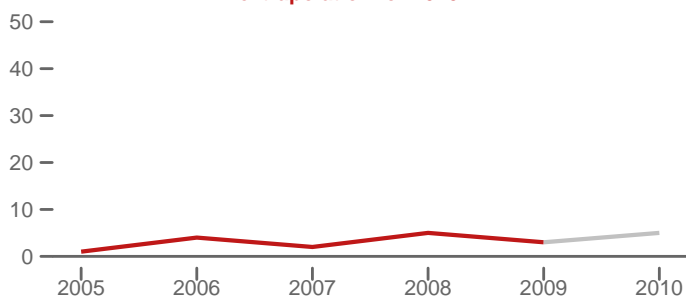


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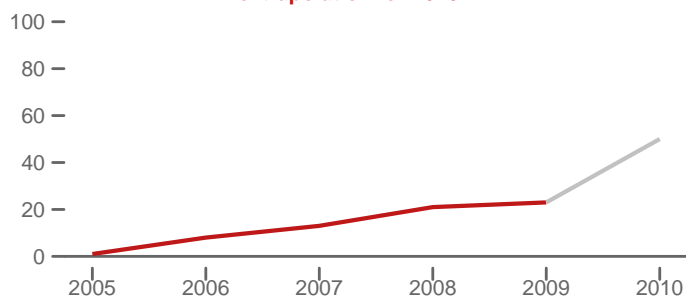


**History of advisories by calendar year
extrapolation for 2010**



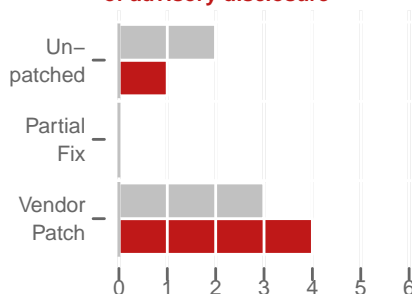
Number of Secunia Advisories published in a given calendar year for the last years, including a linear extrapolation for the current year based on the data up to and including 2010-09-30.

**History of vulnerabilities by calendar year
extrapolation for 2010**



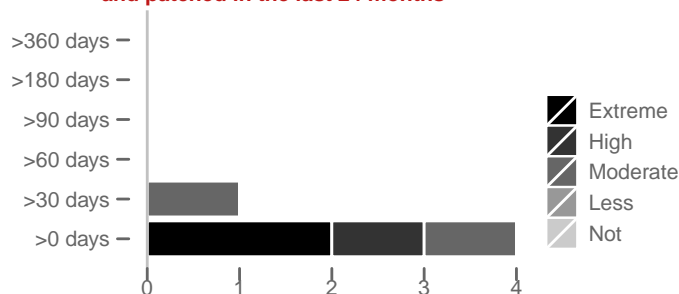
Number of vulnerabilities (CVEs) published in a given calendar year for the last years, including a linear extrapolation for the current year based on the data up to and including 2010-09-30.

**Solution status at the day
of advisory disclosure**



The solution status tracks the vulnerability remediation available at the disclosure date of the advisory.

**Time to patch for advisories disclosed
and patched in the last 24 months**



Delay between vulnerability disclosure and the availability of a patch for all patches released within the last 24 months.

List of the 7 most recent Adobe Flash Player versions covered (out of 7 versions)

1	Adobe Flash Player 10.x	7	Macromedia Flash Player 5.x
2	Adobe Flash Player 9.x		
3	Macromedia Flash Player 4.x		
4	Macromedia Flash Player 8.x		
5	Macromedia Flash Player 7.x		
6	Macromedia Flash Player 6.x		

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The data is based on Secunia's Vulnerability Intelligence database and analysis of Secunia Research. Secunia Advisories typically cover multiple vulnerabilities. Consequently, the number of Advisories issued for a product does not necessarily reflect the number of vulnerabilities that have been disclosed. A security comparison between products is inherently difficult and should not be based on vulnerability data only. Major factors such as type of product, market share, product and platform bundling, vendor/community research activity, and product release lifecycles must also be taken into consideration.

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