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Outages & Breaches: October 2025 in numbers

4 significant outages (2 critical) and 7 data breaches (5 critical) were logged in October 2025. The largest breach by records was Prosper (17.6M). The longest outage with a known duration was AWS us-east-1 (14.5 hours). The most common outage cause was configuration change (1 of 4).

OUTAGES	CRITICAL OUTAGES	DOWNTIME TRACKED	BREACHES	CRITICAL BREACHES
4	**2**	**25 h**	**7**	**5**
▼ 2 vs September	wide impact	across 3 outages with a known duration	same as September	sensitive data at scale

RECORDS EXPOSED
20.8M
confirmed or company-reported

OUTAGE CAUSES



NAMED ATTACKERS



MOST SIGNIFICANT INCIDENTS

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20 Oct 2025	**AWS DynamoDB DNS failure takes down much of the internet** AWS us-east-1 · outage · DNS · 14.5 hours	CRITICAL
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15 Oct 2025	**Nation-state hackers steal F5 BIG-IP source code** F5 · breach · Nation-state (China-linked, reported)	CRITICAL
14 Oct 2025	**SimonMed says 1.2 million patients hit in January breach** SimonMed Imaging · breach · Medusa · 1.2M records	CRITICAL
7 Oct 2025	**Discord support vendor breach exposes ID photos** Discord · breach · Unknown · 70K records	CRITICAL
1 Oct 2025	**WestJet breach exposes 1.2 million passengers** WestJet · breach · Scattered Spider · 1.2M records	CRITICAL
9 Oct 2025	**Azure Front Door edge sites crash across EMEA** Azure Front Door (EMEA) · outage · Software bug	MAJOR

ALL 4 OUTAGES

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2 Oct 2025	**Commonwealth Bank app, website and ATMs fail together** Commonwealth Bank · outage · Software / dependency · 2 hours	MAJOR

ALL 7 DATA BREACHES

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1 Oct 2025	**Red Hat consulting GitLab breached** Red Hat Consulting · breach · Crimson Collective	MAJOR

1 Oct 2025

Dealership software breach hits 766,000

Motility Software · breach · Pear · 767K records

MAJOR

2025 YEAR TO DATE

INCIDENTS YTD	OUTAGES YTD	BREACHES YTD	CRITICAL YTD	RECORDS EXPOSED YTD
118	**47**	**71**	**36**	**129M**
January to October 2025	significant outages	data breaches	outages and breaches	confirmed or company-reported

MONTH	OUTAGES	BREACHES	CRITICAL	RUNNING TOTAL
Jan	5	9	0	**14**
Feb	6	6	2	**26**
Mar	5	5	1	**36**
Apr	9	9	3	**54**
May	2	7	3	**63**
Jun	4	7	4	**74**
Jul	4	7	3	**85**
Aug	2	7	6	**94**
Sep	6	7	7	**107**
Oct	**4**	**7**	**7**	**118**
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