

Top 3 Signs You Have Been DDoS Attacked

With the fast-paced development of computer-related technologies, it is no wonder that there is also a steady increase in the number of threats that can cause all kinds of nuisance and disruption in your everyday life. Aside from viruses, malware, and spybots outbreak, people should also be warned of the dangers of a DDoS attack.

DDoS attacks leave no one safe – unless you are one of those who smartly chose a [VPS hosting with DDoS protection](#). So how would you know if your business' website has been attacked?

Your speed network performance went from hero to absolute zero

This is the most common symptom any web host that was targeted by DDoS attacks will experience. This is often caused by a malicious individual or group that congest your server with junk and/or spam mails, zombified botnets, infected packet data, etc. These acts are known, in layman's term, as flooding. Since all those useless junk is consuming your bandwidth, it ultimately results in significant slowing down in the performance rate of your machine and its connection.

Increasing your purchased bandwidth will have no effects of this type of DDoS attack as the offender can just simply increase the volume of those that are currently flooding your server until it ultimately crashes.

You have an intermittent (and often frustrating) connection

Another common symptom of a DDoS attack, hackers can use all your available connections and turn it against you. The goal is to exhaust the connection between your server and the rest of the virtual world. They can even use the device connections (such as your own printer) as long as the device is internet and computer-connected.

This kind of attack often results to inaccessibility of servers and websites, either temporarily, indefinitely, or permanently.

Your inbox only contains junk and spam mails now

A telltale sign that you have been DDoS-attacked is the sudden surge in the number of junk and spam mails you receive via email. The constant sending of bulk emails to overwhelm your inbox and your email web host is also known as 'email bomb'. Email bombs can work in a number of ways: it can mail the same email multiple times, automatically signing up your email address for numerous online newsletter subscriptions, or send a large compressed file.

It is always wise to check if you are currently experiencing all these three symptoms as a DDoS attack can have damaging results if not detected.