SUMMARY EVIDENCE OF OUT-OF-CONTROL INTERNET HARMS & CRIMES WHEN BIPARTISAN U.S. INTERNET UNACCOUNTABLITY POLICY BANS INTERNET POLICE, PUBLIC SAFETY, & BORDERS FOR 27 YEARS.

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Cyberbullying/Online Harassment:

70% of young people experience cyberbullying before they hit the age of 18, per November 2021 First Site Guide cyberbullying statistics¹.

64% of Americans under 30 have been personally harassed online, per Pew Research.²

<u>53%</u> of US adults personally experienced cyberbullying online harassment with <u>37%</u> reporting severe online harassment, <u>22%</u>, physical threats, and <u>18%</u> sexual harassment, and <u>17%</u> stalking and sustained harassment, per November 2021 First Site Guide cyberbullying <u>statistics</u>.³

51% of revenge p0rn victims indicated they had considered committing suicide, per the <u>Cyber-bullying Research Center⁴</u>.

<u>41%</u> of Americans have personally experienced online harassment, <u>25%</u> severe online harassment per <u>Pew Research</u>.⁵

Cybercrime:

64% of Americans have experienced some form of data theft, per Pew Research.⁶

<u>47%</u> of U.S. consumers surveyed experienced identity theft; <u>37%</u> experienced application fraud, and <u>38%</u> of consumers experienced <u>account takeover</u> in 2020-2021, per Aite-Novarica Group's <u>U.S. Identity Theft: The Stark Reality</u>.⁷

47% of Bitcoin transactions from 2009-2017 were for illegal activity, per the <u>WSJ⁸</u>.

23% of Americans have suffered from cybercrime per Gallup 2018 survey.⁹

<u>0.05%</u> is the chance of being successfully investigated and prosecuted for a cybercrime when the equivalent chance for violent crime is 46%," per the <u>World Economic Forum</u>.¹⁰

Cyberattacks:

<u>90%</u> of U.S. organizations have been compromised by a cyberattack within a 12-month period, per the CyberEdge Group's <u>2020 Cyberthreat Defense Report</u>.¹¹

<u>78%</u> of U.S. organizations were affected by <u>ransomware</u> per CyberEdge Group's 2022 <u>Cyberthreat Defense Report</u>.¹²

<u>75%</u> of U.S. organizations dealt with a successful phishing attack attempt in 2020, per cybersecurity firm Proofpoint's <u>2021 State of the Phish</u> report.¹³

<u>71%</u> of surveyed U.S. organizations have had a distributed denial of service (DDoS) extortion threat, per <u>Corero</u>.¹⁴

59% of U.S. organizations were hit by a ransomware attack in 2020, per Cybersecurity leader Sophos' 2020 <u>State of Ransomware Report</u>.¹⁵

40% of small and medium businesses (SMBs) have fallen victim to ransomware attacks per Datto¹⁶

<u>37%</u> of global organizations were victims of some form of ransomware attack in 2021, according to IDC's "<u>2021 Ransomware Study</u>" per <u>TechTarget</u>.¹⁷

Cyber-Corruption:

<u>85%</u> of teens and young adults, and <u>71%</u> of adults, who have viewed pornography have done so using online videos, per Barna Group, "*The P0rn Phenomenon*," April 2016, <u>The P0rn Phenomenon</u>.¹⁸

<u>93%</u> of pastors and <u>94%</u> of youth pastors say p0rnography use in the Church community is a bigger problem than it was in the past, per Barna Group, "*The P0rn Phenomenon*," April 2016, <u>The P0rn Phenomenon</u>.¹⁹

<u>75%</u> of parents believe their children have not seen p0rnography online, but <u>53%</u> of the children said that they had seen p0rnography online; and <u>78%</u> of 16-17 year-olds, <u>65%</u> of 14-15-year-olds, and <u>50%</u> of 11-13-year-olds, report having seen p0rnography in some way," per Barna Group, "*The P0rn Phenomenon*," April 2016, <u>The P0rn Phenomenon</u>.²⁰

<u>56%</u> of American divorces involve one party having an "obsessive interest" in p0rnographic websites and <u>47%</u> of families in the U.S. reported that p0rnography is a problem in their home; per Barna Group, "*The P0rn Phenomenon*," April 2016, <u>The P0rn Phenomenon</u>.²¹

<u>30%</u> of sex-trafficking victims recruited in federal sex trafficking cases between 2000 and 2020 were on the Internet and most victims were recruited on Facebook; per The <u>Federal Human</u> <u>Trafficking Report</u>.²²



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