

# Threat Group Cards: A Threat Actor Encyclopedia

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## Tool: netcat

Names	netcat
Category	<a href="#">Tools</a>
Type	<a href="#">Reconnaissance</a> , <a href="#">Backdoor</a> , <a href="#">Exfiltration</a>
Description	<p>(<a href="#">Wikipedia</a>) netcat (often abbreviated to nc) is a computer networking utility for reading from and writing to network connections using TCP or UDP. The command is designed to be a dependable back-end that can be used directly or easily driven by other programs and scripts. At the same time, it is a feature-rich network debugging and investigation tool, since it can produce almost any kind of connection its user could need and has a number of built-in capabilities.</p> <p>Its list of features includes port scanning, transferring files, and port listening, and it can be used as a backdoor.</p>
Information	< <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Netcat">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Netcat</a> >
AlienVault OTX	< <a href="https://otx.alienvault.com/browse/pulses?q=tag:netcat">https://otx.alienvault.com/browse/pulses?q=tag:netcat</a> >

Last change to this tool card: 20 April 2020

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## All groups using tool netcat

Changed	Name	Country	Observed	
<b>APT groups</b>				
	<a href="#">Cadet Blizzard</a>		2020-Jun 2024	
	<a href="#">Calypso</a>		2016-Aug 2021	
	<a href="#">Gallium</a>		2018-Jun 2022	

	<a href="#">Ke3chang</a> , <a href="#">Vixen Panda</a> , <a href="#">APT 15</a> , <a href="#">GREF</a> , <a href="#">Playful Dragon</a>		2010-Oct 2024	
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*4 groups listed (4 APT, 0 other, 0 unknown)*

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Source: <https://apt.eta.or.th/cgi-bin/listgroups.cgi?u=2fa64662-8d0d-4350-b398-b48091cd3bf8>