

# ThreatFox | Data exposed through Real Time Intelligence Feed v. publicly available data

ThreatFox provides context-rich signal from abuse.ch, sharing indicators of compromise (IOCs) associated with malware.

Users can access this data via the Real Time Intelligence Feed, or via publicly available APIs. These access methods provide different metadata outputs, as highlighted in this document.

**The Real Time Intelligence Feed is the only access method to receive all observed threat signals.**

Metadata field	Metadata description	Real Time Feed	Publicly available data
<b>IOC additions</b>			
_idx	Is an integer representing the incremental number of the message.	✓	✗
_ts	Is the Unix timestamp, indicating when the message was received by the real time infrastructure.	✓	✓*
uuid	Is an internal, unique identifier for the message. This is the property that should be used to dedupe the incoming flows where necessary.	✓	✗
type	Defines the type of message. It's always 'ioc_addition'.	✓	✓
id	Is the ThreatFox ID of the IOC. You can also use this ID to craft the link to see the entry on the ThreatFox platform ( <a href="https://threatfox.abuse.ch/ioc/id/">https:// threatfox.abuse.ch/ioc/id/</a> ).	✓	✓
ioc	Is the IOC (value).	✓	✓
ioc_type	Is the type of the IOC (example: ip:port). A list of possible values is available through the API: <a href="https://threatfox.abuse.ch/api/#types">https://threatfox.abuse.ch/api/#types</a>	✓	✓
confidence_level	Is the confidence level of this IOC (set by the reporter). The value is between 0 and 100.	✓	✓
threat_type	Is the type of threat - a list of possible values is available through the API: <a href="https://threatfox.abuse.ch/api/#types">https://threatfox.abuse.ch/api/#types</a>	✓	✓
threat_type_description	Is a short description, human-readable description, of threat_type.	✓	✓*
malware	Is the malware family (using the Malpedia naming scheme).	✓	✓*
malware_printable	Printable name of malware family (Malpedia)	✓	✓
malware_alias	Malware aliases (Malpedia)	✓	✓
sightings	Indicates how many times this IOC has been reported/observed.	✓	✗
anonymous	Boolean that indicates whether the submitter or this IOC wants to remain anonymous or not.	✓	✓
reporter	Is the abuse.ch handle of the submitter of this file (or 'null').	✓	✓
reward	List of rewards (credits) the reporter received from other users for this submission	✓	✓*
tags	Is a List of tags associated with this file. A list of current tags is available through the API: <a href="https://threatfox.abuse.ch/api/#tag-list">https://threatfox.abuse.ch/api/#tag-list</a>	✓	✓
reference	Reference (URL)	✓	✓
comment	Is a human-readable string comment from the reporter on this IOC.	✓	✓
<b>IOC changes</b>			
_idx	Is an integer representing the incremental number of the message.	✓	✗
_ts	Is the Unix timestamp, indicating when the message was received by the real time infrastructure.	✓	✗
uuid	Is an internal, unique identifier for the message. This is the property that should be used to dedupe the incoming flows where necessary.	✓	✗
type	Defines the type of message. It's always 'ioc_change'.	✓	✗
id	Is the ThreatFox ID of the IOC. You can also use this ID to craft the link to see the entry on the ThreatFox platform ( <a href="https://threatfox.abuse.ch/ioc/id/">https:// threatfox.abuse.ch/ioc/id/</a> ).	✓	✗
ioc	Is The IOC (value).	✓	✗
ioc_type	This is the type of the IOC (example: ip:port). A list of possible values is available through the API: <a href="https://threatfox.abuse.ch/api/#types">https://threatfox.abuse.ch/api/#types</a>	✓	✗
threat_type	This is the threat type. A list of possible values is available through the API: <a href="https://threatfox.abuse.ch/api/#types">https://threatfox.abuse.ch/api/#types</a>	✓	✗
threat_type_description	This is a short description, human-readable, of threat_type.	✓	✗
field	Shows the affected field where the change occurred.	✓	✗
value	Is the new value of the affected field.	✓	✗
action	Is an enumerated field that describes the action. May contain add, remove, change.	✓	✗
<b>IOC removal</b>			
_idx	Is an integer representing the incremental number of the message.	✓	✗
_ts	Is the Unix timestamp, indicating when the message was received by the real time infrastructure.	✓	✗
uuid	Is an internal, unique identifier for the message. This is the property that should be used to dedupe the incoming flows where necessary.	✓	✗
type	Defines the type of message. It's always 'file_removal'.	✓	✗
id	Is the ThreatFox ID of the IOC. You can also use this ID to craft the link to see the entry on the ThreatFox platform ( <a href="https://threatfox.abuse.ch/ioc/id/">https:// threatfox.abuse.ch/ioc/id/</a> ).	✓	✗
ioc	Is the IOC (value).	✓	✗
ioc_type	This is the type of the IOC (example: ip:port). A list of possible values is available through the API: <a href="https://threatfox.abuse.ch/api/#types">https://threatfox.abuse.ch/api/#types</a>	✓	✗
threat_type	This is the threat type. A list of possible values is available through the API: <a href="https://threatfox.abuse.ch/api/#types">https://threatfox.abuse.ch/api/#types</a>	✓	✗
threat_type_description	This is a short description, human-readable, of threat_type.	✓	✗
removal_note	Is a string containing any removal note.	✓	✗

\* Comparable data for this field is provided via publicly available data, however the field names are not an exact match. If you require the comparable field name, please speak with your Spamhaus contact.