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Fake Chrome & Firefox Browser Update Lead Users to Malware Infection

The IT security researchers at Malwarebytes have discovered a malware campaign that aims at infecting devices by tricking users into downloading malicious files disguised as Chrome and Firefox browser updates. The malware campaign originally began targeting users in December 2017, by compromising websites using Squarespace, Joomla, and WordPress content management system (CMS) and injecting them with malicious redirection code. Until now, researchers have identified thousands of compromised websites hosting the “FakeUpdates campaign.” Simply put, cybercriminals are compromising websites and displaying notifications to visitors that they are using an outdated version of Chrome or Firefox browser.