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## Cybercrime Rate Rises in Japan

### *The Japanese feel threatened*

Although Russia is regarded as the country with the most hacker attacks, it seems like Japan tends to become a leader of cybercrime as Viruslist, a Kaspersky Lab brand, reported. As you might know, a Russian resident is able to buy any software application with almost 3 euros because the hackers are continuously working to crack and disable the programs' protections. Japan is one of the countries that are feeling threatened of cybercrime because their technology is very evolved and most of their information is stored on numerous servers. "A total of 1,795 adults were polled and 40.1% of them revealed they were worried about Internet-based crime and felt vulnerable to it. This is a 21% rise from the results of a survey that was carried out in 2004. Overall, cyberspace was ranked third in the overall list of crime fears, following streets in general and also entertainment districts. Most respondents believe that the overall crime situation in Japan has worsened over the past years, and according to statistics given by Kyodo News a total of 39.3 % think that sentences handed out to criminals are too lenient," Viruslist reported. The publication also sustained Japan's cybercrime level was continuously rising in the last year, being increased with almost 52% in 2006. "The total number of cybercrimes registered in the country reached 3,161 in 2005, while the first six months of 2006 saw 1,802 cybercrime incidents logged by the National Police Agency," they mentioned. So, is there any solution able to assure the protection of our software solutions or computers? Probably not but, as you might know, the authorities from all around the world started a powerful campaign to identify and punish all the hackers or malicious people that are looking to obtain private information from vulnerable users.