

Prompt: Review the articles linked with each individual motive. Rank the motives from 1 to 7 as the motives that you think make the most sense (being 1) to the least sense (being 7). Explain why you rank each motive the way you rank it.

Individual Motive depends on individuals and crimes. A link to an example of each motive is included:

- Entertainment <https://9to5mac.com/2021/07/19/man-behind-linked-in-scraping/>
- Political <https://economictimes.indiatimes.com/magazines/panache/new-generation-of-angry-youthful-hackers-join-the-hackivism-wave-adding-to-cyber-security-woes/articleshow/81707844.cms>
- Revenge <https://newsfromwales.co.uk/news/revenge-porn-victims-in-wales-often-feel-let-down-by-the-law-as-cybercrime-slips-through-the-net/>
- Boredom <https://www.heraldlive.co.za/news/2021-05-31-cyberbullying-and-online-sexual-grooming-of-children-on-the-increase/>
- Recognition [https://www.theregister.com/2021/06/30/bradley\\_niblock\\_election\\_ddos/](https://www.theregister.com/2021/06/30/bradley_niblock_election_ddos/)
- For money <https://threatresearch.ext.hp.com/sex-drugs-and-toilet-rolls-how-cybercriminals-spend-their-money-infographic/>
- Multiple reasons [https://www.infosecurity-magazine.com/news/what-drives-hackers-to-a-life-of/?\\_cf\\_chl\\_jschl\\_tk\\_\\_=pmd\\_c1d89a4695edbd23f2bceb54d70f35ce5e536e86-1626721164-0-ggNtZGzNAfjcnBszQi6](https://www.infosecurity-magazine.com/news/what-drives-hackers-to-a-life-of/?_cf_chl_jschl_tk__=pmd_c1d89a4695edbd23f2bceb54d70f35ce5e536e86-1626721164-0-ggNtZGzNAfjcnBszQi6)

Seven different individual motives for individual cybercrimes are entertainment, political, revenge, boredom, recognition, money and a combination of these. The one that makes the most sense to me is money due to how the current world works. If someone wants to do something they would need money to do so. The second that makes the most sense would be revenge as spite is a powerful motivator and the want to tear someone else down seems like a big part of human nature. The third and fourth would be boredom or entertainment as I think they are interchangeable. This is because doing something out of boredom is looking for some sort of entertainment and entertainment is to keep the boredom away. Both I find understandable as fiddling with a secure system would be considered entertaining. This would also be something done to see if it was just possible. I would rank political motives as number five, since hacktivists have their own category of hacker. It is also a way someone would support their party of choice. I think this involved the idea of cyber warfare as well as classified information leaks to educate people as to what is going on behind the scenes. If feel like a multiple of these reasons would make sense as a motive for number six. This is because being paid to help political means or revenge makes sense and the reason most people get into hacking would be boredom or looking for entertainment. The one that makes the least sense for me would be recognition, because when it comes to hacking it is mainly a negative connotation. This is also something where people would not want to get caught due to illegal activities. So, a hacker making their hacks known would be unproductive for any other form of motive.