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Prioritizing Personal Reasons for Cybercrime

1. Money: Economic profit is the most direct incentive for the actions of cybercriminals.
2. Recognition: Some criminals try to achieve fame by performing high-visibility crimes.
3. Political: Due to ideological motivations, hacktivists engage in targeting governments or corporations.
4. Revenge: Although less common, personal grudges, such as revenge pornography, could motivate online criminal activity.
5. Multiple motives: More than one motivation can make criminals difficult to categorize.
6. Entertainment: Though there is hacking for the sake of fun, there is not much to back up this claim.
7. Boredom: It seems that cybercrimes committed out of pure boredom are the most awful.