



Microsoft Patch Tuesday

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Executive Summary

The Microsoft Security Response Center (MSRC) reported 120 vulnerabilities across many Windows and Microsoft products, features, and roles. Of the 120 total patched bugs, seventeen (17) were classified as critical severity. For the first time since June 2024, no zero-day vulnerabilities were disclosed in this Patch Tuesday release. The number of vulnerabilities in each category is listed below:

- 58 Elevation of Privilege
- 29 Remote Code Execution (RCE)
- 9 Information Disclosure
- 6 Security Feature Bypass
- 8 Denial of Service (DoS)
- 8 Spoofing
- 2 Tampering

Featured Critical Vulnerabilities

The 17 critical vulnerabilities listed in May's Patch Tuesday security update are listed below.

Windows GDI CVE-2026-33824	Microsoft Office CVE-2026-40363 CVE-2026-42831 CVE-2026-40358	Microsoft Office Word CVE-2026-40364 CVE-2026-40366 CVE-2026-40361 CVE-2026-40367	Windows Netlogon CVE-2026-41089	Microsoft Windows DNS CVE-2026-41096	Windows Native WiFi Miniport Driver CVE-2026-32161
Microsoft Dynamics 365 (on-premises) CVE-2026-42898	Microsoft Office SharePoint CVE-2026-40365	Windows Hyper-V CVE-2026-40402	Windows Win32K - GRFX CVE-2026-40403	Microsoft SSO Plugin for Jira & Confluence CVE-2026-41103	Azure Cloud Shell CVE-2026-35428

Safeguards/Recommendations

Organizations should back up all systems, software, data, and device settings prior to performing updates and security patches. Users can regularly monitor the "Check for Updates" window in their Windows device settings to check if systems are up-to-date with the latest security patches.

For a full list of affected products, features, and roles, visit MSRC's May's 2026 Patch Tuesday [release notes](#).

References

- <https://msrc.microsoft.com/update-guide/releaseNote/2026-May>
- <https://msrc.microsoft.com/update-guide/vulnerability>