

Crime prevention policy	
EU- priority	Cybercrime; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cyberattacks
Country	Spain
Year	2018

1. Overview of the field

Definition of cybercrime

A general definition of cybercrime involve all those crimes that are committed by using communication and Information Technologies, and it can be divided in those crimes committed against information systems and those more 'traditional' crimes that are committed through the use of Internet and new technologies.

Assessment of trends and developments

Cryptoransomware is still one of the biggest threats for citizens, companies and organizations. Cyberattacks to Financial Institutions has increased in the latest years. This last year an increase on crypto jacking malware has been observed. Although two major dark markets has been close, crime-as-a-service, in the area of cyberattacks is still active, and many criminal services are offered online, from DDoS attacks to ransomware kits.

Recent overview of statistics and research

The report rate in 2017 was similar to that of 2016, however 'unrecorded' crime rate is believed to be very high in the field of cyberattacks, making it difficult to picture the reality of this phenomenon. Regarding the arrests and successful investigations in 2017, their numbers is slightly higher than in previous years.

Other national priorities besides child sexual exploitation, payment card fraud and cyber-dependent crimes?

2. Crime strategy and coordination

Objectives of the crime strategy

To detect threats and vulnerabilities in Information Systems

Role of prevention in the crime strategy on state/regional/local level

Implementation of the policy (which level is responsible for the implementation and how is the implementation coordinated?)

Stakeholders (working groups, specialised agencies, partners, etc)

H2020 projects, Financial Institutions

Participation in European/ international networks, working groups, etc.

EMPACT, Interpol cybercrime working groups and conferences,

3. Good practices

Overview of recent good practices, prevention programs, etc.