



Claude Code: Insecure System-Wide Configuration Loading Enables Local Privilege Escalation on Windows

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Summary

CVE	CVE-2026-35603
State	PUBLISHED
Assigner	GitHub_M
Source Priority	CVE Program / NVD first with legacy fallback
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Description	Claude Code is an agentic coding tool. In versions prior to 2.1.75 on Windows, Claude Code loaded the system-wide default

Risk And Classification

Primary CVSS: v4.0 5.4 MEDIUM from security-advisories@github.com

CVSS:4.0/AV:L/AC:L/AT:P/PR:L/UI:P/VC:H/VI:H/VA:H/SC:N/SI:N/SA:N/E:X/CR:X/IR:X/AR:X/MAV:X/MAC:X/MAT:X/MPR:X/MUI:X/MVC:X/MVI:X/MVA:X/MSX/MSI:X/MSA:X/S:X/AU:X/R:X/V:X/RE:X/U:X

Problem Types: CWE-426 | CWE-426 CWE-426: Untrusted Search Path

Version	Source	Type	Score	Severity	Vector
4.0	security-advisories@github.com	Secondary	5.4	MEDIUM	CVSS:4.0/AV:L/AC:L/AT:P/PR:L/UI:P/VC:H/VI:H/VA:H/SC:N/SI:N/SA:N/E:X/CR:X/IR:X/AR:X/MAV:X/MAC:X/MAT:X/MPR:X/MUI:X/MVC:X/MVI:X/MVA:X/MSX/MSI:X/MSA:X/S:X/AU:X/R:X/V:X/RE:X/U:X
4.0	CNA	DECLARED	5.4	MEDIUM	CVSS:4.0/AV:L/AC:L/AT:P/PR:L/UI:P/VC:H/VI:H/VA:H/SC:N/SI:N/SA:N/E:X/CR:X/IR:X/AR:X/MAV:X/MAC:X/MAT:X/MPR:X/MUI:X/MVC:X/MVI:X/MVA:X/MSX/MSI:X/MSA:X/S:X/AU:X/R:X/V:X/RE:X/U:X

CVSS v4.0 Breakdown

Attack Vector

Local

Attack Complexity

Low

Attack Requirements

Present

Privileges Required

Low

User Interaction

Passive

Confidentiality

High

Integrity

High

Availability

High

Sub Conf.

None

Sub Integrity

None

Sub Availability

None

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Vendor Declared Affected Products

Source	Vendor	Product	Version	Platforms
CNA	Anthropics	Claude-code	affected < 2.1.75	Not specified

References

Reference	Source	Link	Tags
github.com/anthropics/claude-code/security/advisories/GHSA-5cwg-9f6j-9jvx	security-advisories@github.com	github.com	
CVE Program record	CVE.ORG	www.cve.org	canonical
NVD vulnerability detail	NVD	nvd.nist.gov	canonical, au

No vendor comments have been submitted for this CVE.

There are currently no legacy QID mappings associated with this CVE.

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