



PhpSpreadsheet vulnerable to XSS in HTML writer via custom number format codes

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Summary

CVE	CVE-2026-40296
State	PUBLISHED
Assigner	GitHub_M
Source Priority	CVE Program / NVD first with legacy fallback
Published	2026-05-06 22:16:25 UTC
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Description	PhpSpreadsheet is a pure PHP library for reading and writing spreadsheet files. The HTML writer skips htmlspecialchars es

Risk And Classification

Primary CVSS: v3.1 5.4 MEDIUM from security-advisories@github.com

CVSS: 3.1/AV:N/AC:L/PR:L/UI:R/S:C/C:L/I:L/A:N

EPSS: 0.000350000 probability, percentile 0.105420000 (date 2026-05-12)

Problem Types: CWE-79 | CWE-79 CWE-79: Improper Neutralization of Input During Web Page Generation ('Cross-site Scripting')

Version	Source	Type	Score	Severity	Vector
3.1	security-advisories@github.com	Secondary	5.4	MEDIUM	CVSS:3.1/AV:N/AC:L/PR:L/UI:R/S:C/C:L/I:L/A:N
3.1	CNA	DECLARED	5.4	MEDIUM	CVSS:3.1/AV:N/AC:L/PR:L/UI:R/S:C/C:L/I:L/A:N

CVSS v3.1 Breakdown

Attack Vector

Network

Attack Complexity

Low

Privileges Required

Low

User Interaction

Required

Scope

Changed

Confidentiality

Low

Integrity

Low

Availability

None

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NVD Known Affected Configurations (CPE 2.3)

Type	Vendor	Product	Version	Update	Edition	Language
Application	Phpoffice	Phpspreadsheet	All	All	All	All

Vendor Declared Affected Products

Source	Vendor	Product	Version	Platforms
CNA	PHPOffice	PhpSpreadsheet	affected >= 4.0.0, <= 5.6.0	Not specified
CNA	PHPOffice	PhpSpreadsheet	affected >= 3.3.0, <= 3.10.4	Not specified
CNA	PHPOffice	PhpSpreadsheet	affected >= 2.2.0, <= 2.4.4	Not specified
CNA	PHPOffice	PhpSpreadsheet	affected >= 2.0.0, <= 2.1.15	Not specified
CNA	PHPOffice	PhpSpreadsheet	affected <= 1.30.3	Not specified

References

Reference	Source	Link
github.com/PHPOffice/PhpSpreadsheet/security/advisories/GHSA-hrmw-qprp-wgmc	134c704f-9b21-4f2e-91b3-4a467353bcc0	github.com
CVE Program record	CVE.ORG	www.cve.c
NVD vulnerability detail	NVD	nvd.nist.gc

No vendor comments have been submitted for this CVE.

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

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