FEMALEPCGAMERS & ONLINESECURITY

Webroot recently conducted a survey of 500 PC gamers about security, identity, and gender. The results showed, unfortunately and unsurprisingly, that female PC gamers face additional risks when they game online.

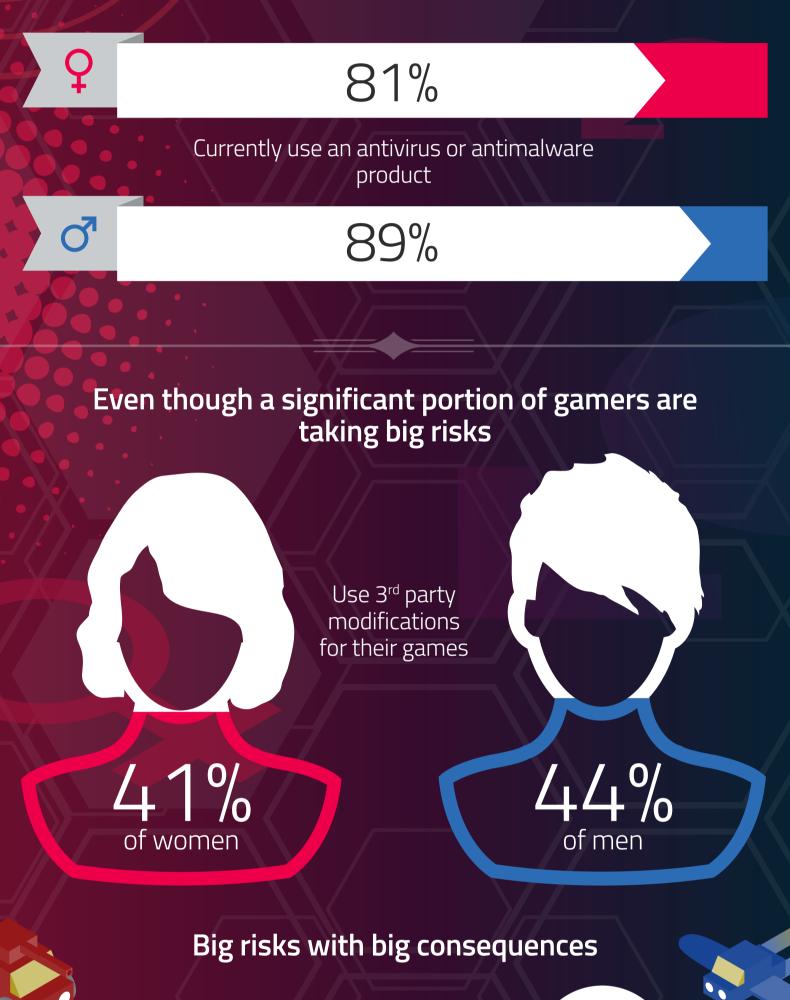
> It turns out women are gaming just as much as men



Play more than 10 hours per week



But not everyone is securing their gaming experiences





52%

Have had their gaming system breached



49%

43%

4%

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So it's no wonder most users are cautious

Trust somewhat or don't trust their online communities

But some gamers have to be more cautious than others



Feel targeted or singled out by their gender during online gameplay

Even going so far as to hide their identities to protect themselves





Feel the need to actively hide their gender during online gameplay

Based on our research, nearly 100% of males feel no additional threat by revealing their gender online, but almost half of female PC gamers feel targeted and singled out by their gender.

While the survey results demonstrated a lot of similarities when it comes to the ways PC gamers approach security, it's clear that female PC gamers perceive additional challenges and threats, and it's time for the industry to step up and do something about it.

