



## Bug 1670252 (CVE-2018-16890) - CVE-2018-16890 curl: NTLM type-2 heap out-of-bounds buffer read

**Keywords:** Security

**Status:** CLOSED ERRATA

**Alias:** CVE-2018-16890

**Product:** Security Response

**Component:** vulnerability

**Version:** unspecified

**Hardware:** All

**OS:** Linux

**Priority:** medium

**Severity:** medium

**Target Milestone:** ---

**Assignee:** Red Hat Product Security

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**Fixed In Version:** curl 7.64.0

**Clone Of:**

**Environment:**

**Last Closed:** 2019-11-06 00:51:57 UTC

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[Description](#)

libcurl versions from 7.36.0 to before 7.64.0 is vulnerable to a heap buffer out-of-bounds read.

The function handling incoming NTLM type-2 messages (`lib/vauth/ntlm.c:ntlm_decode_type2_target`) does not validate incoming data correctly and is subject to an integer overflow vulnerability.

Using that overflow, a malicious or broken NTLM server could trick libcurl to accept a bad length + offset combination that would lead to a buffer read out-of-bounds.

Bug introduced by:

<https://github.com/curl/curl/commit/86724581b6c>

Sam Fowler 2019-01-29 04:10:30 UTC

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Acknowledgments:

Name: Daniel Stenberg (the Curl project)  
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Sam Fowler 2019-02-06 07:45:58 UTC

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External Reference:

<https://curl.haxx.se/docs/CVE-2018-16890.html>

Upstream Patch:

<https://github.com/curl/curl/commit/b780b30d>

Sam Fowler 2019-02-06 07:46:07 UTC

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Created curl tracking bugs for this issue:

Affects: fedora-all [ [bug-1672902](#) ]

Huzaifa S. Sidhpurwala 2019-02-11 06:42:40 UTC

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Mitigation:

Turn off NTLM authentication.

Eric Christensen 2019-02-18 14:19:21 UTC

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Statement:

The versions of curl package shipped with Red Hat Enterprise Linux 5, 6, and 7 do not support NTLMv2 type-2 headers, hence they are not affected by this flaw.

errata-xmlrpc 2019-11-05 22:06:05 UTC

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This issue has been addressed in the following products:

Red Hat Enterprise Linux 8

Via RHSA-2019:3701 <https://access.redhat.com/errata/RHSA-2019:3701>

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