

Chat Abbreviations

14AA41 one for all and all for one	BYKT but you knew that	FOMCL falling off my chair laughing	IMS I am sorry
1-D-R wonder	CB chat brag	FTBOMH from the bottom of my heart	INMP it's not my problem
121 one to one	C&G chuckle & grin	FUBAR fouled up beyond all repairs	IOH I'm outta here
143 I love you	CMF count my fingers	FUD fear, uncertainty, and doubt	IOW in other words
411 information	CNP continued (in my) next post	FWIW for what it's worth	IPN I'm posting naked
4ever forever	CP chat post	FYI for your information	IRL in real life
86 over	CRBT crying real big tears	GA go ahead	ISS I said so
AAF as a friend	CRTLA can't remember the three letter acronym	GAL get a life	IWALU I will always love you
AAK alive and kicking	CSG chuckle, snicker, grin	GD&R grinning, ducking, & running	YKWIMAITYD if you know what I mean and I think you do
AAMOF as a matter of fact	CSL can't stop laughing	GF girlfriend	YKWIM if you know what I mean
AAR at any rate	CU see you	GFN gone for now	IYO in your opinion
AAS alive and smiling	CUL or CULBER see you later	GGOH got to get out of here	IYSS if you say so
AATK always at the keyboard	CUN see you in school	GIWIST gee, I wish I'd said that	IYSWIM if you see what I mean
ABT2 about to	CUOL see you online	GL good luck	J/C just checking
AFAIK as far as I know	CUZ because	GMBO giggling my butt off	JAS just a sec
AFK away from keyboard	CWYL chat with you later	GMTA great minds think alike	JBOD just a bunch of disks
AFN that's all for now	CYA see ya	GOL giggling out loud	JIC just in case
AKA also known as	CY calm yourself	GR&D grinning, running, and ducking	JK just kidding
AISI as I see it	CYL see you later	GRRRR growling	JM2C just my two cents
ARE acronym-rich environment	CYO see you online	GTR got to run	JMO just my opinion
ALOL actually laughing out loud	CYT see you tomorrow	GTRM going to read mail	JT just teasing
AND any day now	DBEYR don't believe everything you read	GTSY glad to see you	JTLYK just to let you know
AOTA all of the above	DEGT don't even go there	H&K hug and kiss	JW just wondering
ASAP as soon as possible	DETI don't even think about it	HA hello again	K okay
A/S/L? age, sex, location	DF dear friend	HAGD have a good day	KEWL cool
A/S/L/M/H? age, sex, location, music, hobbies	DGA don't go anywhere	HAGD have a great day	KFY kiss for you
AYSOS are you stupid or something	DGT don't go there	HAGN have a good night	KIR keep it real
AYTMTB and you are telling me this because	DH dear Hubby	HB hurry back	KIT keep in touch
B4 before	DHYB don't Hold Your Breath	HHIS hanging head in shame	KOC kiss on cheek
B4N bye for now	DIKU do I know you?	HTH hope this helps	KOL kiss on lips
BAG busting a gut	DIY do it yourself	HHO1/2K ha ha only half kidding	KWIM know what I mean?
BAK back at the keyboard	DKDC don't know don't care	HHOS ha ha only being serious	L2M listening to music
BBBG bye bye be good	DL dead link	IAC in any case	L8R later
BBIB be back in a bit	DLTBBB don't let the bed bugs bite	IAE in any event	LD later, dude
BBIAF be back in a few	DTM don't lie to me	IANAC I am not a crook	LDR long distance relationship
BBIAS be back in a sec	DMI don't mention it	IANAL I am not a lawyer (but)	LHM lord help me
BBL be back later	DNC does not compute	IB I'm back	LHU lord help us
BBML be back much later	DQMOT don't quote me on this	IBTD I beg to differ	LLTA lots and lots of thunderous applause
BBN bye bye now	DUST did you see that	IC I see	LMIRL let's meet in real life
BBS be back soon	DYFM dude you fascinate me	ICBW I could be wrong	LMSO laughing my socks off
BBSL be back sooner or later	DYJHIW don't you just hate it when	ID10T idiot	LOL laughing out loud
BCNU I'll be seeing you	E123 easy as 123	IDGI I don't get it	LSV language, sex, violence
BD big deal	EAK eating at Keyboard	IDK I don't know	LSHMBB laughing so hard my belly is bouncing
BEG big evil grin	EG evil grin	IDTS I don't think so	LSHMBH laughing so hard my belly hurts
BF boyfriend	EL evil Laugh	IFAB I found a bug	LTM laugh to myself
BFF best friends forever	EM? excuse me?	IGTP I get the point	LTNS long time, no see
BFN bye for now	EMA what is your E-mail address	IHA I hate acronyms	LTR long term relationship
BG big grin	EMFBI excuse me for butting in	IHAIM I have another instant message	LTS laughing to self
BIOYN blow it out your nose	EOM end of message	IHNO I have no opinion	LULAB love you like a brother
BKA better known as	EOT end of thread	IIRC if I remember correctly	LULAS love you like a sister
BL belly laughing	EZ easy	ILU I love you	L UWAMH love you with all my heart
BR best regards	F2F face to face	IM instant message	LY love you
BRB be right back	FAQ frequently asked question(s)	IMHO in my humble opinion	LYL love you lots
BRH Be Right Here	FAWC for anyone who cares	IMING chatting with someone online	M/F male or female
BRT be right there	FC fingers crossed	IMNSHO in my not so humble opinion	M8 mate or mates
BTA but then again	FISH first in, still here		MA mature audience
BTHOOM beats the heck out of me	FITB fill in the blanks		MHBFY my heart bleeds for you
Btw between you and me	FMTYEWTK far more than you ever wanted to know		MIHAP may I have your attention please
BTW by the way	FOAF friend of a friend		MKOP my kind of place
BWL bursting with laughter	FOCL falling off chair laughing		MOOS member of the opposite sex
BWO black/white/other	FOFL falling on floor laughing		
BWTHDIK but what the heck do I know			

Chat Abbreviations

MOSS member of same sex	QSO conversation	TIA thanks in advance	YHM you have mail
MOTOS member of the opposite sex	QT cutie	TIAL I think I am in love	YKW? you know what?
MSG message	R&R rest and relaxation	TIC tongue in cheek	
MTF more to follow	R/t real time	TILH tell it like it is	
MTFBWY may the force be with you	RBAY right back at ya	TLK2UL8R talk to you later	
MUSM miss you so much	RBTL read between the lines	TM trust me	
N1 nice one	RL real life	TM! too much information	
N2M not to mention	RLF real life friend	TNT 'till next time	
NADT not a darn thing	RMLB read my lips baby	TOM tomorrow	
NAZ name, address, zip	RMMM read my mail man	TOPCA 'til our paths cross again	
NBD no big deal	ROL laughing out loud	TOT tons of time	
N-E-1 ER anyone here?	ROFL rolling on floor laughing	TOY thinking of you	
NE1 anyone	ROTFL rolling on the floor laughing	TPS that's pretty stupid	
N-E-1 anyone	RPG role playing games	TPTB the powers that be	
NG new game	RSN real soon now	TRDMF tears running down my face	
NIMBY not in my back yard	RTBS reason to be single	TTFN ta ta for now	
NM never mind	RTFM read the flipping manual	TTG time to go	
NOYB not of your business	RU are you?	TTT thought that too	
NP nosy parents	RUMORF are you male or female?	TTTT these things take time	
N/P no problem	RUUP4IT are you up for it?	TTYL talk to you later	
NRN no reply necessary	RX regards	TU thank you	
NTK nice to know	S4L spam for life	TWHAB this won't hurt a bit	
NT no thanks	SCNR sorry, could not resist	TWIWI that was interesting wasn't it?	
NUFF enough said	SED said enough darling	TYVM thank you very much	
NW no way!	SEP somebody's else's problem	U-L? you will?	
OBTW oh by the way	SETE smiling ear to ear	UV unpleasant visual	
OIC oh I see	SF surfer friendly	UW you're welcome	
OL old lady	SFETE smiling from ear to ear	VBG very big grin	
OLL online love	SFX sound effects	VBS very big smile	
OM old man	SH same here	VEG very evil grin	
OMDB over my dead body	SHCOON shoot hot coffee out of nose	VSF very sad face	
OMG oh my god	SHID slaps head in disgust	WAD without a doubt	
ONNA oh no, not again	SITD still in the dark	WAI what an idiot	
OT off topic	SLIRK smart little rich kid	WB welcome back or write back	
OTF off the floor	SMAIM send me an instant message	WC welcome	
OTH off the hook	SMEM send me an E-mail	WC who cares?	
OTOH on the other hand	SN screen name	WDALYIC who died and left you in charge?	
OTP On the phone	SO significant other	WDYS what did you say?	
OTTOMH off the top of my head	SOHF sense of humor failure	WDYT what do you think?	
OTW on the way	SOMY sick of me yet?	W/E whatever	
P2P peer to peer	SOT short of time	WEG wicked evil grin	
P911 my parents are coming!	SOTMG short on time, must go	WEU what's eating you?	
PA parent alert	SPST same place same time	WFM works for me	
PAL parents are listening	STR8 straight	WIBNI wouldn't it be nice if	
PANB parents are nearby	STW search the web	WT? what the or who the	
PANS pretty awesome new stuff	STYS speak to you soon	WTG way to go	
PAW parents are watching	SU shut up	WTGP want to go private?	
PDA public display of affection	SUP or WU what's up	WTH what/who the heck	
PDS please don't shoot	SUYF shut up you fool	WUF where are you from?	
Peeps people	SWAK sealed with a kiss	WWJD what would Jesus do?	
PIR parent in room	SWALK sealed with a loving kiss	WWY where were you?	
PLZ please	SWDY so what do you think?	WYCM will you call me?	
PM private message	SWL screaming with laughter	WYRN what's your real name?	
PMJI pardon me for jumping in	SYL see you later	WYSIWYG what you see is what you get	
PMFJIB pardon me for jumping in but....	SYS see you soon	WYSLPG what you see looks pretty good	
PMP peed my pants	TA thanks again	X-1-10 exciting	
POAHF put on a happy face	TAFN that's all for now	XME excuse me	
POS parent over shoulder	TAS taking a shower	XOXO hugs and kisses	
POTS plain old telephone service	TAW teachers are watching	YAA yet another acronym	
POV point of vlew	TCOB taking care of business	YBS you'll be sorry	
PPL people	TCOY take care of yourself	YDKM you don't know me	
PU that stinks	TFX traffic	YG young gentleman	
P-ZA pizza	TGIF thank God it's Friday	YGBK you gotta be kiddin'	
QL quit laughing	THX thanks		
QSL reply			

INITIATIVES

The IC3 participates in multiple initiatives targeting an array of cyber crime schemes that victimize individuals and businesses domestically and abroad. These initiatives are a coordination of industry resources, along with the investigative resources provided by cyber crime task forces comprised of local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies. The success of these initiatives is directly attributable to the inclusion of the industry resources. Initiatives focus on the following:

- Charitable Contributions Fraud
- Counterfeit Check Fraud
- Identity Theft Task Force
- International Fraud
- Investment Fraud
- Online Pharmaceutical Fraud
- Phishing
- Work-at-home scams

STATISTICS

Monthly Statistics:

The IC3 receives an average of 1,000 consumer complaints daily via its Web site. The IC3 also receives thousands of complaints directly from industry partners.

2009 Annual Statistics:

The IC3 received 336,655 consumer complaints

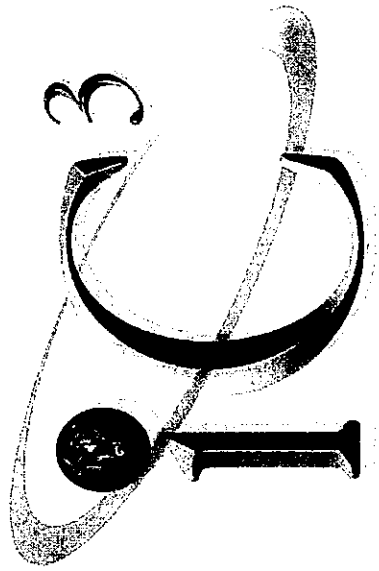
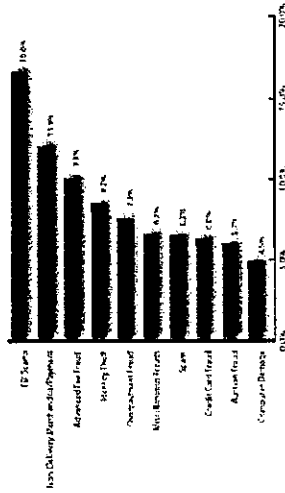
The IC3 averaged 28,000 complaints per month

\$559.7 million in total victim losses were included in IC3 case referrals

Average dollar loss of \$575.00 per complaint

Internet Crimes Reported:

Figure 4: 2009 Top 10 Most Common IC3 Complaint Categories (Percent of Total Complaints Received)



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AN INVESTIGATIVE LOOK INTO THE IC3

Mission of the IC3:

The IC3 is assigned to the Cyber Division's Strategic Outreach & Initiatives Section within the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). The IC3 serves as a clearinghouse and repository of cyber crime complaints from private citizens and industry. The IC3 refers complaints to law enforcement agencies for investigation and prosecution and provides analytical support for cyber crime investigations and prosecution.

The IC3 Alliances:

The IC3 is a partnership between the FBI and the National White Collar Crime Center (NW3C), working jointly with the National Cyber-Forensics and Training Alliance (NCFTA). The NW3C is a congressionally funded, non-profit organization with members present in all 50 states. The NW3C was established to assist law enforcement to better understand and utilize tools to combat economic and high-tech crime. The NCFTA is a collaborative venue for industry, law enforcement, and academia to share and analyze information about cyber threats.

The IC3 has formed additional alliances with industry representatives (online retailers, financial institutions, Internet service providers, parcel delivery providers) that have exponentially increased the flow of the IC3's most valuable commodity - INFORMATION. Working with local, state, federal, international law enforcement, and regulatory agencies, IC3 analysts receive, develop, and subsequently refer information for investigative and prosecutive attention.

Cyber Crime and the IC3:

As technology evolves, so does the criminal element. Nearly all crime that once was committed in person, by mail, or over the telephone can be committed virtually over the Internet. The criminal element is empowered by the perceived anonymity of the Internet and the ease of access to potential victims. Criminals use social engineering to prey on their victims' sympathy, generosity, or vulnerability. The IC3 was designed to help address all types of cyber crime through its complaint system.

IC3 Complaints:

The complaints submitted to the IC3 cover an array of cyber crime including theft of intellectual property rights, computer intrusion, economic espionage, online extortion, and international money laundering. Numerous fraud schemes such as identity theft, phishing, "spam," reshipping, auction fraud, payment fraud, counterfeit goods, and non-delivery of goods are reported to the IC3.

Education and Prevention:

It is imperative that potential victims be made aware of the cyber crime schemes. The IC3 educates the public through the operation of the Web site, LooksTooGoodToBeTrue.com. This Web site was developed through a partnership with industry, the United States Postal Inspection Service, and the IC3.

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LooksTooGoodToBeTrue.com provides information on the latest schemes, the ability for consumers to file complaints, and the opportunity for consumers to share victim experiences online and take an interactive test to measure online safety habits.

Public Service Announcements:

The IC3 prepares public service announcements on the latest cyber trends in order to alert consumers on Internet fraud. These announcements are posted on the following Web sites:

www.IC3.gov
www.LooksTooGoodToBeTrue.com
www.NW3C.org
www.FBI.gov

The FBI's latest news and information can be accessed through social media sites including Facebook, Twitter, and YouTube.

The National White Collar Crime Center:

The NW3C provides support services including training, case funding, investigative support, research, and Internet crime complaint referrals for its members. Its members' Web site, members.nw3c.org, provides the ability to query the IC3 database.

Contact www.nw3c.org if you would like more information on membership.

Points Of Contact

☆ **Credit Reporting Agencies:**

Experian, www.experian.com
1-888-Experian (397-3742)

Equifax, www.equifax.com
1-800-525-6285

TransUnion, www.tuc.com
1-800-680-7289

☆ **File a complaint with IC3 at:**
www.ic3.gov

☆ **FTC Identity Theft Hotline:**
www.consumer.gov/idtheft
1-877-IDTHEFT (438-4338)

☆ **Do Not Call Registry-to reduce the number
of telemarketing calls received at home:**
www.donotcall.gov
1-888-382-1222

☆ **To Opt Out of pre-approved Credit offers,
as a way to limit the amount of unsolicited
mail and email received, call:**
1-888-5-OPTOUT (888-567-8688)



INTERNET CRIME COMPLAINT CENTER

**Guard Against
Online
IDENTITY THEFT**

Protect Yourself

- ☆ **Don't give out personal information via emails or the Internet unless you initiated contact.**
- ☆ **Update your virus protection software regularly.**
- ☆ **Use a firewall for extra protection, especially if you have a high-speed Internet connection.**
- ☆ **Do not download files or open email attachments from someone you don't know.**
- ☆ **Avoid using an automatic log-in feature on the computer.**
- ☆ **Before disposing of an old computer, have the hard drive reformatted to "wipe" or overwrite your hard drive.**

If Your Identity Is Compromised...

- ☆ **Place a fraud alert on your credit file by notifying the national credit bureaus.**
- ☆ **Contact all creditors and financial institutions that an identity thief may have conducted transactions in your name and close all tampered accounts.**
- ☆ **Contact the Social Security Administration and advise them of your situation.**
- ☆ **Contact your local police department, as well as your local FBI field office, and file a report.**
- ☆ **File a complaint with the Federal Trade Commission. Online identity thefts may also be reported to the IC3.**