You, Tor, and the fight for digital human rights

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Applications
UX
Onion
In conclusion...
The Tor network is a low-latency, decentralized, overlay network that provides the security we need.
The Tor Browser provides surveillance resistance, censorship circumvention, privacy, and security.
Tor supports digital human rights.
You can help!
Use Tor Browser, run a relay, or hack with us!

Download Tor Browser: [www.torproject.org/download](http://www.torproject.org/download)
Run a relay: [www.torproject.org/docs/tor-doc-relay.html.en](http://www.torproject.org/docs/tor-doc-relay.html.en)
Volunteer your time: [www.torproject.org/volunteer](http://www.torproject.org/volunteer)
We’re hiring: [https://www.torproject.org/about/jobs](https://www.torproject.org/about/jobs)
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**Population**

313.9 million

**Internet Penetration**

81%

**Violations of User Rights**

12/40

**Freedom on the Net**

17/100

**Obstacles to Access**

4/25

**Limits on Content**

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**Blocked Sites**

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**Accessed Sites**

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**Uploaded Media**

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**Population:** 1.35 billion

**Internet Penetration:** 42%

**Violations of User Rights:** 38/40

**Freedom on the Net:** 86/100

**Obstacles to Access:** 19/25

**Limits on Content:** 29/35
Myth 1: Tor is run by the US government.

Tor started as a research project at MIT in 2002, and in 2006 we’ve evolved into a US 501(c)(3) non-profit organization advancing human rights and freedoms by creating and deploying free and open-source anonymity and privacy technologies, supporting their unrestricted availability and use, and furthering their scientific and popular understanding.
Myth 2: The “dark web” is only bad stuff.

Onion services allow people not just to browse anonymously, but to publish anonymously, including websites. Besides publishing websites, onion services are also relied on for metadata-free chat and file sharing, and provides another secure way to reach popular websites. Facebook is the most popular .onion address, and it can be accessed via Tor Browser: https://facebookcorewwwi.onion/
Myth 3: Only bad people use Tor.

Tor keeps the good people anonymous. If you take away Tor, it takes away the ability for the regular citizens to have privacy, security, and anonymity. The government can choose to create false identities and not surveill their own agents. Criminals can go back to stealing people’s identities for conducting online transactions instead of staying anonymous. Tor fights for the average person.
Tor’s mission

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