

YouTube Gaming's Most-Watched Videos Are Dominated by Scams and Cheats | WIRED

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YouTube Gaming has been clawing its way into streaming platform Twitch's market share for months. But new data retrieved by WIRED suggests that YouTube Gaming also has a serious problem with scammers and cheat-makers—and lots and lots of bots.

In January, all seven of the most-watched YouTube Gaming channels weren't run by happy gamers livestreaming the game *du jour*. They were instead recorded, autoplaying videos advertising videogame cheats and hacks, sometimes attached to sketchy, credential-vacuuming websites, according to one analytics firm. The trend has continued into this month, with five of the top seven most-watched YouTube Gaming channels last weekend advertising cheats.

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