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# PRISM/US-984XN Overview

OR

*The SIGAD Used **Most** in NSA Reporting  
Overview*



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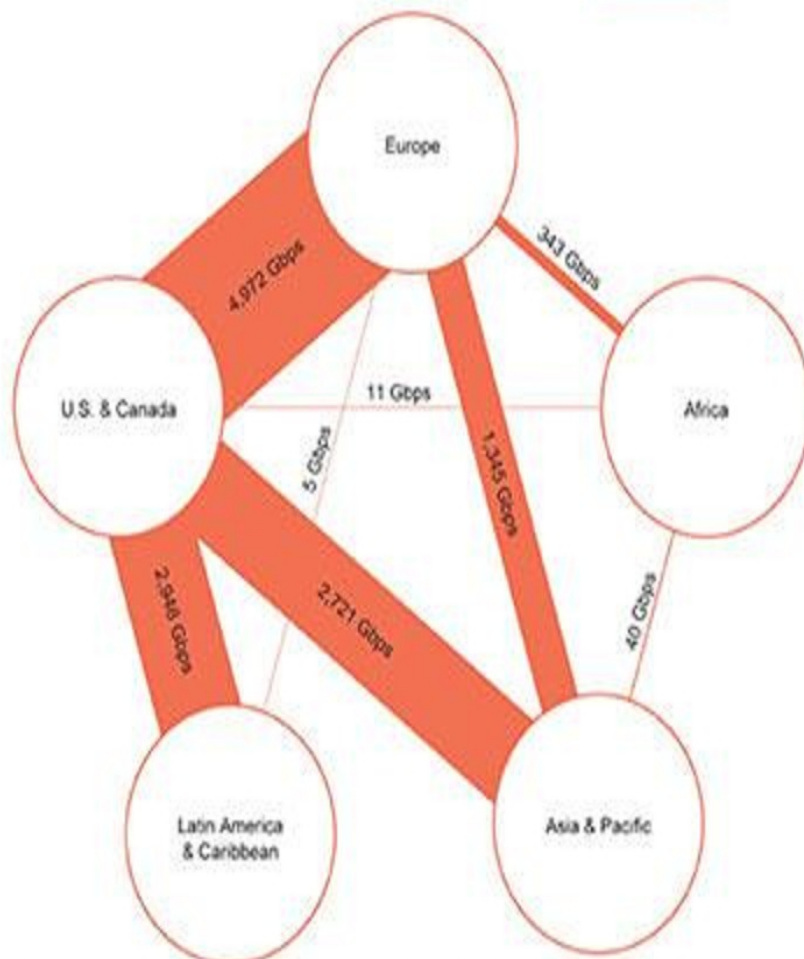


(TS//SI//NF) Introduction

*U.S. as World's Telecommunications Backbone*



- Much of the world's communications flow through the U.S.
- A target's phone call, e-mail or chat will take the **cheapest** path, **not the physically most direct** path – you can't always predict the path.
- Your target's communications could easily be flowing into and through the U.S.



International Internet Regional Bandwidth Capacity in 2011

Source: Telegeography Research





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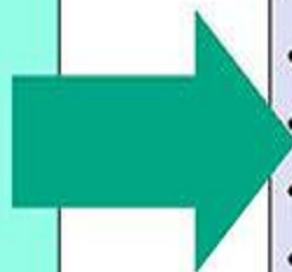
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## (TS//SI//NF) PRISM Collection Details



## Current Providers

- Microsoft (Hotmail, etc.)
- Google
- Yahoo!
- Facebook
- PalTalk
- YouTube
- Skype
- AOL
- Apple

What Will You Receive in Collection  
(Surveillance and Stored Comms)?

It varies by provider. In general:

- E-mail
- Chat – video, voice
- Videos
- Photos
- Stored data
- VoIP
- File transfers
- Video Conferencing
- Notifications of target activity – logins, etc.
- Online Social Networking details
- **Special Requests**

Complete list and details on PRISM web page:

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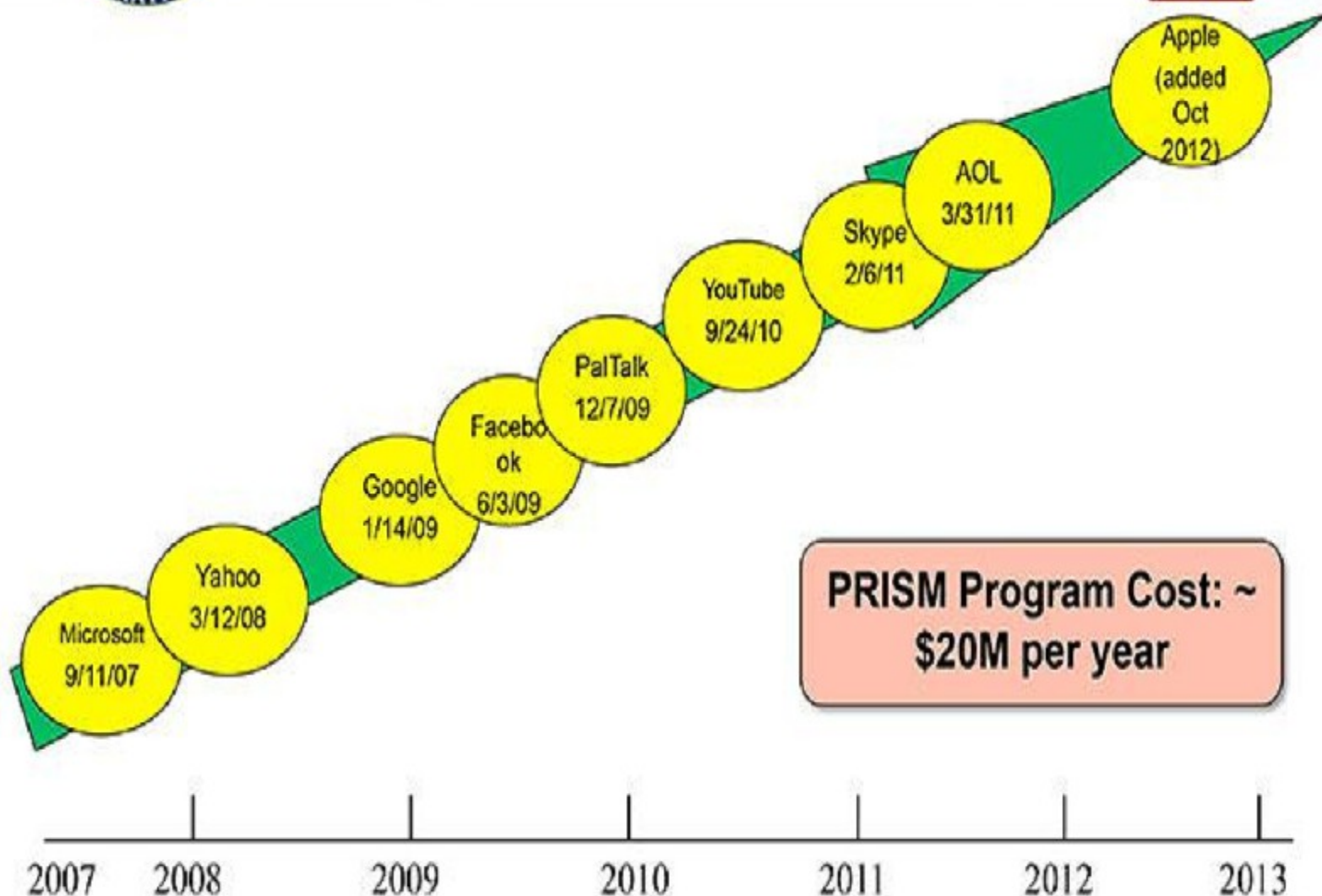
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(TS//SI//NF) Dates When PRISM Collection  
Began For Each Provider



**PRISM Program Cost: ~  
\$20M per year**





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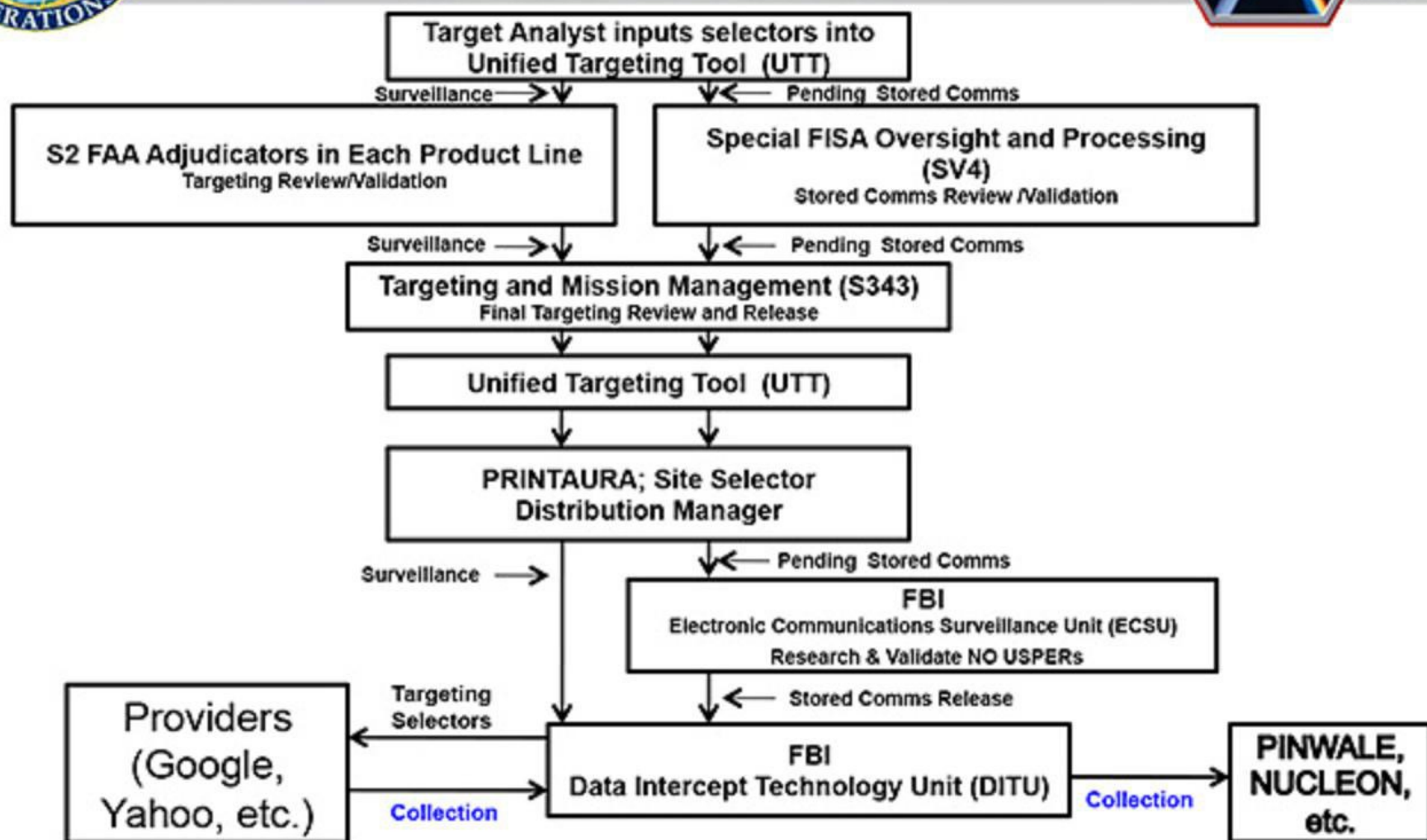
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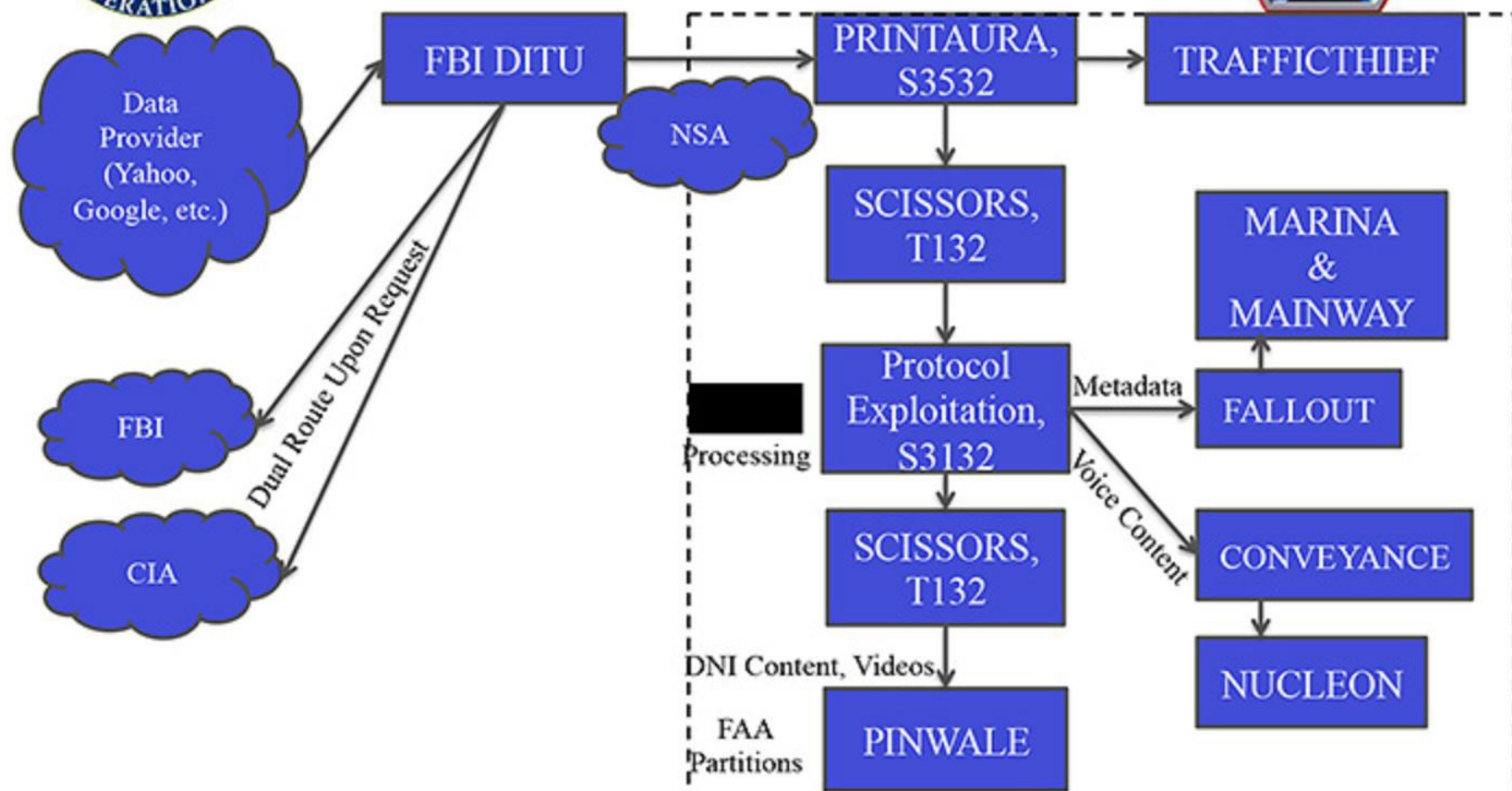
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## PRISM Tasking Process





## (TS//SI//NF) PRISM Collection Dataflow







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## (TS//SI//NF) PRISM Case Notations



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## PRISM Provider

P1: Microsoft  
 P2: Yahoo  
 P3: Google  
 P4: Facebook  
 P5: PalTalk  
 P6: YouTube  
 P7: Skype  
 P8: AOL  
 PA: Apple

Fixed trigraph, denotes  
 PRISM source collection

Year CASN established  
 for selector

Serial #

## Content Type

A: Stored Comms (Search)  
 B: IM (chat)  
 C: RTN-EDC (real-time notification of an e-mail event such as a login or sent message)  
 D: RTN-IM (real-time notification of a chat login or logout event)  
 E: E-Mail  
 F: VoIP  
 G: Full (WebForum)  
 H: OSN Messaging (photos, wallposts, activity, etc.)  
 I: OSN Basic Subscriber Info  
 J: Videos  
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## REPRISMFISA TIPS

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Click on the PRISM icon first  
(from the initial webpage)

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## PRISM ENTRIES

Last Lead on Apr 05, 2013 at 12:22 PM GMT

Check the total record status, click on this link

## QUICK LINKS

- See Entire List (Current)
- See Entire List (Expired)
- See Entire List (Current and Expired)
- See NSA List
- See New Records
- Ownership Count

If the total count is much less than this,  
REPRISMFISA is having issues, E-MAIL  
the REPRISMFISA HELP DESK AT

AND INFORM THEM

## SEARCH

The search form below can be used as a filter to see a partial list of records.

Search For: ☐ AND ☒ OR

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(+/- from now) 

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## Prism Current Entries

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