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# Using AOL Security Monitor

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# Popular Anti-Virus Programs



A screenshot of the SpywareBlaster application window. The window title is "SpywareBlaster". The interface has a blue header bar with the application name and a help icon. Below the header, there are three tabs: "Status" (selected), "Internet Explorer", and "Restricted Sites". The main content area shows the "Protection" status, which is "Enabled". It lists three protection categories: "Internet Explorer protection is enabled", "Restricted Sites protection is enabled", and "Mozilla/Firefox protection is enabled". Each category has a link to "0 items have protection disabled...". Below this, it says "SpywareBlaster database loaded: 8/26/2006" and "6577 items in database". There is a "Quick Tasks" section with links for "Enable All Protection", "Disable All Protection", and "Download Latest Protection Updates". A yellow warning box is visible on the right side, titled "Internet Explorer Security Alert!", with the text "Your version of Internet Explorer is configured in an insecure manner. Click here to learn more and fix it." The left sidebar contains a navigation menu with "Protection", "System Snapshot", "Tools", and "Updates". The version number "Version 3.5.1" is displayed at the bottom of the sidebar.

Trend Micro™ Anti-Spyware for the Web

Free Online Spyware Removal Utility 



# Security Programs

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- Need to be updated on a Regular Basis
- Some have Automatic Update Processes
- Check for Updates
- Check for New Definition Files



# AOL Security Monitor

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- A New Service Courtesy of AOL - **FREE**
- Find Out if You Are Protected from
  - Viruses
  - Spyware
  - Identity Theft
  - Other Security Threats

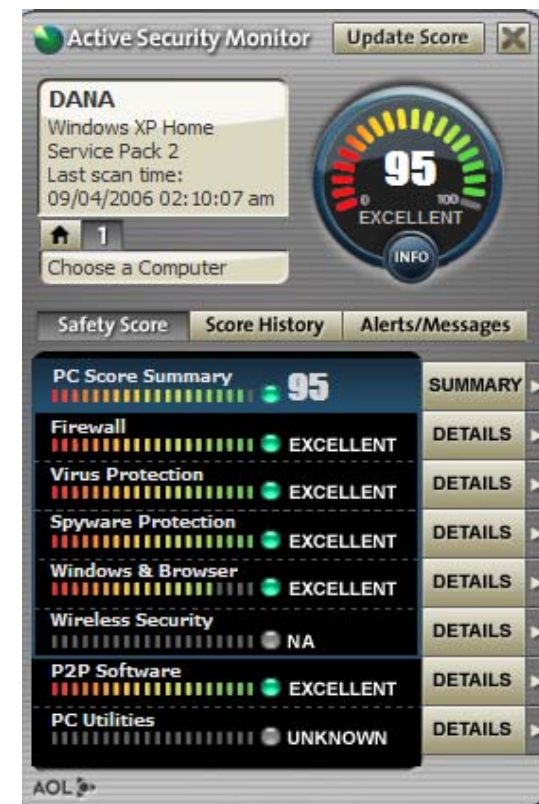
# AOL Security Monitor

- Sits in System Tray



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- Constantly Monitors Your System
- Gives a Security Score from 0-100



Displays which operating system is installed on your PC and when ASM was last run

Click to re-scan your PC and update your safety score

Displays your PC's overall Safety Score

Click to show the Safety Score history for the past 3 weeks

Click to show important alerts and messages

Click any DETAILS button to display more detailed information

Each number represents a computer in your home network – click a number to view details for that PC

Click to show the Safety Score for the selected PC

Evaluation of security status

Items monitored

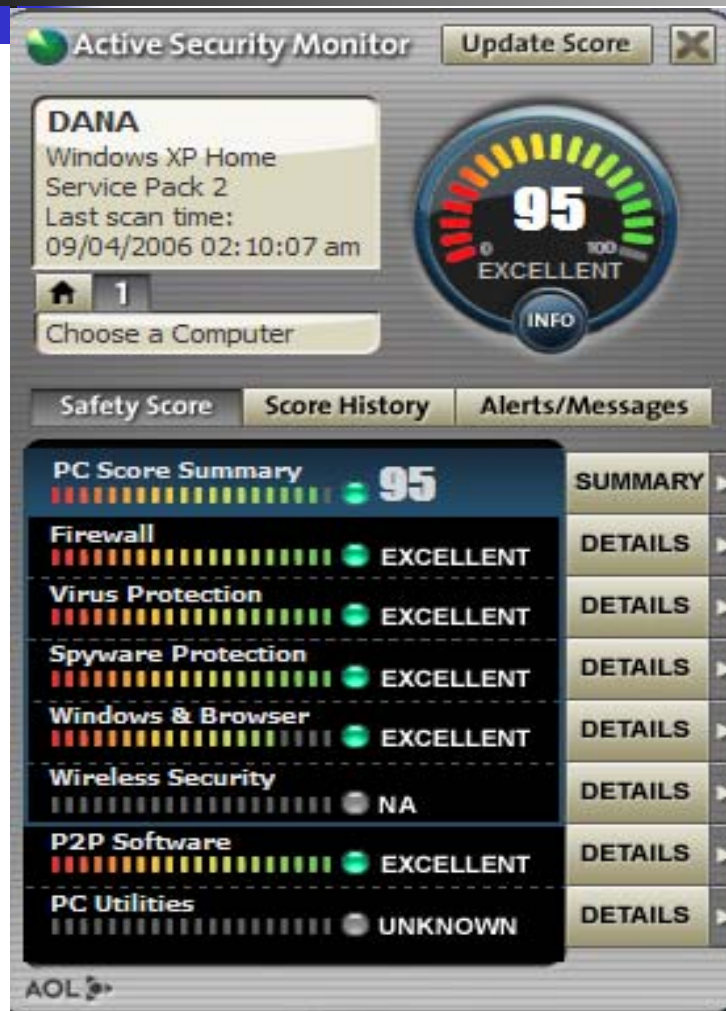


# AOL Security Monitor



- Monitors
  - Firewall
  - Virus Protection
  - Spyware Protection
  - Browser
  - Wireless Security
  - P2P Software
  - PC Utilities

# AOL Security Monitor



- Alerts You When You Need to Update
- Provides You the Details on Which Programs Need to be Updated

# AOL Security Monitor

- Identifies Problems
- Gives Actions to Correct the Problem

The screenshot displays the AOL Active Security Monitor interface. At the top, it shows the user name 'DANA' and system information: 'Windows XP Home Service Pack 2' and 'Last scan time: 09/04/2006 02:10:07 am'. A large circular gauge shows a score of 95, labeled 'EXCELLENT'. Below the gauge, there are tabs for 'Safety Score', 'Score History', and 'Alerts/Messages'. The main area lists security categories with their status:

Category	Status
PC Score Summary	95
Firewall	EXCELLENT
Virus Protection	EXCELLENT
Spyware Protection	EXCELLENT
Windows & Browser	EXCELLENT
Wireless Security	NA
P2P Software	EXCELLENT
PC Utilities	UNKNOWN

On the right side, a 'PROBLEMS:' section highlights: 'Multiple anti-virus (AV) programs are detected on this PC. Running more than one AV program can slow down this PC, and they can interfere with each other. [Learn more](#)'. Below this, a 'RECOMMENDATION' section advises: 'Choose the AV program you want to keep, and uninstall the other(s): click Start, click Control Panel, and click on Add or Remove Programs. Ensure that the remaining AV program is enabled and up to date.'



# Getting AOL Security Monitor

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- Google “aol security monitor”
- Or go to [download.com](http://download.com)
  - Security and Spyware
    - Security and Encryption
      - Sort by Total Downloads



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