

# BGP Prefix Hijacking

On February 28, 2008, Pakistan Telecom started announcing a prefix 208.65.153.0/24. This prefix is larger than 208.65.152.0/22 usually announced by YouTube. The BGP routers in the internet that received the /24 prefix preferred it over the /22 announcement and started using it. Internet traffic originally going to Youtube started flowing toward Pakistan Telecom. You can find detailed information about this event on the [RIPE NCC](#) pages or you can watch the following video analyzing the event with the BGPlay tool.

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