

Is bajatimes.com.mx a scam? TrustSniffer's high-risk assessment: 0/100

bajatimes.com.mx

Verdict

0

OUT OF 100

CRITICAL RISK

bajatimes.com.mx shows high-risk / scam indicators.

This assessment found strong scam indicators. Do not pay, sign in, or share personal details with this site.

Sensitive Interaction Risk

Governance Risk

Assessed 2026-08-20 by automated analysis. Classification confidence 55%.

What this site appears to be

Baja Times — an established free English-language local newspaper for Baja California focused on tourism and local community news, supported by advertising and print editions.

Evidence status and limitations

Evidence completeness: UNKNOWN

- The real-world operator identity was not independently verified.
- Module-level completeness metadata is unavailable for this legacy report.

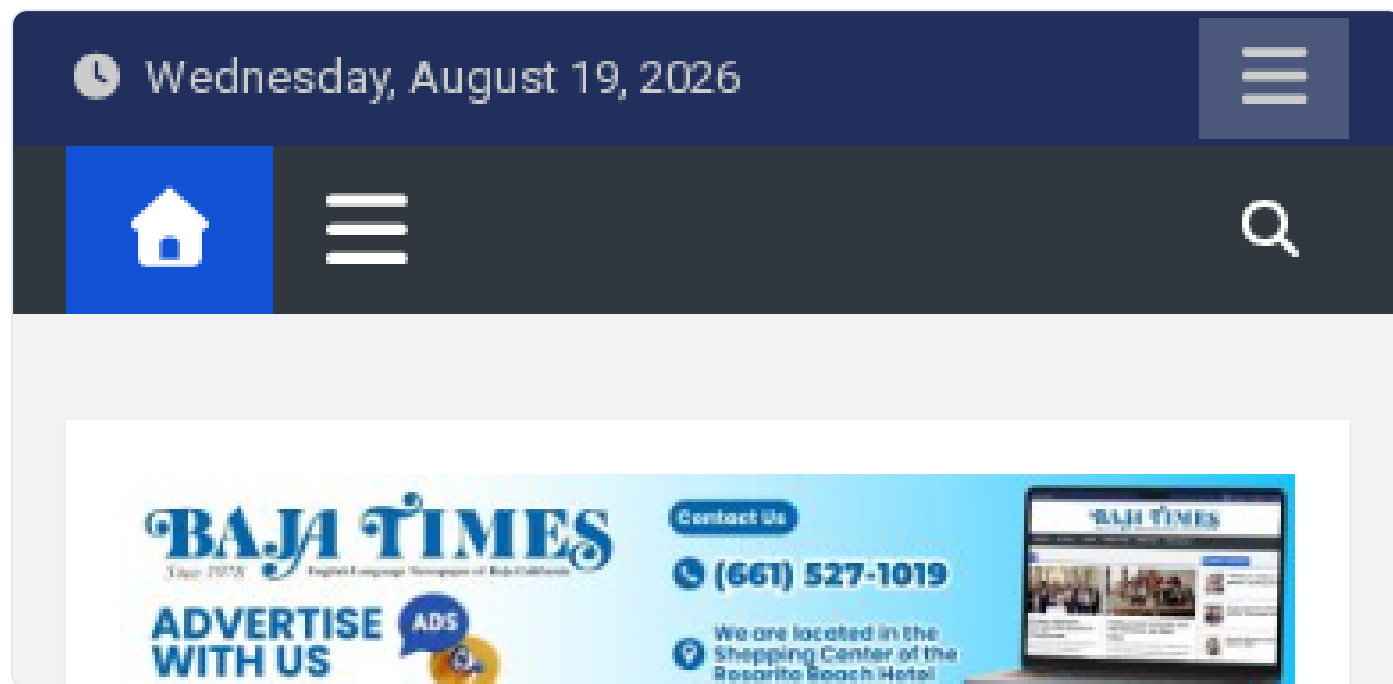
At a glance

The checks that decide most of this verdict.

Malware engines	1 flagged it VirusTotal	RISK
Google Safe Browsing	Not listed Google	CLEAR
Abuse reports on the host	0 reports AbuseIPDB; shared hosting inflates this count	NOTED
Domain age	9.0 years old Registered history	CLEAR
Web archive	Archived since 2017 Public history exists	CLEAR
Certificate	Encrypted connection Issued by YR2	NOTED

The page as captured

<https://www.bajatimes.com.mx/>



What bajatimes.com.mx served when TrustSniffer captured it on 2026-08-20. The page may look different now.

Key findings

- Automated classification: Sensitive Interaction Risk.
- Domain age: 3 to 10 years (registration continuity).
- Public web-archive history exists since 2017.
- At least one reputation service TrustSniffer consulted had flagged this domain at assessment time.

Full analysis

Security Alert

Fortinet flagged this site in external intelligence checks, indicating elevated compromise/scam exposure that requires immediate caution.

Baja Times is a free English-language local newspaper serving tourists and foreign residents in Baja California, presenting reporting on local news, tourism, culture, sports, events, and print editions through an advertising-supported media model.

Scam/Impersonation Risk

No confirmed phishing, impersonation, or other identity contradiction was observed. The homepage presents a coherent local-news publication and the observed behavior showed no login form, hidden form, credential submission, wallet connection, or suspicious external posting activity. However, the site carries a significant external security-reputation concern: one security provider, Fortinet, returned a malicious detection. That signal is not independently attributed to a specific page behavior and does not by itself establish that the publication is fraudulent, but it warrants a restrictive posture for credentials, financial activity, and other sensitive interactions.

EVIDENCE

- The homepage contains editorial sections for Baja California, tourism, culture and arts, sports, events, and print editions, with no observed credential-collection interface.
- Behavioral testing recorded zero external XHR requests, zero external POST requests, zero hidden forms, and zero wallet-related activity across two successful runs.
- External security telemetry recorded `vt\_malicious: 1`, with Fortinet identified as the tier-one flagged vendor.
- The domain was registered on 2017-08-07 and is approximately 9.04 years old.

Regulatory Verification Notes

The visible site structure includes About Us, Contact Us, and advertising-related navigation, but the supplied material does not independently verify the legal entity operating the publication. No licensing claim or registration number is presented; for a local newspaper this is a disclosure and engagement-verification issue rather than evidence of a scam. The available identity evidence therefore supports an apparent media publication, while real-world operator identity remains unverified. No broker match was identified in the supplied third-party reputational context.

EVIDENCE

- The homepage navigation exposes About Us, Contact Us, and “Advertise whit us” pages or functions, but the supplied page content does not establish an independently verified legal operator.
- No license authority or license number is claimed in the available business-model evidence.
- The domain registrar is Wingu Networks S.A de C.V.
- The site's TLS certificate is issued by YR2, uses Domain Validation (DV), and is valid to 2026-10-01T05:03:39+00:00.

What to Verify Next

Before any commercial engagement, independently corroborate the publication's operating entity using a separate local-business, media, or advertising record rather than relying solely on the website's own pages. Confirm official contact channels through an independent route, and obtain written contracting and payment details for advertising, sponsored content, classifieds, or print purchases. If any proposed service extends beyond ordinary media activity, confirm the relevant authorization directly with the applicable regulator before proceeding.

EVIDENCE

- Operator identity is not independently verified in the supplied evidence.
- The site's stated commercial model includes advertising, classifieds, event promotion, and possible sponsored content, making contracting-entity confirmation relevant to paid engagement.
- The available material contains no licensing authority or registration number to validate against a registry if regulated activity is proposed.

Summary Verdict

The website has a coherent and established-looking local-news purpose, but the authoritative assessment places it in a **critical sensitive-interaction risk posture** because of the external malicious detection and unresolved identity verification. Ordinary informational browsing is materially different from relying on the site for credentials, financial activity, or other sensitive transactions.

Infrastructure Integrity

The site resolves directly to a hosting environment operated by WHG-MEX—WHG Hosting Services Ltd in the United Kingdom, with no CDN or WAF detected and one likely origin address. This infrastructure provides stable hosting but offers limited defensive intermediation; infrastructure alone is not evidence of legitimacy.

EVIDENCE

- Hosted on AS211126, WHG-MEX - WHG Hosting Services Ltd, GB.
- Resolved server IP: 195.250.27.41; infrastructure data records one unique IP, zero edge IPs, and one likely origin IP.
- TLS validation level: DV; issuer: YR2; expiry: 2026-10-01T05:03:39+00:00.

Closing Assessment

The appropriate posture is read-only use until the operator and any proposed commercial or sensitive interaction have been independently validated; credentials, financial details, and transactions should not be submitted in the interim.

Written analysis generated 2026-08-20 by the TrustSniffer Analysis Engine from the evidence in this report.

What the analysis found

2 findings contributed to this verdict, raised by registration and ownership, analysis engine, external reputation.

01 Governance Risk

- The public registration record for this domain is incomplete.

Registration and ownership rule:KF_WHOIS_INCOMPLETE

02 Sensitive Interaction Risk

- The analysis matched a pattern TrustSniffer treats as a direct threat to a visitor.
- An external threat feed lists this domain: either Google Safe Browsing marked it malicious, or a significant number of malware engines flagged it.

Analysis engine signal:direct_threat

External reputation rule:EXT_BLACKLIST_CRITICAL

Identity verification

Status	UNVERIFIED
Identity score	30/100

Identity verification confidence	50%
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- No on-site identity signals detected

Identity verification measures whether the site can be independently connected to a real-world brand or person. It is separate from the classification confidence.

What TrustSniffer observed

First-party facts recorded during the assessment of bajatimes.com.mx.

- The request stayed on bajatimes.com.mx. It was not redirected to another domain. CLEAR
- Registration is published under Wingu Networks S.A de C.V.. CLEAR
- DNS for this domain is served by suempresa.com, across 3 name servers. NOTED
- The registration is paid up to 2027-08-07. NOTED
- The earliest public archive of this site is from 2017-09-11. CLEAR
- It is hosted on WHG-MEX, from a server in GB. NOTED

Domain intelligence

Registrar	Wingu Networks S.A de C.V.
Hosting	WHG-MEX - WHG Hosting Services Ltd, GB
Country	GB
Server IP	195.250.27.41
Name servers	ns4.suempresa.com, ns5.suempresa.com, ns6.suempresa.com
SSL issuer	YR2
SSL expiry	2026-10-01
Domain age	9.04 years (continuous registration)
Domain expiry	2027-08-07
Archive first seen	2017-09-11
Archive snapshots	Not counted (archive lookup incomplete)
Reputation	VirusTotal: 1 flagged AbuseIPDB: 0 reports Google Safe Browsing: 0 matches

About this assessment

A trust score summarises the evidence TrustSniffer could collect about bajatimes.com.mx at assessment time. It is a starting point for your own judgement, not a guarantee: a high score means the signals were consistent with a legitimately operated site, a low or critical score means several risk patterns were present.

TrustSniffer assesses a website from the evidence it can collect at a point in time: domain registration and age, hosting and certificate, the content the site served, and third-party reputation feeds. A score is a summary of that evidence, not a guarantee and not a legal finding. There is no human rating and no user review in it. A site can change after it is assessed.

