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Search results count overlooks permissions | Tiki Wiki CMS Groupware :: Development

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Status

● Open

Subject

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Version

6.x

Category

- Conflict of two features (each works well independently)

Feature

Search

Permission

Resolution status

New

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Rating

★★★★★ (0) ?

Description

When searching for terms which appear in areas for which a user has no permission, the search results show the full number of pages on which the term appears but the detailed results are limited to pages for which the user has permissions. This makes a certain amount of sense but may be confusing for users who are not aware that they are restricted from some content.

I'm not sure at this point whether this applies to only FT Search, Tiki search or both. (I've pretty much stopped using Tiki)

Importance

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Priority

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Demonstrate Bug (Tiki 19+)

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Version: trunk ▼

Demonstrate Bug (older Tiki versions)

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Comments



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This issue was resolved for Tiki search (new implementation) in Tiki7. It cannot be solved in prior versions.



Dan.BTown 03 Jul 11 13:15 GMT-0000

I also came across this issue recently in a setup of TW 6.3 where category permissions are used to grant distinct project groups access to categorized sensitive contractor and client data.

The issue is more severe than it might look at first glance.

Imagine TW 6.3 used by an organisation advocating single persons or groups of people who suffer an illness which is connected with social repression and the risk of loosing one's job once the respective person is known to suffer from that illness. (An example might be advocacy of people with HIV infections.)

In such a context, the mere information that a search for a person's name leads to a certain number of results other than 0 might give rise to suspicion the person in question might suffer that infection or illness, even if the user performing the search does not have access to the TW objects the search did come across, but does not display.

Thus, an installation of TW < 7 used as a groupware system would be unlawfull in some jurisdictions where strict privacy laws apply, like, say, in Germany.

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