

## Re: windows 2000 unwanted data transfer

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As Mike said it was the fact that you have a firewall enabled by default in XP SP2 that caused the activity to stop. I suggest that you scrap the pppoe and get a NAT/router for your dsl connection. They are cheap and effective for the average home type user. The link below shows one for example that is less then \$30 shipped. You can of course use a software firewall and Sygate or Zone Alarm are good with Zone Alarm being easier to configure.

<http://www.newegg.com/app/ViewProductDesc.asp?description=33-127-013&depa=5>  
--- NAT/router

If Norton did not find the problem then first make sure your antivirus is up to date with definitions, try a second opinion, and scan for parasites also with something like AdAware SE which is free for personal use. I would also scan your computer with Microsoft Baseline Security Analyzer to check for vulnerabilities. You may find that with weak passwords, weak share permissions, and unneeded services running such as WWW or FTP that your computer is being used as a FTP server or such. The links below should be helpful. --- Steve

<http://www.microsoft.com/technet/security/tools/mbsahome.msp> --- MBSA  
<http://www.download.com/3000-2094-10045910.html?legacy=cnet> --- AdAware SE  
<http://www.trendmicro.com/download/dcs.asp> --- Sysclean  
<http://www.trendmicro.com/download/pattern.asp> --- pattern files for Sysclean  
<http://www.microsoft.com/athome/security/protect/default.aspx> --- Microsoft protect your pc

"Madhu" <Madhu@discussions.microsoft.com> wrote in message news:438821B9-FF69-4924-ACED-A203F5860BAD@microsoft.com...  
>A windows 2000 professional pc is used to access internet on a PPPOE  
> connection. The charges are based on the volume of data transfer. It is  
> found  
> that large volume of data transfer take place even if the PC is left idle.  
> This was happening for Windows XP also, but stopped when service pack 2  
> was  
> installed. But even after installing service pack4 for win2000 the problem  
> remains. Antivirus check by Norton didnot find any virus.  
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