NINTH ANNUAL COST OF CYBERCRIME STUDY
Unlocking the value of improved cybersecurity protection

The Ninth Annual Cost of Cybercrime study combines research across 11 countries in 16 industries. In Australia, we interviewed 166 senior leaders from 24 companies and drew on the experience and expertise of Accenture Security to examine the economic impact of cyberattacks.

THE EXPANDING THREAT LANDSCAPE AND NEW BUSINESS INNOVATION IS LEADING TO AN INCREASE IN CYBERATTACKS

Cybercrime is evolving

Security breaches are growing

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| Average number of security breaches in 2017 | +18% Increase in the last year | Average number of security breaches in 2018 | =67% Increase in the last 5 years |
| 53 | 65 |

Technologies introduce risk, and so do humans

- 77% of business leaders say new business models Introduce technology vulnerabilities faster than they can be secured.
- Only 5% of CISOs say employees in their organisations are held accountable for cybersecurity today.

ORGANISATIONS SPEND MORE THAN EVER DEALING WITH THE COSTS AND CONSEQUENCES OF INCREASINGLY SOPHISTICATED ATTACKS

Cost of cybercrime is rising

- $5.1m (Average cost of cybercrime in 2017) → $6.8m (Average cost of cybercrime in 2018) +20% Increase in the last year =58% Increase in the last 5 years

People-based attacks have increased the most

Business consequences are expensive

- $2.0m (Cost of business disruption)
- $3.0m (Cost of information loss) 35%

Automation, AI and Machine Learning deliver the largest cost savings when fully deployed
IMPROVING CYBERSECURITY PROTECTION CAN CREATE ECONOMIC VALUE FOR AN ORGANISATION AND PROVIDE A USEFUL BENCHMARK FOR SECURITY INVESTMENTS

What is economic value?

REDUCE THE COST OF CYBERCRIME

OPEN UP NEW REVENUE OPPORTUNITIES

The average G2000 company can gain new economic value

IMPROVES COST

INCREASES TRUST

ADDS VALUE

$2,670,000

$2,470,000

$2,380,000

$1,990,000

$1,400,000

$1,340,000

$1,250,000

$1,000,100

$520,000

2.8%

$580m

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THREE STEPS TO UNLOCK CYBERSECURITY VALUE

Prioritise protecting people-based attacks

Invest to limit information loss and business disruption

Target technologies that reduce rising costs

Use training and education to reinforce safe behaviors, for people inside and outside the organisation.

Take a data-centric approach to security to better manage information loss and business disruption and comply with new privacy regulations.

Use automation, AI/machine learning and advanced analytics to reduce the rising cost of discovering attacks.

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