

Cybercrime Trends

2019 Update

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Current State of Affairs

What are the bad guys up to?

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Hackers have “monetized” their activity

- More hacking
- More sophistication
- More “hands-on” effort
- Smaller organizations targeted



Current State of Affairs

Organized Crime

- Wholesale theft of personal information

Ransomware

- Holding your data hostage

Payment Fraud

- “Corporate Account Take-Over” - aka CATO
- Use of credentials to commit online banking and credit card fraud

Credential “Harvesting”





Organized Crime

Current State of Affairs

Hacking is run like a business with different departments

- Writing malware
- Sending phishing emails
- Stealing data
- Selling data
- Conducting payment fraud
- Etc.



Organized
Crime

Current State of Affairs

Home Buy CC CC Orders **Buy Dumps** Dump orders Checker Tickets Hello, [REDACTED] Cart (1) 9.45\$ Balance: 3.0\$ Add money Replace policy Logout

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201

Didn't find the bin you were looking for? Need more dumps of particular bin? Try our partner's shop - [Bulk Orders - Low Prices!](#)

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<https://www.deepdotweb.com/wp-content/uploads/2014/10/listings.jpg>



Ransomware

Current State of Affairs

- CryptoWall, CryptoLocker, wannacry, petya, etc.
- Encrypt all data, hold it “ransom” for \$\$
 - Data on local machine and on network
- Attackers are putting much more time and effort into these types of attacks over the last year
- Starting to target other operating systems, like Macs



Ransomware

3 Generations

1. Local machine only
2. Local machine plus network permissions
3. Local machine plus ***ENTIRE NETWORK***





Ransomware

Current State of Affairs

Ransomware victims pay cybercriminals to save family photos

Theresa and Billy Niedermayer felt they had no choice but to cave in to the demand

By David Common, [CBC News](#) | Posted: Mar 11, 2015 5:00 AM ET | Last Updated: Mar 12, 2015 9:53 AM ET

“Theresa and Billy Niedermayer paid an **\$800** ransom to get precious family photos of their three young boys back from cybercriminals.”

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/technology/ransomware-victims-pay-cybercriminals-to-save-family-photos-1.2962106>





Payment Fraud

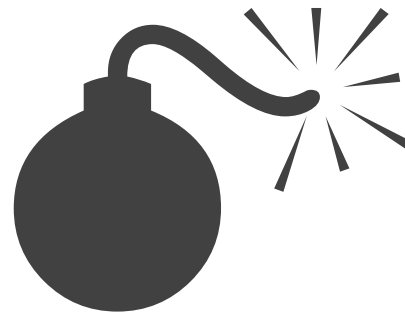
Current State of Affairs

- Public School
- Hospice
- Municipal Government (City)
- Main Street newspaper stand
- Electrical contractor
- Health care trade association
- Rural hospital
- Mining company
- On and on and on and on.....



CATO – 3 Versions

1. Deploy malware – keystroke logger
2. Deploy malware – man in the middle
3. Recon/email persuasion
 1. *“Whaling”*
 2. *Business email Compromise*
 3. *CEO attack*
 1. ***NEW – W2 attacks***





Multi-Factor Authentication Solutions

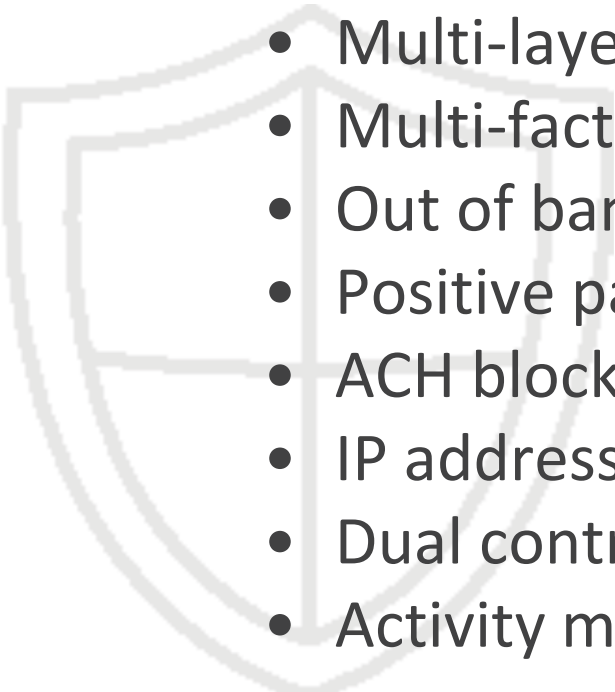
- MFA is critical
- Silver bullet?
- Text msg?





Payment
Fraud

CATO Defensive Measures

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- Multi-layer authentication
 - Multi-factor authentication
 - Out of band authentication
 - Positive pay
 - ACH block and filter
 - IP address filtering
 - Dual control
 - Activity monitoring



Credential Harvesting

Credential Harvesting

- Driven by movement to the cloud
- Malware
- Social engineering





Mitigation Keys

- Train users regarding email phishing
- Maintain current patch levels
- Remove local administrators
- ***Maximize relationship with the bank***
- ***Isolate the PC used for online banking***
- Implement breach monitoring/
incident response
- Use MFA for all cloud apps



Current State of Affairs



The Cost

Global cybercrime cost business up to:
\$400 **BILLION** annually

Some companies theorize it will reach:
\$2.1 **TRILLION** by 2019

“There are only two types of companies: Those that have been hacked and those that will be. Even that is merging into one category: those that have been hacked and will be again.”

- Robert Mueller

Questions?

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10 Key Defensive Measures

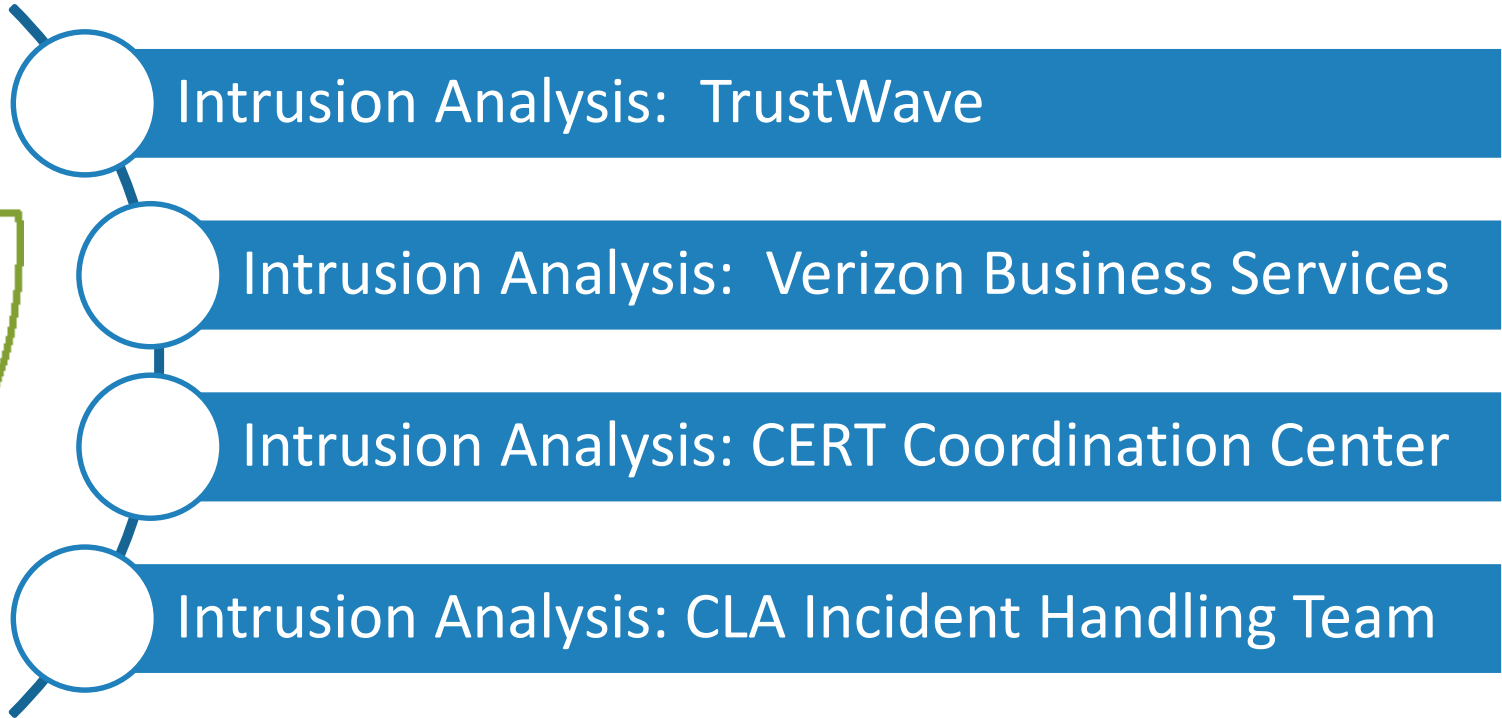
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96% of Attacks are Preventable!



Strategies



Our information security strategy should have the following objectives:

- Users who are more aware and savvy
- Networks that are resistant to malware
- Relationship with our financial institution is maximized



Ten Keys to Mitigate Risk

1. Strong Policies -

- Email use
- Website links
- Removable media
- **Users vs Admin**

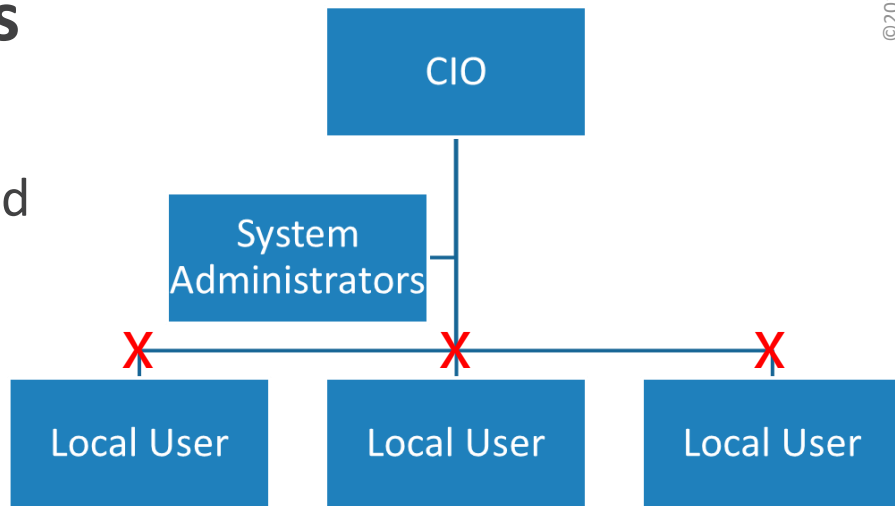




Ten Keys to Mitigate Risk

2. Defined user access roles and permissions

- Principal of minimum access and least privilege
- **Users should NOT have system administrator rights**
 - **“Local Admin” in Windows should be removed (if practical)**





Ten Keys to Mitigate Risk

3. Hardened internal systems (end points)

- Hardening checklists
- Turn off unneeded services
- **Change default password**
- **Use Strong Passwords**
- **Consider application white-listing**

4. Encryption strategy – data centered

- Email
- Laptops and desktops
- Thumb drives
- **Email enabled cell phones**
- Mobile media



Ten Keys to Mitigate Risk

5. Vulnerability management process

- Operating system patches
- **Application patches**
- Testing to validate effectiveness –
 - “belt and suspenders”





Ten Keys to Mitigate Risk

6. Well defined perimeter security layers

- **Network segments**
- Email gateway/filter
- Firewall – “Proxy” integration for traffic in AND out
- Intrusion Detection/Prevention for network traffic, Internet facing hosts, AND workstations (end points)

7. Centralized audit logging, analysis, and automated alerting capabilities

- Routing infrastructure
- Network authentication
- Servers
- Applications
- Know what “normal” looks like...



Ten Keys to Mitigate Risk

8. Defined incident response plan and procedures

- **Be prepared**
- Including data leakage prevention and monitoring
- Application whitelisting
- Forensic preparedness
- Insurance
- Practice...

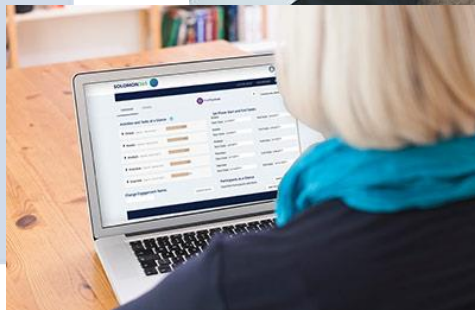




Ten Keys to Mitigate Risk

9. Know/Use Online Banking Tools

- Multi-factor authentication
- Dual control/verification
- Out-of-band verification/call-back thresholds
- ACH positive pay
- ACH blocks and filters
- Review contracts relative to all these
- Monitor account activity *daily*
- **Isolate the PC used for wires/ACH**





Ten Keys to Mitigate Risk

10. Test Test Test

- “Belt and suspenders” approach
- Penetration testing
 - ◇ Internal and external
- Social engineering testing
 - ◇ Simulate spear phishing
- Application testing
 - ◇ Test the tools with your bank
 - ◇ Test internal processes