

Cybersecurity Trends and Threats

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Agenda

- Introductions
- Think like an Attacker
- Cybersecurity Trends
- Securing Yourself
- Questions

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Think Like an Attacker!

Password Policy for Company X:

Length: 8 characters

Complexity Required: Three of the four (A, a, 1, !)

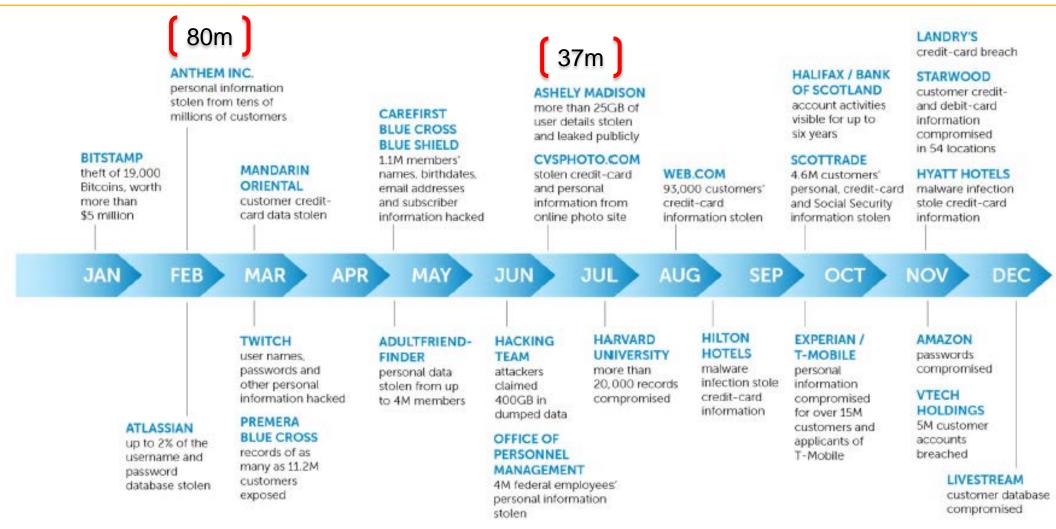
Lockout: 3 Attempts

Lockout Duration: Forever

QUESTION: Given the above password complexity is enabled on the system, what be would *your first guess* for user account passwords?



Breaches By The Numbers



¹ dell security 2016 threat report: http://dell.to/1QeaJ4X

Tactics and Adversaries



Who's behind the breaches?

75%

perpetrated by outsiders.

25%

involved internal actors.

18%

conducted by state-affiliated actors.

3%

featured multiple parties.

2%

involved partners.

51%

involved organized criminal groups.



What tactics do they use?

62%

of breaches featured hacking.

51%

over half of breaches included malware.

81%

of hacking-related breaches leveraged either stolen and/or weak passwords.

43%

were social attacks.

14%

Errors were causal events in 14% of breaches. The same proportion involved privilege misuse.

8%

Physical actions were present in 8% of breaches.

Who is targeted?



Who are the victims?

24%

of breaches affected financial organizations.

15%

of breaches involved healthcare organizations.

12%

Public sector entities were the third most prevalent breach victim at 12%.

15%

Retail and Accommodation combined to account for 15% of breaches.



What else is common?

66%

of malware was installed via malicious email attachments.

73%

of breaches were financially motivated.

21%

of breaches were related to espionage.

27%

of breaches were discovered by third parties.

How do breaches actually happen?

Initial Point of Entry

Pivot and Escalate

Fortify and Access Data

Data Exfiltration

Initial Point of Entry

The point of entry represents how the attacker obtains initial access. Examples include social engineering, unpatched internet-accessible systems, or weak passwords on externally accessible systems. In a 2015 Mandiant case study, the initial point of entry was achieved by logging into an externally accessible virtual system.

Pivot Point

The initial access typically does not provide the information the attacker is looking for. They will take advantage of the initial access to try to increase authority on the network. This could occur through shared passwords, unpatched systems, or excessive privileges. In the Mandiant case study, the attackers took advantage of misconfigured devices and shared passwords to eventually obtain domain administrator authority.

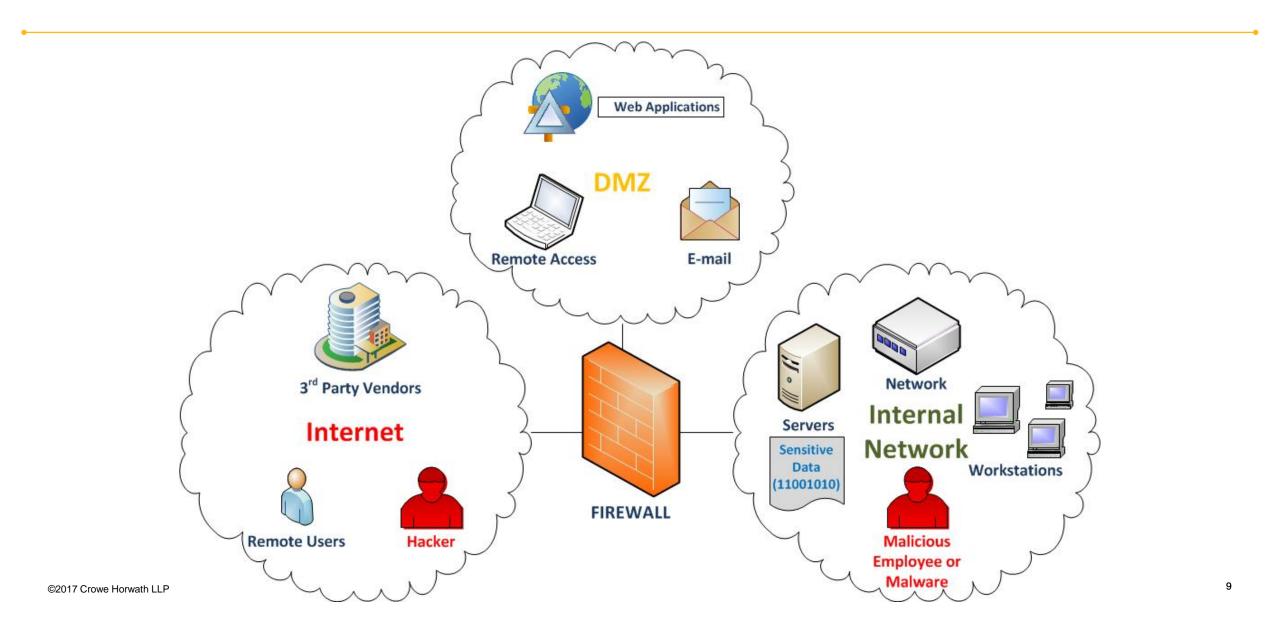
Fortify Access and Access Data

As the attacker pivots around the network, they continue to attempt to escalate their authority until they have the necessary access. They will typically fortify their access by installing malware or backdoors to maintain access. In the Mandiant case study, the administrator credentials the attacker obtained also had authority to the cardholder network, where they installed a card harvesting malware to capture credit card data.

Data Exfiltration

Once the attacker has data, they need to get it out of the network. This can be completed through email or FTP. In the Mandiant case study, the malware wrote the cards to a temp file on the database, which was copied to a server, then to a workstation that had internet access, where it was sent via FTP to the attacker.

Infrastructure Definitions



Cybersecurity Trends

Ransomware [defined]

Per the FBI Cyber Division

✓ Ransomware is a form of malware that targets both human and technical weaknesses in organizations and individual networks in an effort to deny the availability of critical data and systems.

Evolution

- ✓ First reported instances of ransomware 1989, using floppy disks!
- ✓ Research on the subject matter first produced in 1996
- ✓ Modern-day ransomware began in 2005
- ✓ First "mass-deployed ransomware" in 2012

Source: Cisco Talos Blog, "Ransomware: Past, Present, and Future," April 11, 2016,

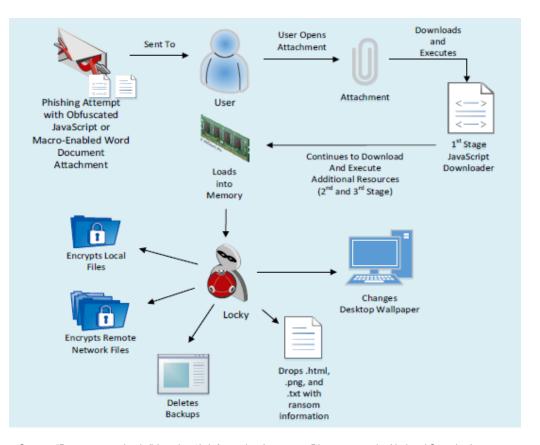
http://blog.talosintel.com/2016/04/ransomware.html#ch2



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Ransomware [attack flow]

- ✓ Primary attack vector: social engineering
- ✓ Takeaway: Results are different, but attack vectors and recommendations are *not*
- ✓ Moment to pause: What would the <u>impact</u> to your organization be? Loss of:
 - √ Files
 - ✓ Workstation(s)
 - ✓ Servers



Source: "Ransomware: Locky" (version 2), Information Assurance Directorate at the National Security Agency, https://www.iad.gov/iad/library/ia-guidance/tech-briefs/ransomeware-locky.cfm — Used with permission

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Ransomware [preparedness]

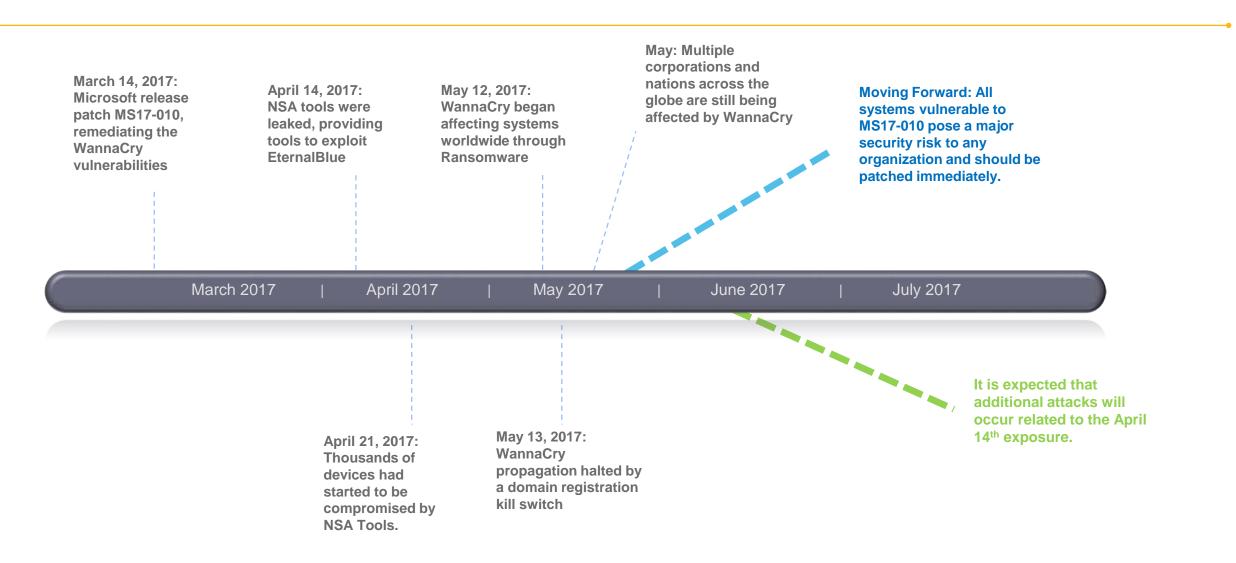
Tactically, what should we be reviewing?

- ✓ Email content filtering: What is able to be delivered to employees?
- ✓ Security awareness: How well are employees trained?
- ✓ Endpoint protection: Is there a layered approach?
- ✓ Propagation: Are we limiting the avenues for privilege escalation, including local administrator?
 Share permissions?
- ✓ Data backups: Have procedures been tested?
- ✓ Data exfiltration: What channels of communication are available outbound?
- ✓Incident response: Can we respond in a timely manner with the right skills?

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WannaCry Timeline of Events



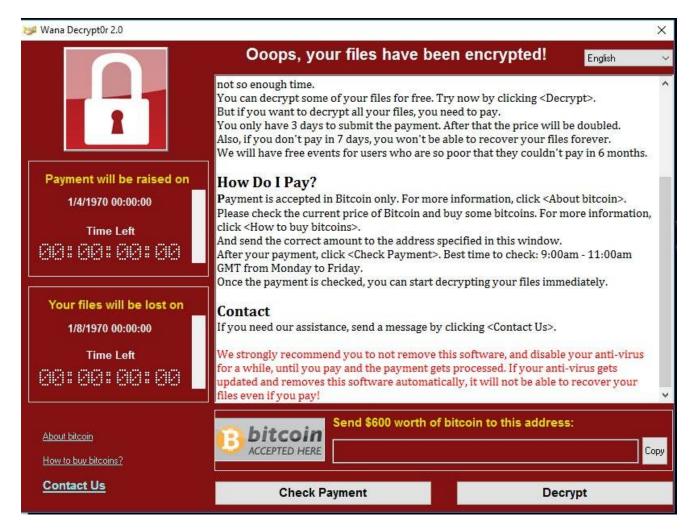
WannaCry Ransomware Infection

What Happens:

- Average ask is \$300 US
- •3 Day Timer
- Cost Escalation and Lock

Remediation:

- Make Payment and Cross Fingers
- Wipe and Restore



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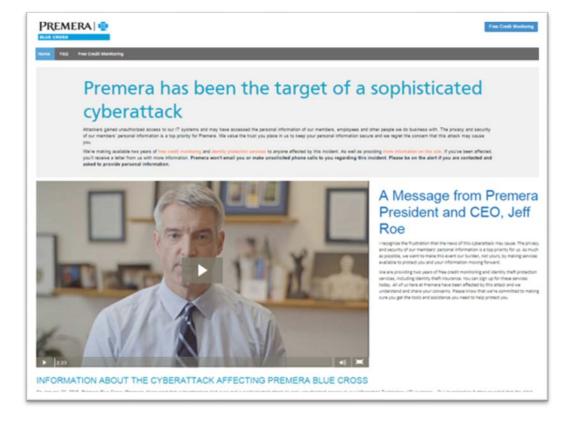
Be Prepared – Incident Response Planning

27% of organizations don't have a breach response plan or team in place

37% have not reviewed or updated their plan since

it was created

- ✓ What will I do?
- ✓ What are the laws?
- √What will my regulator say?
- √ How much will my customers ask?
- √Who will I call?
- √ How do I stop it?



Spear Phishing Example

From: "Client Content Filter System" <client-web-filter@FAKEBUTLOOKSREAL.org>

Subject: Potential Acceptable Use Violation

Michael,

Our web traffic monitoring service has reported that your account has visited potentially malicious web sites, including sites that are restricted per ABC's Acceptable Use Policy.

We do realize that this type of activity is often caused by viruses and other types of malware. The following link will direct you to the detailed report of the malicious web sites your system has visited as reported by the monitoring service; please review this list for accuracy.

https://www.FAKEBUTLOOKSREAL.org/ABC/?sessionid=ryan.reynolds@abc.com

The file has been encrypted for privacy and requires Microsoft Word macros to be enabled for viewing. If you believe that any of the sites listed in the report have been reported erroneously or that all sites noted are false positives, please reply to this email and a manual review will be conducted by Information Security.

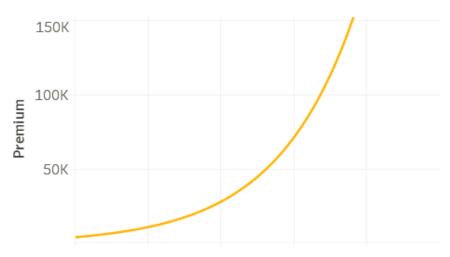
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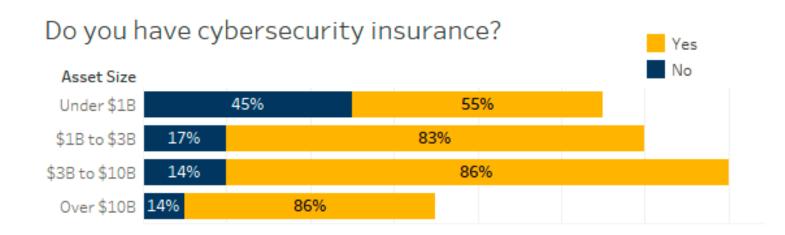
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Cybersecurity Insurance

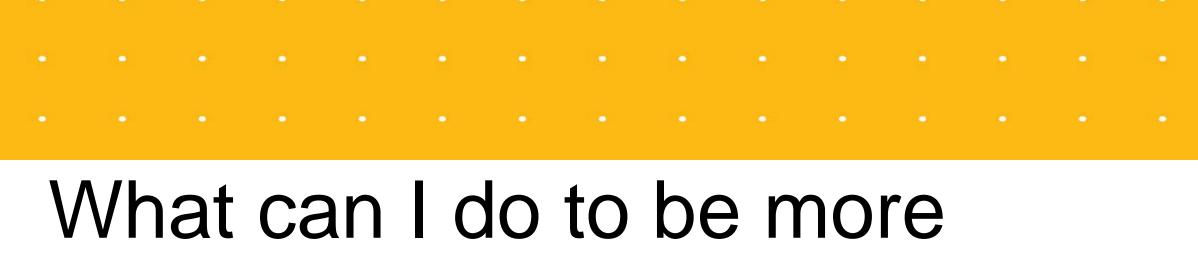
- •Crowe performed a Cybersecurity Insurance survey of approximately 50 Banks, questions addressed:
- Insurance adoption
- Asset Size vs. Deductible
- Asset Size vs. Policy Limits
- Asset Size vs. Premiums
- Claims Processing

Asset Size vs Premium





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secure?

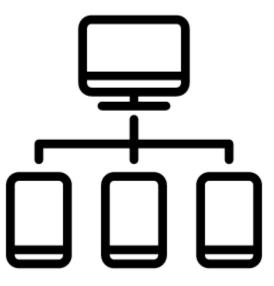
How do I secure myself: Tips and Tricks

- ✓ Password security LastPass
- ✓ Use of biometrics Touch ID
- ✓ If an email doesn't look right, call somebody
- ✓What's in a (domain) name?
- ✓ Anti-virus is good, but isn't enough
- ✓ Use of Passphrases
- ✓ Don't let children touch anything!



How do I secure my company: Tips and Tricks

- ✓ Protect your assets through <u>People</u>, <u>Process</u> and <u>Technology</u> controls
- ✓ Establish security and control standards
- ✓ Password security
- ✓ Manage your users' permissions
- ✓ Patch systems
- ✓ Monitor your infrastructure
- √Test your controls!



Increased Points of Entry







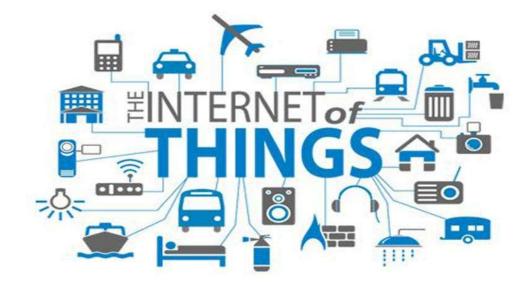






IoT (The Internet of Things)

- 12 billion devices connected to the internet in 2016
- More devices connected than mobile phones by 2018
- •By 2020 30 billion devices will be connected
- 5G technology helps enable this expansion
- Benefits
 - Increased productivity
 - Shared us of assets
 - The ability to perform more tasks form almost anywhere
- Concerns
 - Privacy
 - Security



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Source: Goldman Sachs, "Ransomware: The 5G Revolution: The Internet of Things Meets Everything," May 2016

http://www.goldmansachs.com/our-thinking/pages/iot-meets-everything.html?cid=PS_01_35_07_00_01_16_01&mkwid=8luESsWm

Stories from the Field











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