Investigative Response Case Metrics Initiative

Preliminary findings from 700+ data compromise investigations

GLOBAL CAPABILITY.
PERSONAL ACCOUNTABILITY.

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Agenda

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IR Case Metrics Initiative

IR Statistics & Trends

Who am I?

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“Then why are you here talking to us about investigative response trends?”

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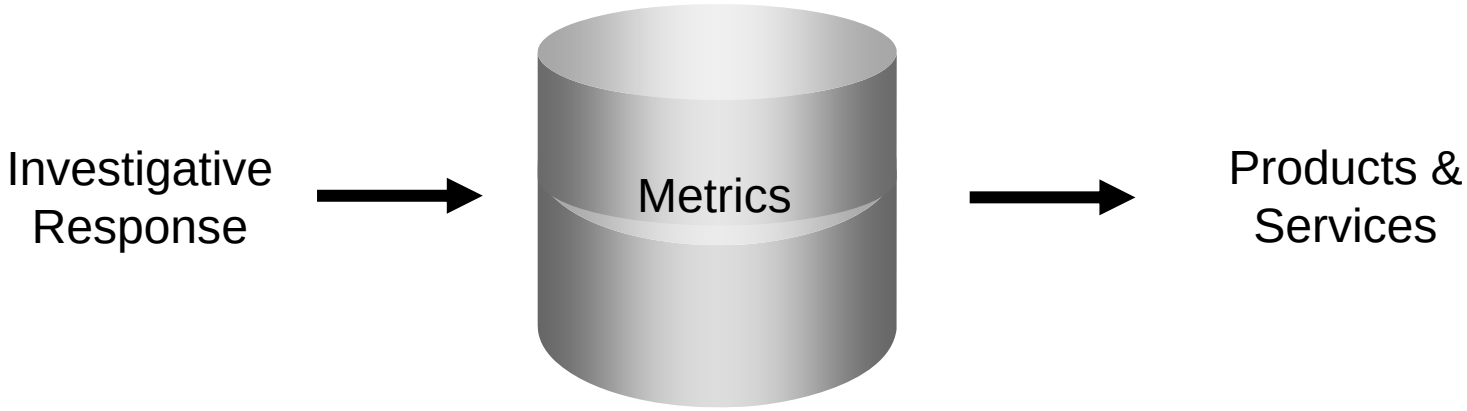

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IT Investigative Support (On-demand)
Guaranteed Response (Retainer-based)
Incident Response Training (CIRT)
Computer Forensic Training
Electronic Data Recovery / Destruction

Services

Expert Witness Testimony
Mock-Incident Testing
Corporate IR Program Development
Litigation Support & eDiscovery
Tactical Management Briefings

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230 cases in 2007 (1/4 of disclosures*)

185 cases in 2006 (1/4 of disclosures*)

166 cases in 2005 (1/3 of disclosures*)

130 cases in 2004

*Source: http://www.idtheftcenter.com/

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3 of the 5 largest data breaches

Overview: IR Metrics Initiative

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2004 – Q3 2007: Some high-level statistics & trends; some diffusion of insight and data

Q4 2007 – Present: Hundreds of case metrics defined & operationalized; systematic collection for all previous cases

Near Future: Diffusion of data internally and externally; Reoccurring public report of findings

Overview: IR Metrics Initiative

What's the current status of this effort?

What's the dataset for this talk?

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Sampling of cases from 2004-Present

High-level caseload statistics and trends from each investigator

Data collection on case backlog: Mostly complete for 2007, Majority for 2006, Partial for 2005 & 2004

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Bottom Line: This is a work in progress but there is more than enough data to support these findings…

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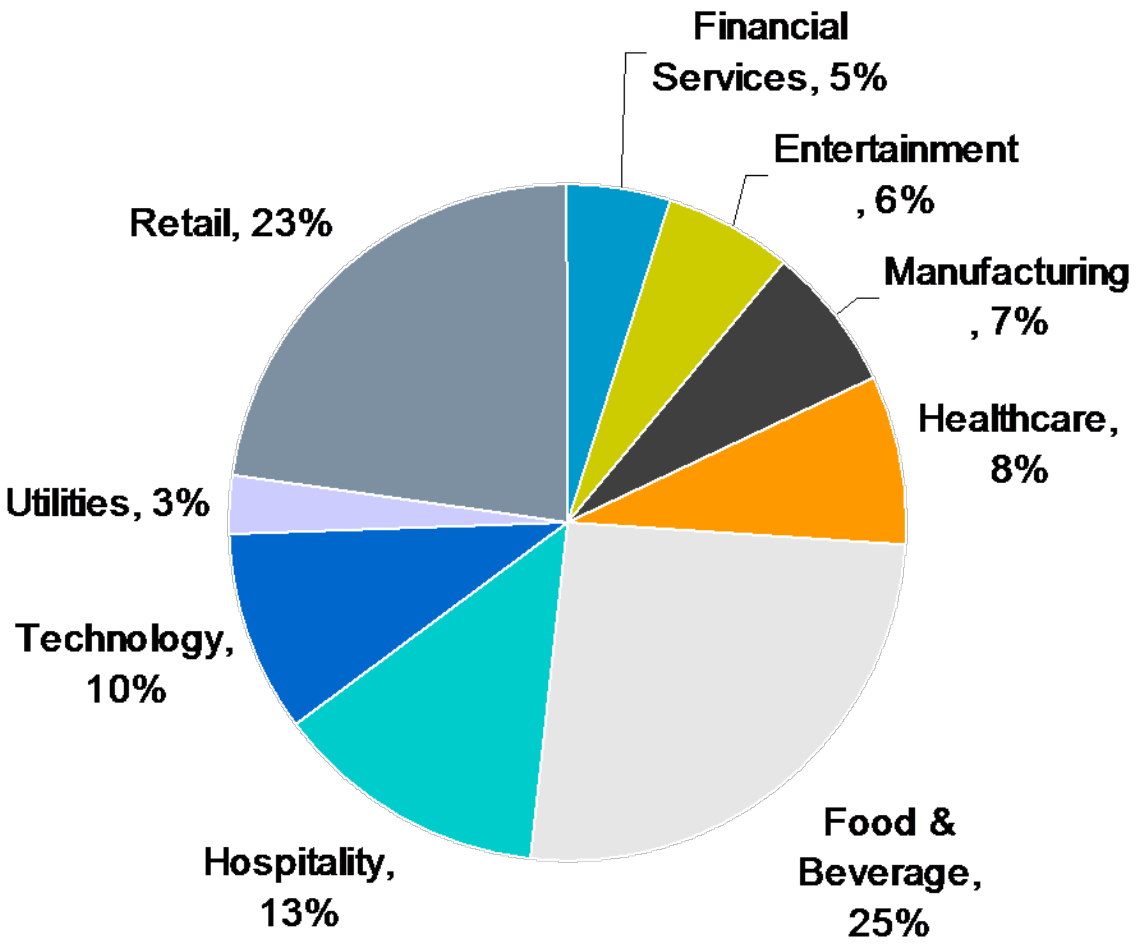

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What is the source of breaches?

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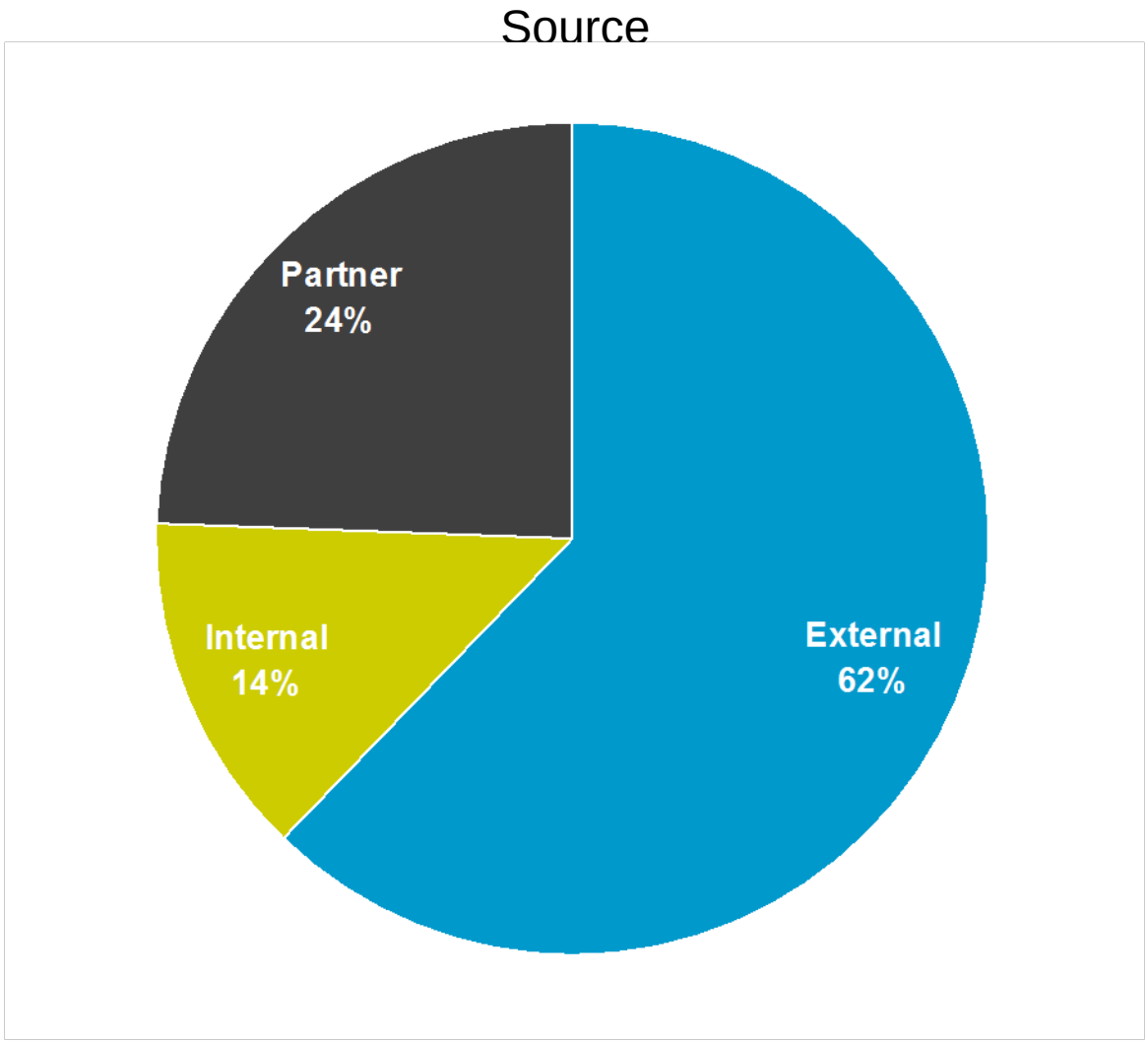

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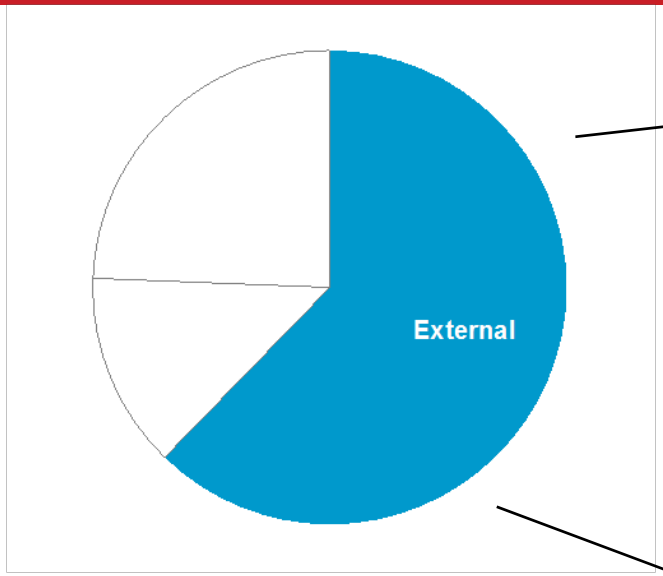

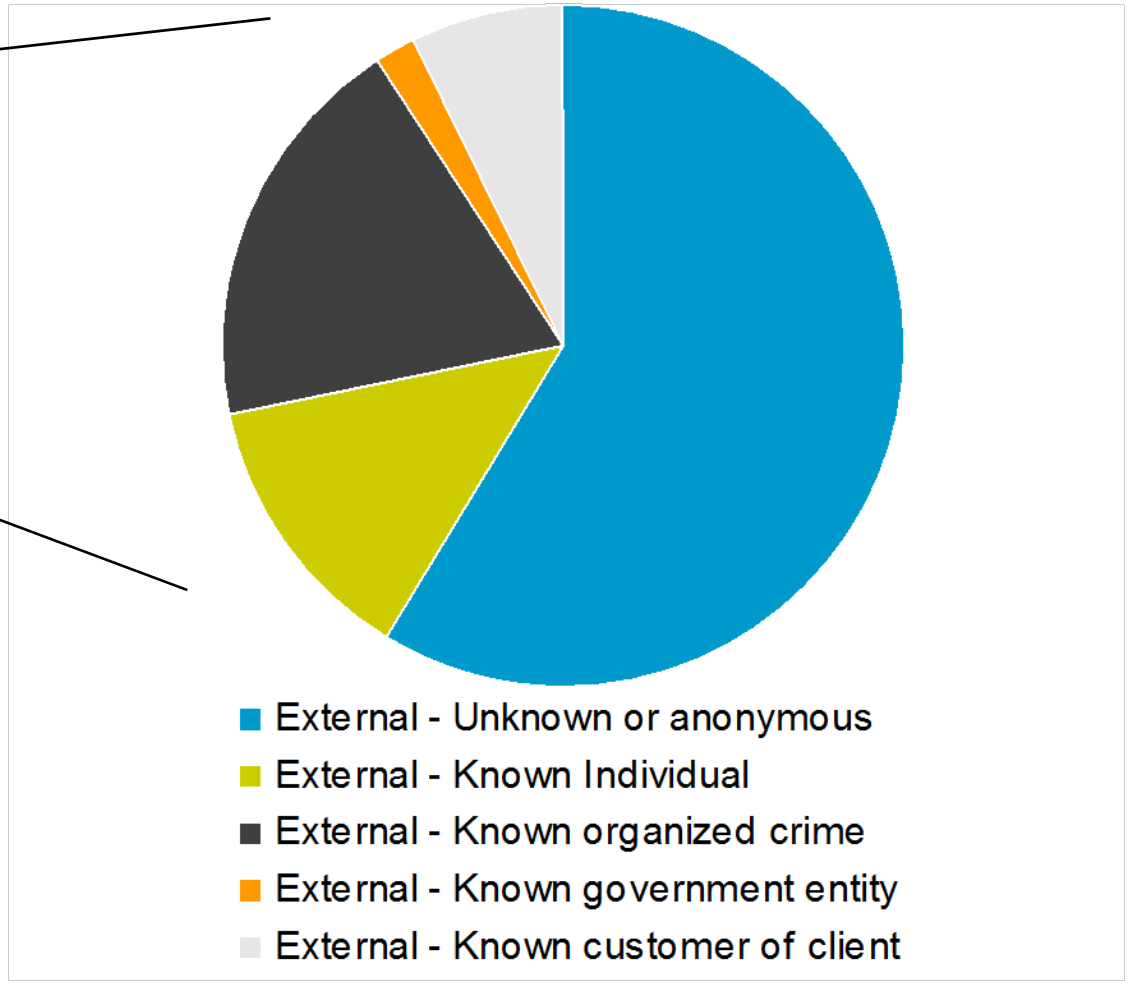

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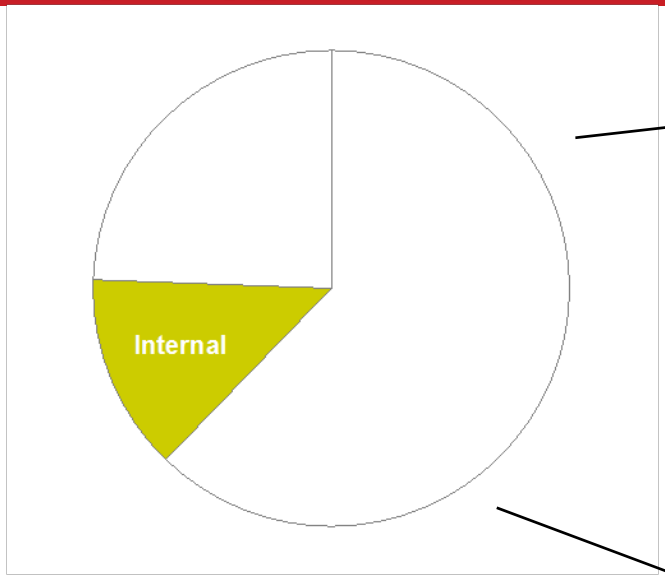

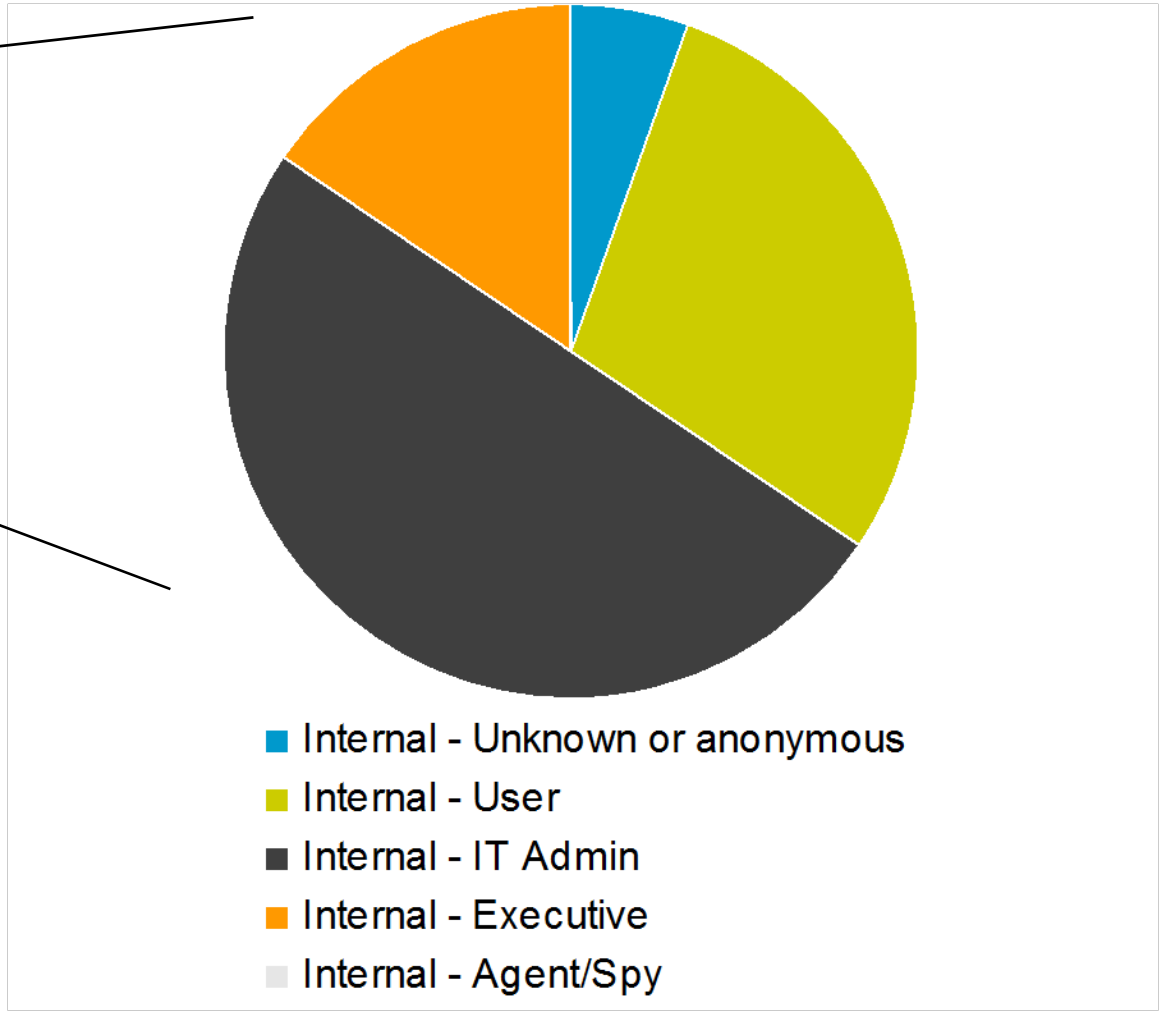

Source: Internal

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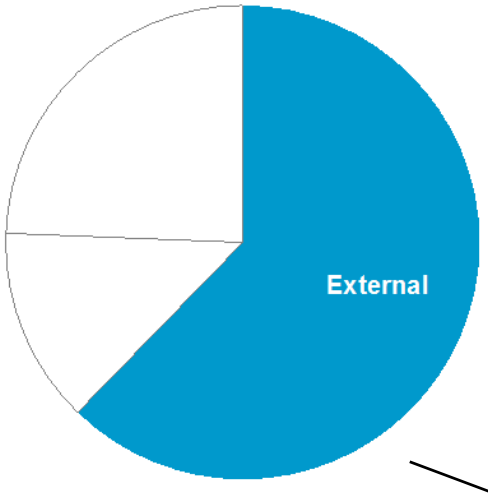

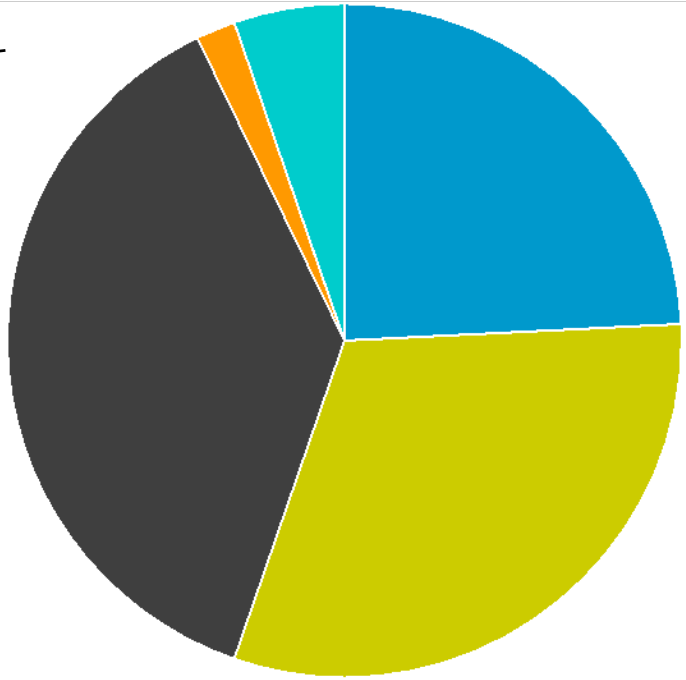

- Partner - Unknown or anonymous
- Partner - User
- Partner - Remote IT Admin
- Partner - Executive
- Partner - Agent/Spy
- Partner - Onsite (i.e., visiting vendor)

Source: Partner

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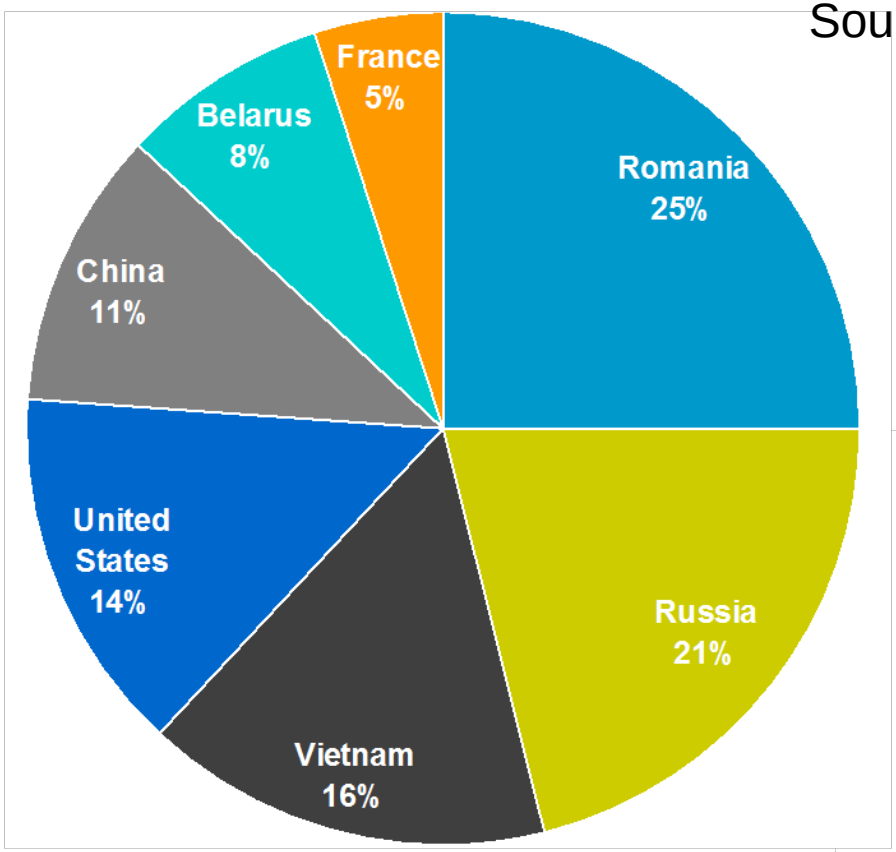

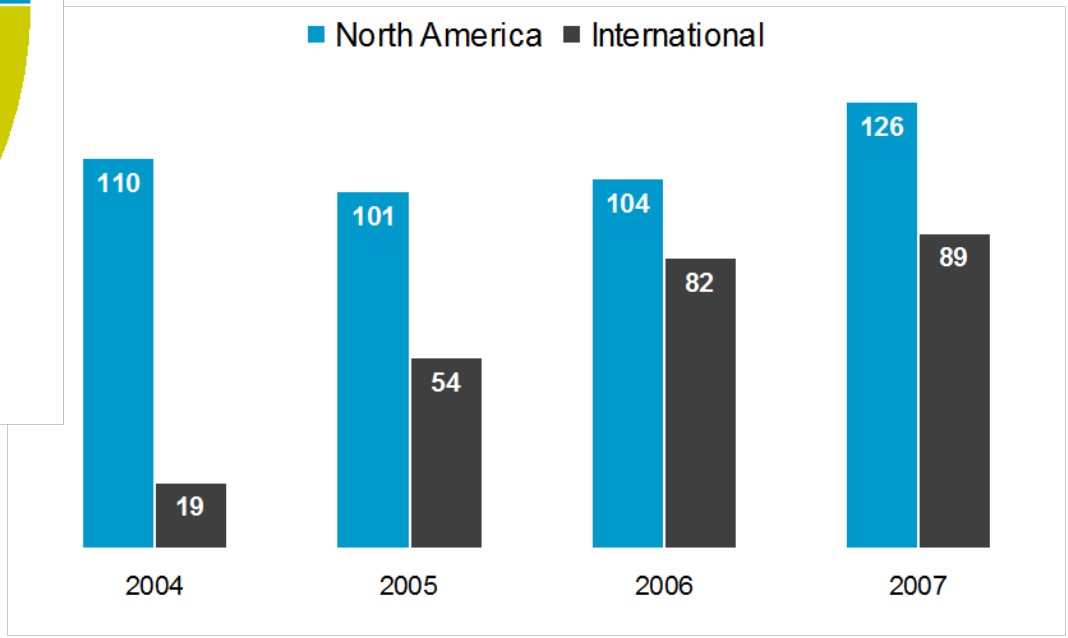

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How do breaches occur?

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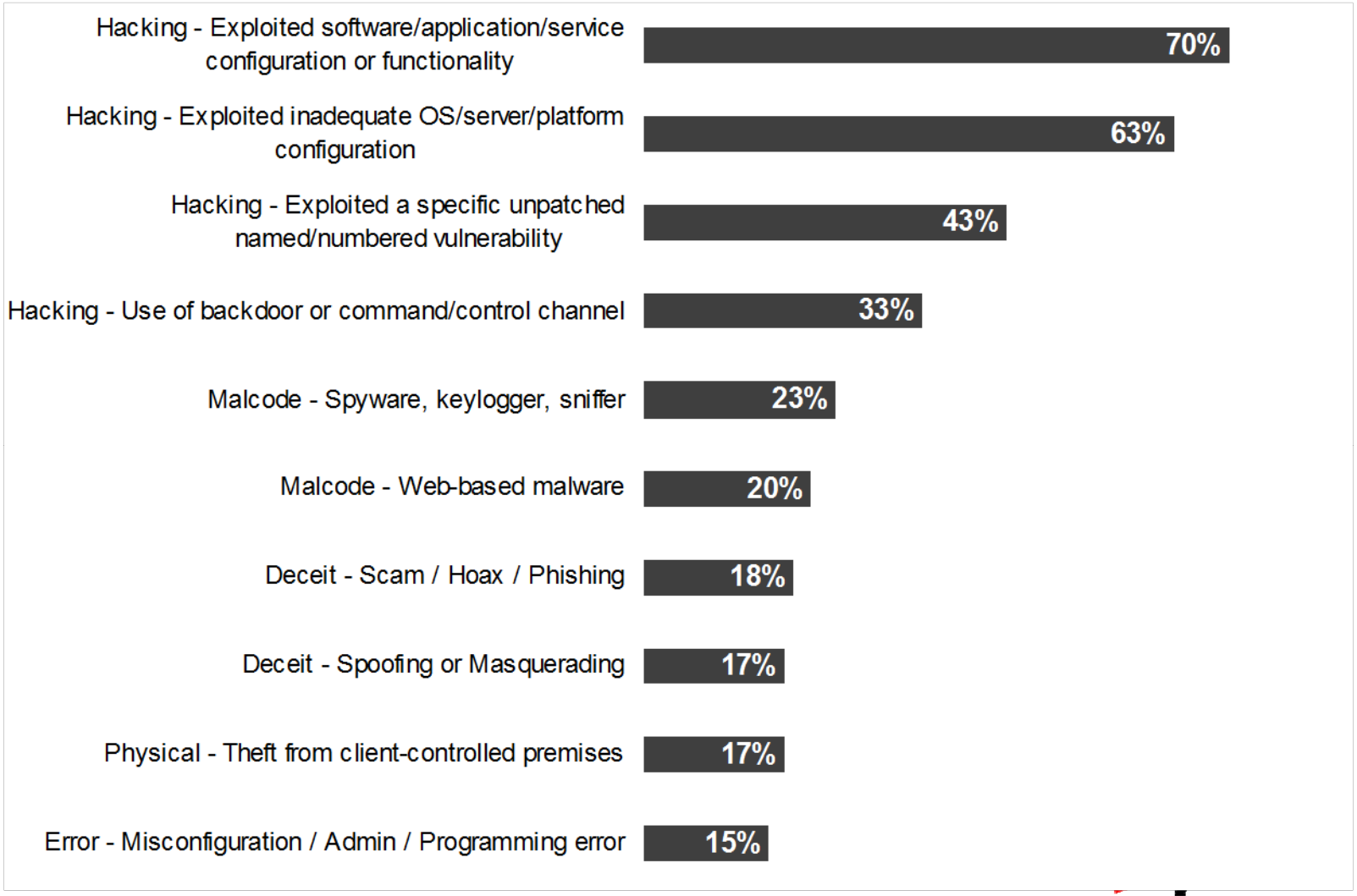
Methods, Top 10



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Methods, Continued

Deceit - Social Engineering	**13%**
Misuse - Non-malicious misuse of corporate resources	**13%**
Malcode - Worm or Virus	**13%**
Error - User error	**13%**
Physical - Wiretapping / Sniffing	**12%**
Misuse - Malicious misuse / abuse of access or privilege	**12%**
Error - Inadvertent disclosure of sensitive data via web	**10%**
Physical - Theft from external location	**8%**
Error - Technical / system failure	**8%**
Physical - Loss or misplacement of asset	**7%**
Physical - System access or tampering	**7%**

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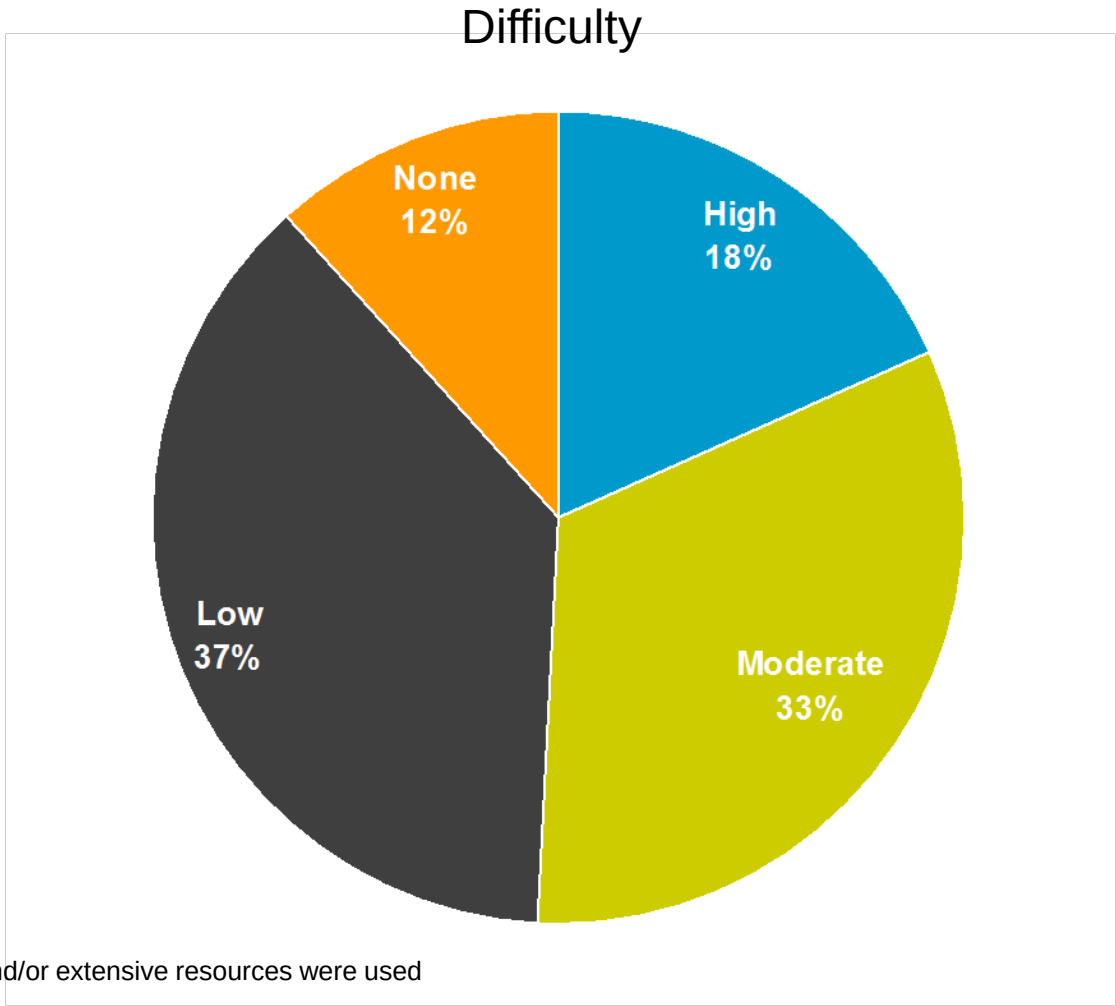

High - Advanced skills and/or extensive resources were used

Moderate - The attack involved skilled attacks and/or significant resources

Low - Low-level skills and/or resources were used. Automated tools and Script Kiddies

None - No special skills or resources were used. The average user could have done it

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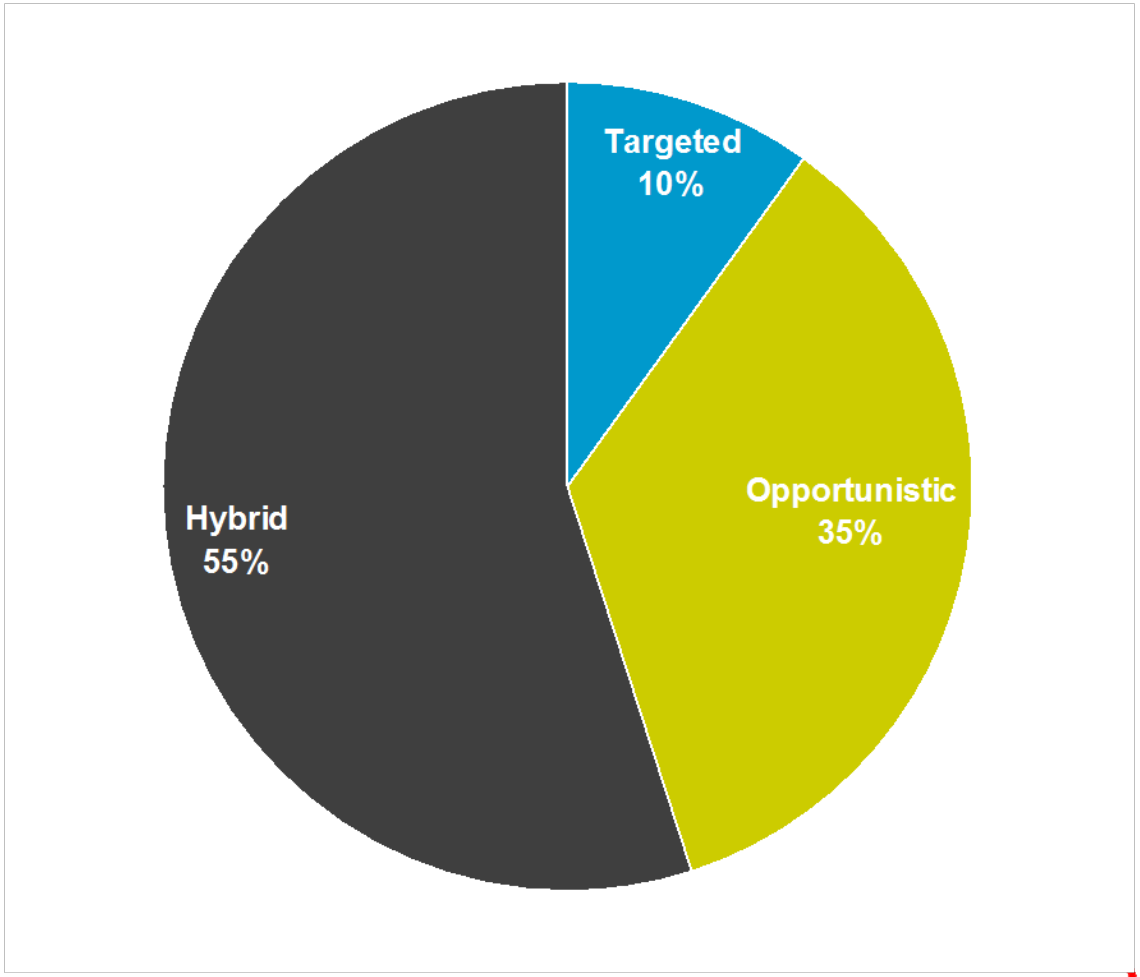
Targeted vs Opportunistic



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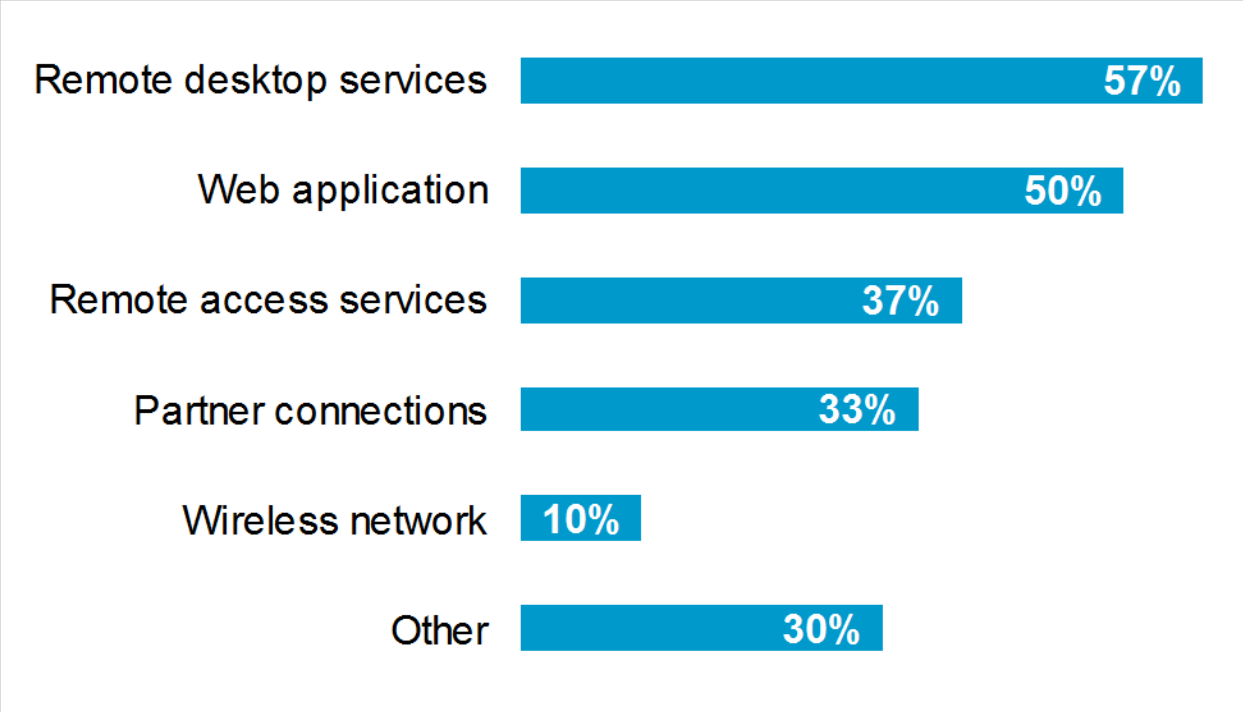

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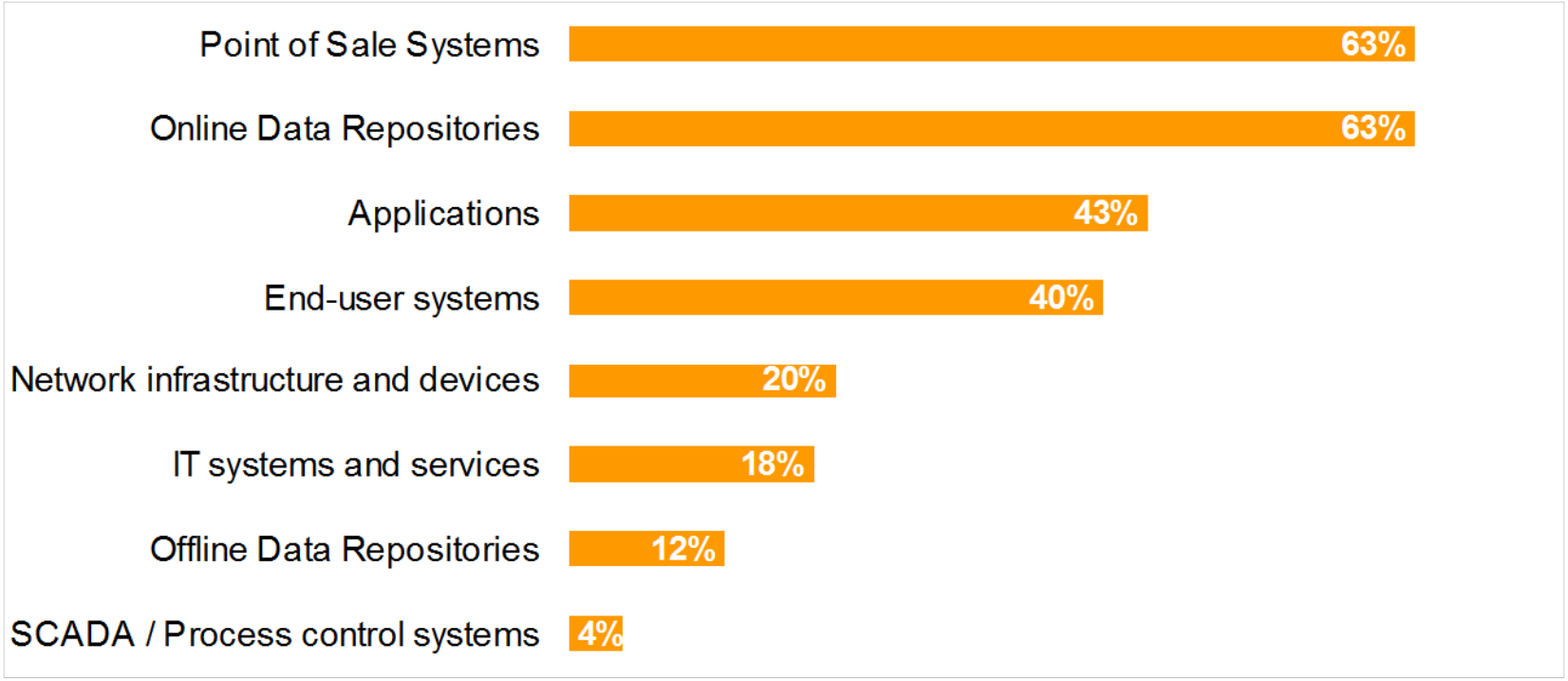
Compromised Asset



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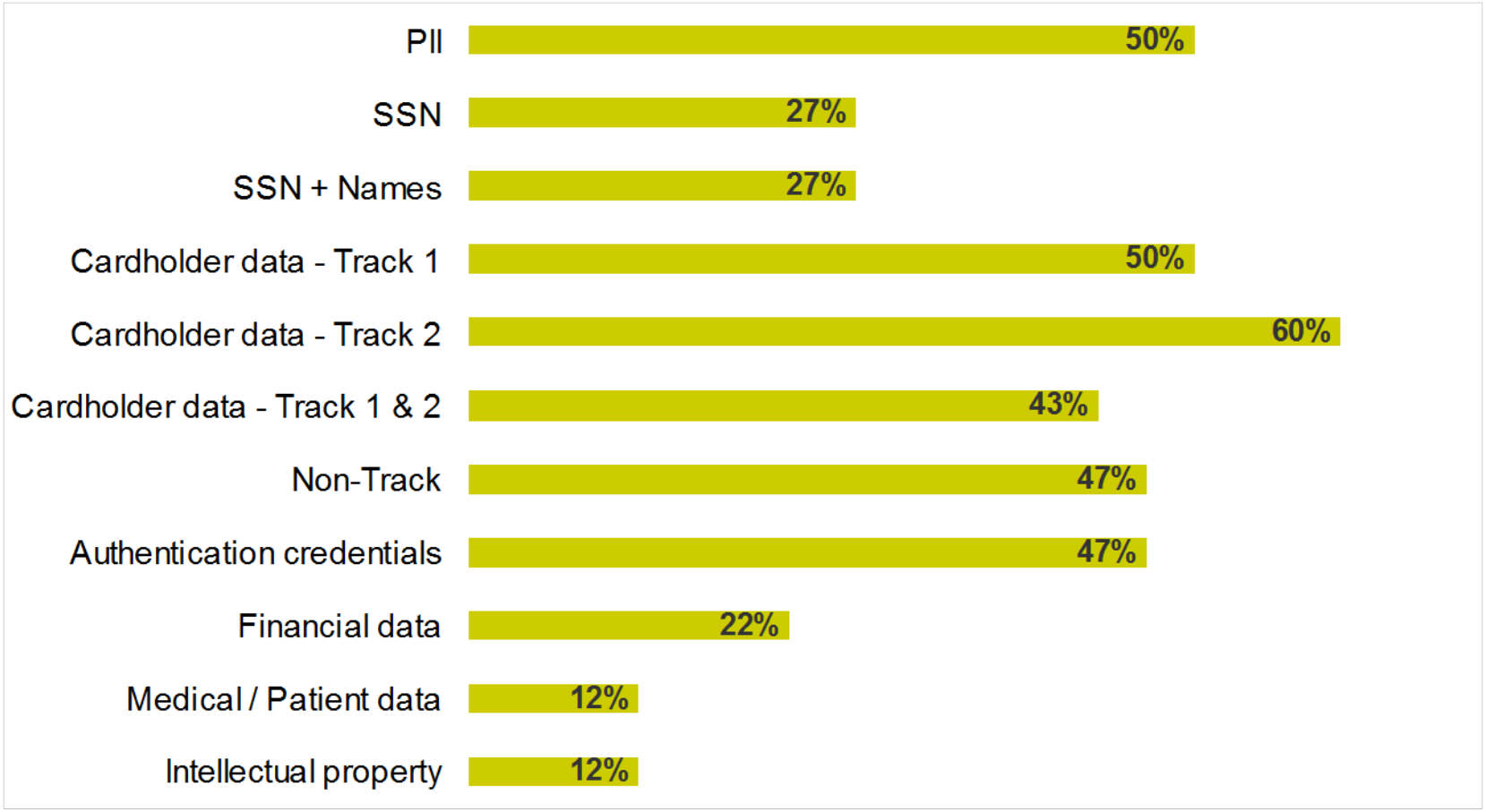

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Time Span

Point of entry to compromise = ~**Hours**

Compromise to discovery = ~**Months**

Discovery to mitigation = ~**Weeks**

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How are breaches discovered?

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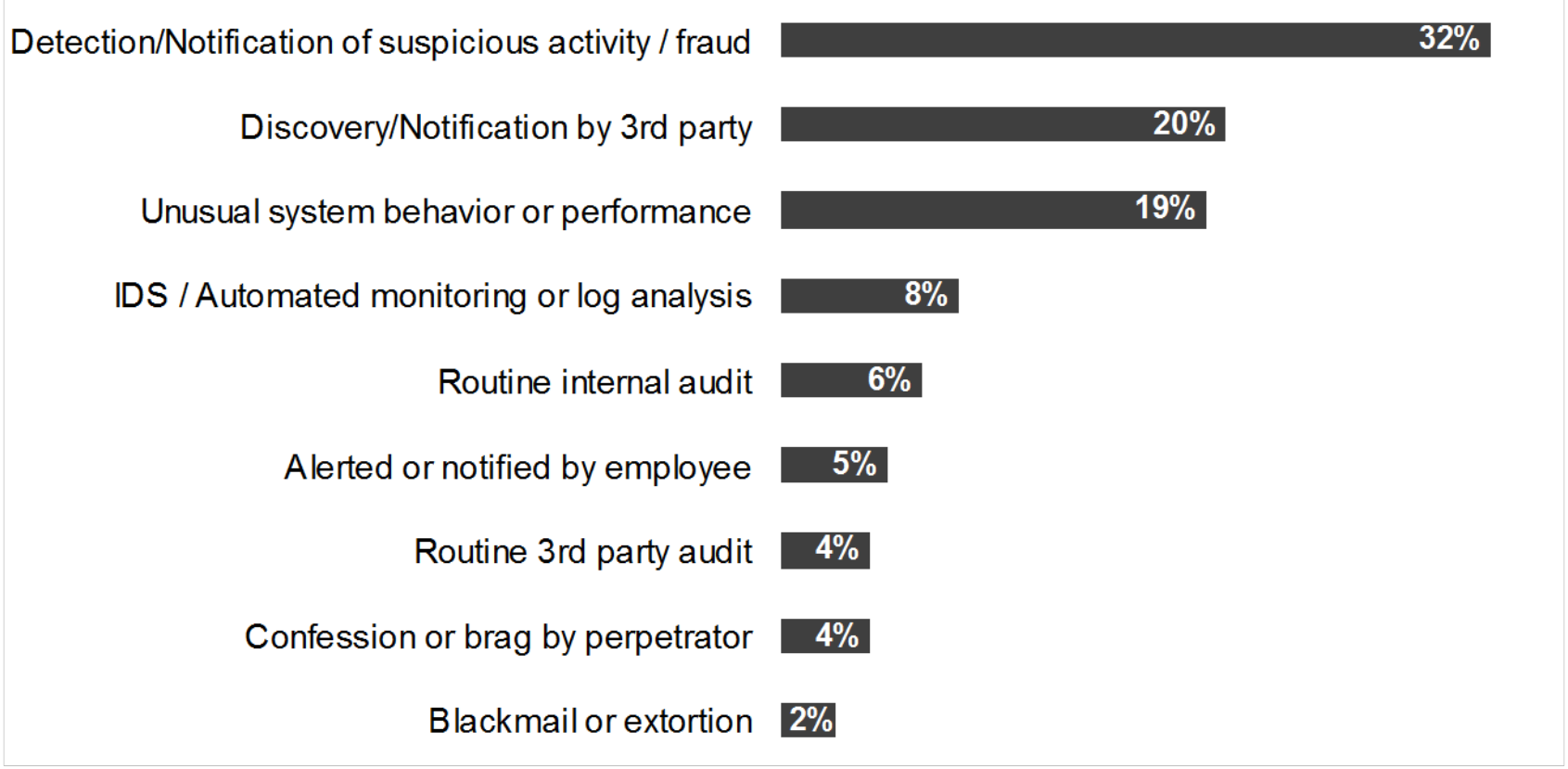
Incident Discovery



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Anti-forensics

Q4 2006 = **14%** of cases

Q4 2007 = **67%** of cases

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Can breaches be prevented?

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Yes.

87% of incidents could have been avoided through the use of "due diligence" or "reasonable" security controls.

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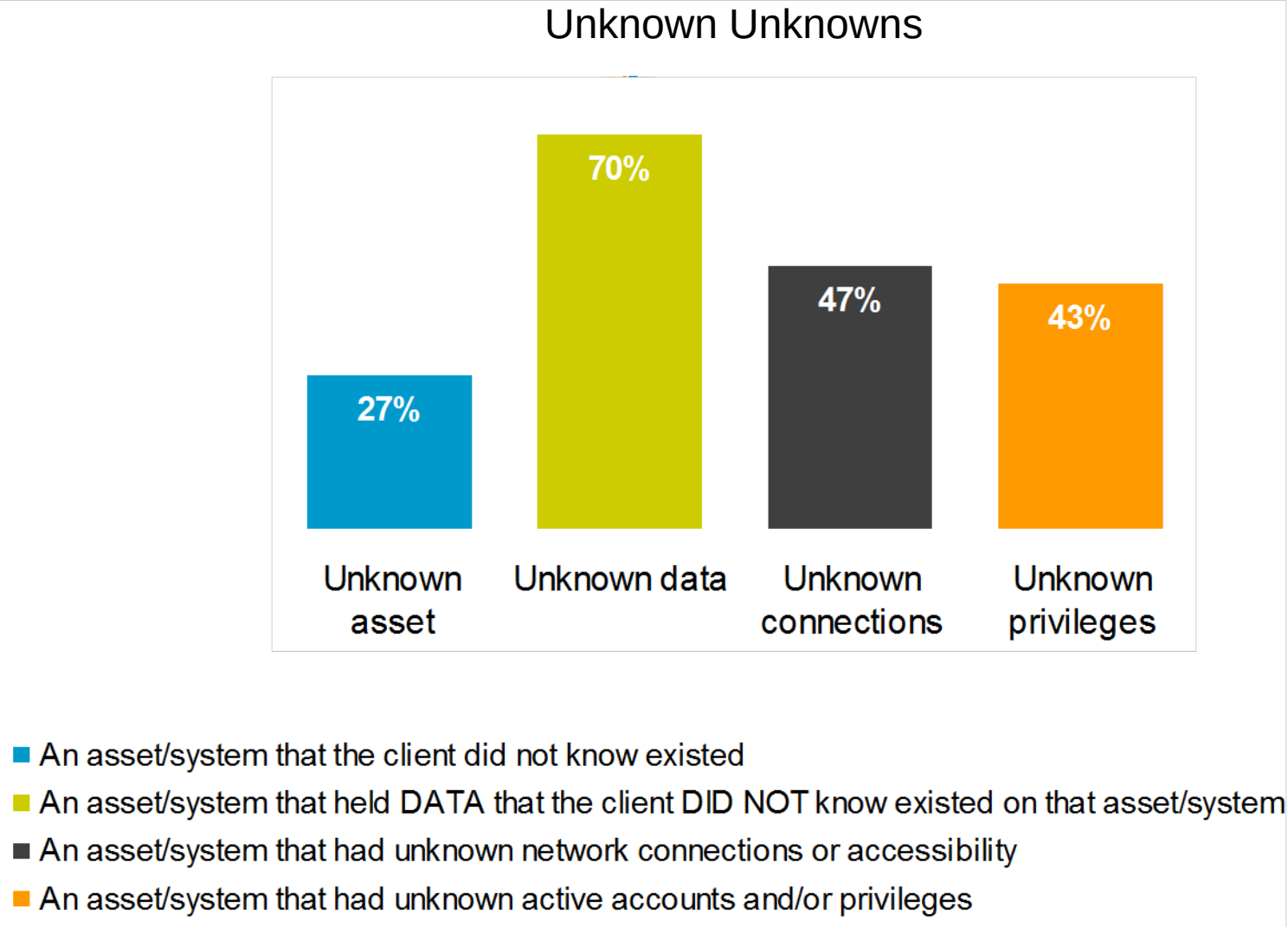

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Asset / Data discovery & classification	70%
Software / App development standards	57%
Minimization or removal of replicated data	52%
Identity Management	50%
More restrictive access privileges	50%
Firewalls / Routers configured for default-deny	47%
Network segmentation or zoning	47%
More consistent vulnerability patching	47%
System hardening / minimal config	47%
Disk Encryption	47%
IDS / Network monitoring	43%

% of cases that would likely have been prevented (or at least substantially mitigated) if the control had been in place (or of better quality) at the time of the attack

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Intrusion Prevention System	40%
User awareness & training	40%
Checks to identify technical non-compliance	40%
Data Loss Prevention / Content filtering	30%
Client / personal firewall	30%
Antivirus software	23%
Physical security controls	13%
Anti-Spyware	13%
USB Blocking	8%
More frequent vulnerability patching	2%

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