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IT Security in the New Normal

- Recap of major events
- State of security update
- Improving your security posture
- The new normal
- Q & A
- Adopt Technologies Overview

Major Incidents in 2020

- **SolarWinds -** Supply Chain Attack
  - Attackers breached systems and injected malicious code into a patch for widely deployed software
  - Affected Microsoft, US Department of Defense, Cisco, SAP, Intel, Cox Communications, Deloitte, Nvidia and 18,000 other companies
- **Twitter –** Spear Phishing and Social Engineering
  - Major accounts compromised to promote Bitcoin scam
    - Affected accounts of Apple, Uber, Bill Gates, Elon Musk, Jeff Bezos, Warren Buffett, Kanye West and Floyd Mayweather, Michael Bloomberg and Presidents Obama and Biden
- **Marriott -** Hacking
  - 5.2 million records
- **MGM Resorts -** Hacking
  - 10.6 million records
- **California University –** Ransomware
  - Paid $1.14 million ransom
- **Tillamook County –** Ransomware
  - Impact: 250 county employees and 25,000 citizens records affected; $300,000 paid for ransom.

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Cares Act Fraud

- Grant Fraud
  - PPP claims

- Unemployment Fraud
  - Assume your Pii is compromised and available online

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Top 5 Crime Type Comparison – Incidents Last Five Years

IC3 Complaint Stats – Last Five Years - FBI iC3 (Internet Crime Complaint Center)

Cybersecurity Spending from 2017 to 2021

Business Email Compromise (BEC)

- $1.8 billion in losses in 2020
  - More than doubled over previous years
- Social engineering
- Appears to be coming form legitimate source
  - Requesting W-2's
  - Redirecting of payment for bills or large transactions
- Can only be addressed by training at the end user level
- Requests or changes to transactions must be confirmed directly – not over email/text
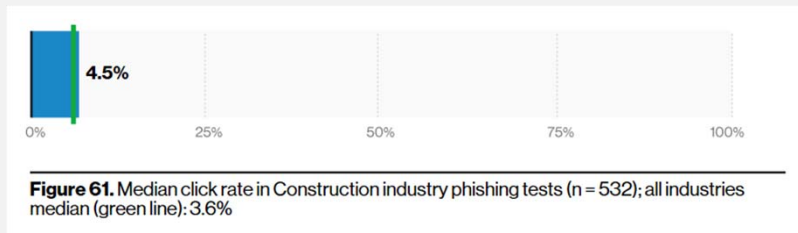
Cost of a data breach in 2020 (IBM)

- Average US company data breach cost $8.64 million

- Average time to identify and contain a breach – 280 days

- According to the National Cybersecurity Alliance, 10% of small businesses that had a data breach shut down.

- According to Cybersecurity Ventures, the costs of cybercrime is estimated to hit $10.5 Trillion USD annually by 2025

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Incident and Breach Breakdown and Attack Vector (Verizon)

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Construction Industry Click Rate in Phishing Tests – 2020 (Verizon)

4.5%

0% 25% 50% 75% 100%

Figure 61. Median click rate in Construction industry phishing tests (n = 532); all industries median (green line): 3.6%

It only takes one click from one user one time

Construction Industry Risk

• The costs of dealing with the failure of security or breach of privacy, including notification, ransom payment, forensics, legal services, data restoration and lost income through business interruption.

• Breach of confidential business information, though storing and sharing bid and project data/specifications, owner's processes and project management.

• Unauthorized access and interference with project plant, data and specifications in SCADA and Building Information Modeling (BIM).

• Bodily injury and property damage through the failure of IoT, robotics and remote control of processes and physical security.

• Liability for delay and business interruption caused by unauthorized access to project data and systems

Who and Why?

- Nation States and organized crime – blurred lines
- Individuals – Financially motivated – Ransomware as a Service

  - Pii
  - Financial Gain
    - Intercept payments
    - Wire fraud
    - HR fraud
  - Gain access to networks
    - Steal privileged information
    - Ransomware
  - Political Influence – destabilize nations
    - Cyberwarfare
    - Disrupt Infrastructure
  - Spread to perpetuate

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Prepare and Defend

- Build a human firewall!
- Mandatory ongoing training and testing
  - Training should be customized for Finance, C-Level and end users
- Minimize the amount of potentially malicious content before it gets to end users (layered approach)
  - Enterprise email filtering
  - Robust Firewalls with active subscriptions to block access to harmful content
  - Multiple layers of filtering 3
- MFA (multi-factor authentication) everywhere
- Monitoring
  - Early detection of malicious activity with robust logging to audit
- Air gapped and tested full backups for seamless recovery

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Social Engineering Red Flags

The New Normal

- Hybrid remote work
  - Not new for construction industry

- Vulnerable portable devices
  - Harder to secure physically and virtually
  - VPN is clunky
    - Requires user interaction
    - Slow
    - Incomplete

- Modern Options
  - Remote access to hosted systems (Cloud)
  - Complete solutions including MDM and built-in remote access to files and applications

CIS (Center for Internet Security) Top 20 Controls

Resources

https://www.isaca.org/resources/news-and-trends/industry-news/2020/top-cyberattacks-of-2020-and-how-to-build-cyberresiliency

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