**Cybersecurity**

**What does it do?**

As stated by (Kaspersky, n.d) Cybersecurity is the implementations to defend computers, servers, mobile devices, electronic systems, networks, and data from malicious attacks. It has numerous categories and in practice is the security systems in place that protects any electronic device.

Technology is growing in all forms and is a key to future development but with this brings new security challenges. With new programs and technology being introduced at an exponential rate the ways in which can be compromised is also continuing.

In its current state we have access to numerous safeguards such as Data Loss Prevention, IDS, IPS, SIEM, Firewalls and Antivirus. Many of which have updates on weekly/daily bases to keep up with the ever-changing technology they are protecting. Along with these the two-factor authentication has been an important introduction to securing many accounts.

According to some the future holds many more regulations introduced by local and state governments to help prevent the risk by standardizing the safeguards that need to be in place. In terms of technology Forbes states (chuck brooks, 2020) the introduction of AI is said to be the future, with the main focus on Machine Learning. It is stated that the technology will rely on rapid automation of predictive analytics, which in sense will be the fastest way to identify new cyber-attacks, draw statistical inferences, and push that information to endpoint security platforms. Amongst other key notes I believe the use of AI to integrate SOAR or security orchestration automation and response into a single interface which will allow security staff a faster more accurate way to process the large volumes of data to prevent or stop attacks that may be coming or are currently underway.

Apart from the introduction of AI there is also talks of Biometrics, The world economic forum (William Dixon, 2019) states that there is expert consensus that a three-factor authentication will be the best option ‘Know’ (password), ‘have’ (token) and ‘are’ (biometrics). With this also brings new threats of exploitation, with the use of fingerprints, eye scans, and voice as all these will need to be stored and the more information that is stored the more that can be stolen.

As stated previously there are many safeguards to help in the world of cybersecurity, Current technologies in more detail as listed by Educba (2020).

Data Loss Prevention  
This Validates the data sent from organizations/persons not of a sensitive nature. It scans all outgoing data to ensure it is appropriate and something that is not confidential

Intrusion Detection System (IDS)  
This technology monitors all incoming traffic to organizations/persons to ensure that it is not of a malicious context.

Intrusion Prevention System (IPS)  
This Technology is that which acts against traffic that is deemed malicious by the IDS. It usually drops the packets of information incoming so they cannot enter the organizations system.

Security Incident and Event Management (SIEM)  
This technology is used as a reporting and an alarm system, Other tools integrate with this technology to ensure that whenever a breach has been detected it is known to a security team.

Firewall  
The firewall is the first layer of protection on any system or network, it comes in many types depending on the role that is required of it. It makes sure that the internal network is protected from unusual/malicious traffic cannot enter.

Antivirus  
As name states it indicates a virus and removes it based on a repository of signatures present in the coding. Needs to be kept up to date to keep all signatures on record to detect the newest of threats.

**What is the likely impact?**

The impact of this development is huge as it has already been seen with the implementation of varying technologies. If it does not keep up with technology being made you could see some science fiction coming to life and even in the smallest sense identifications that can no longer be confirmed.

The things most likely to change is further encryption and making items more secure. As we have seen with development over its time the technology has increased and so has the need to secure them. As it is the blueprints that can enable the good and remove the bad from new innovational development it will always be the top priority for anything technologically based.

Anyone that uses any technology that shares data will be affected by the use of cybersecurity. According to Cybersecurity Ventures (2019) (Steve Morgan, 2019) - it is predicted that the number of humans on the internet will triple from 2015 to 2022 and reach 6 billion, and by 2030 will increase to 7.5 billion. Another key statistic is that hackers attack every 39 secs, on average 2,244 times a day (University of Maryland). So, with the increase in use of the internet and data being stored there will be an increase in people trying to access this data therefore the need for cyber security will also have to increase.

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics the rate of growth for jobs in IT security is projected at 37% and according to Institute of data Australia is currently short of 2300 workers in cyber security, with an expected demand of at least 17,600 additional professionals in the sector by 2026. So, the furthering of cybersecurity will create more jobs in the coming years new ways of protection of data may be discovered and some technologies may become redundant.

**How will it affect you?**

This will affect me in numerous ways as It will with a lot of others. With the Digital age and the way a lot of companies are going with online bookings and recorded data we hope that what we input is secure. If cyber security fails to keep up with demand many will lose identities, money and possibly their minds. On a personal note the increase in need is a good outcome as I wish to get into the field of cybersecurity. On the downside to it all unless there are miraculous improvements nothing will ever be 100% secure so the chances that something bad will occur will always be a likelihood.

The difference it has made for me is that I am always cautious as to what information I have inputted or sent out. It has come to the state that I have made a fake profile and email for those systems that I do not find a necessity however ask for certain information.

This will affect my friends and family the most as without the study applied to the field they will be at higher risk. I hope a lot of what comes makes it more secure so the use of the internet will not be so much of a risk. I can see as further development of technology occurs the less people may know about it in their later years and if they have no personal interest in IT at all they may not know what puts them at risk. The development of cyber security is just as important to a big company as it is to anyone. The learning curve for how everything is moving even in its current state has been neglected to be taught to the elder generation, so the reliance of programs to automate your security will be the defining factor of how the future turns out.

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