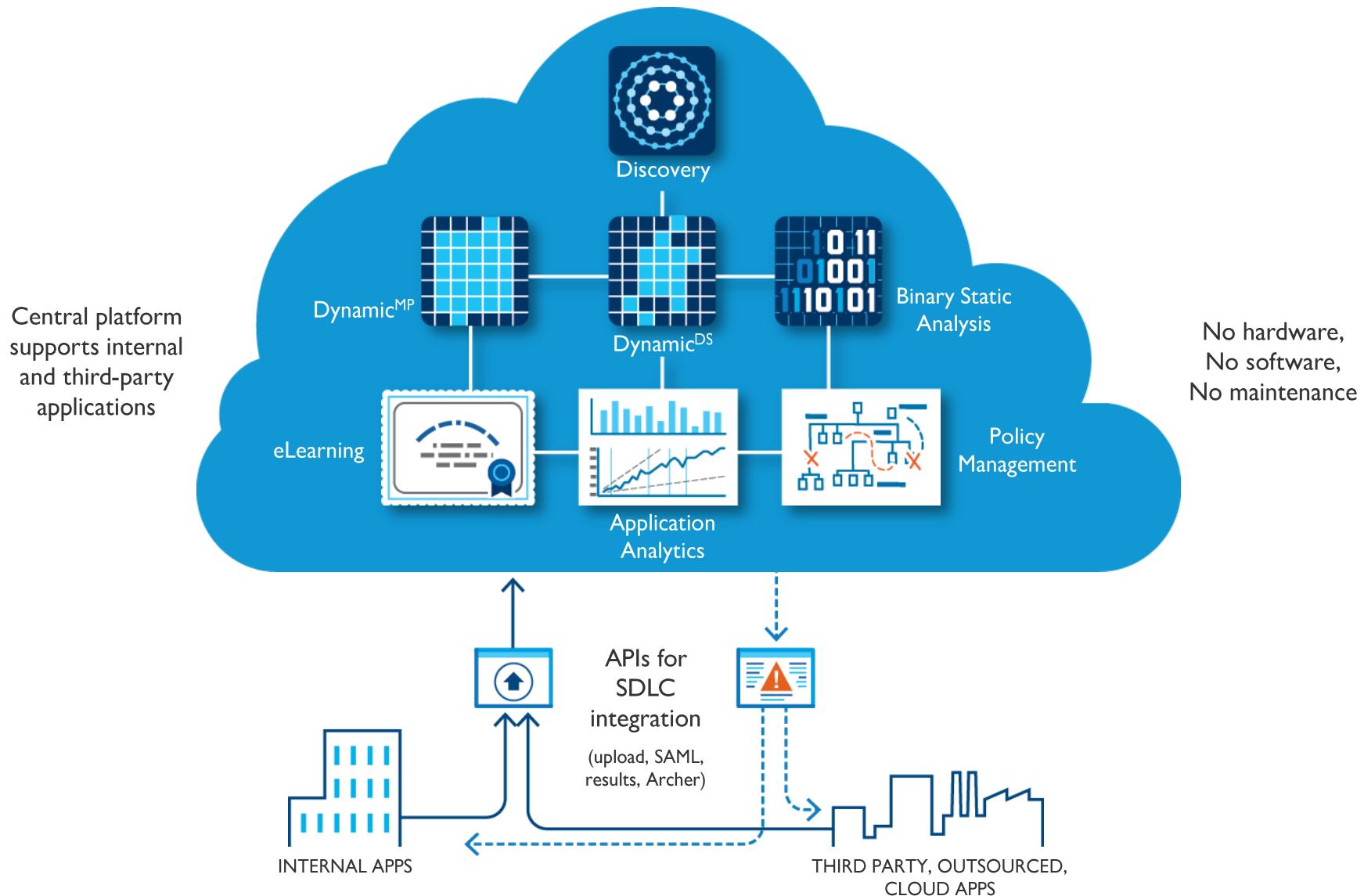




# Data Mining a Mountain of Zero Day Vulnerabilities

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## Application Metadata

- ▶ Industry vertical
- ▶ Supplier (internal, third-party, open source, etc.)
- ▶ Application type
- ▶ Business criticality
- ▶ Language
- ▶ Platform

## Scan Data

- ▶ Scan number
- ▶ Scan date
- ▶ Lines of code

## Enterprise Metrics

- ▶ Flaw counts
- ▶ Flaw percentages
- ▶ Application count
- ▶ Risk-adjusted rating
- ▶ First scan acceptance rate
- ▶ Time between scans
- ▶ Days to remediation
- ▶ Scans to remediation
- ▶ Team comparisons
- ▶ Custom policies
- ▶ PCI-DSS<sup>†</sup>
- ▶ CWE/SANS Top25<sup>†</sup>
- ▶ OWASP Top Ten<sup>†</sup>

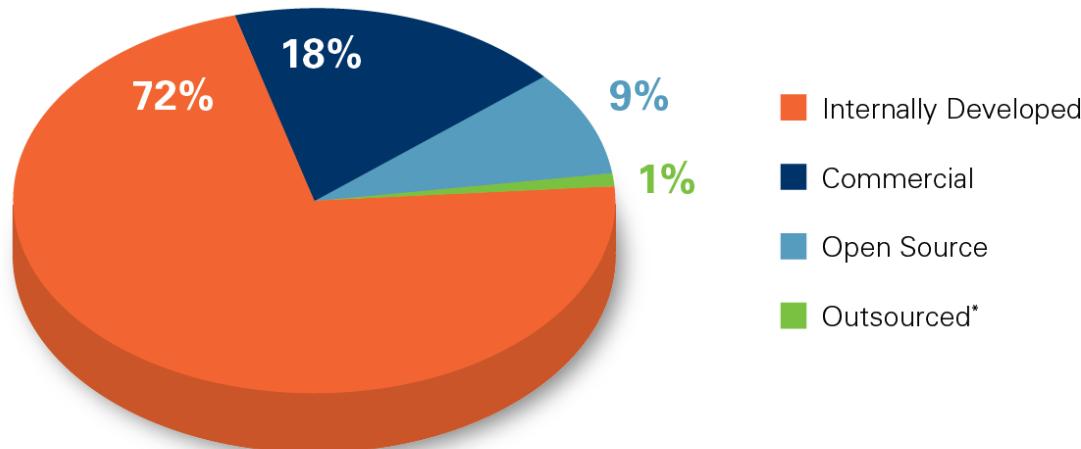
† Pass/Fail only

# The Data Set

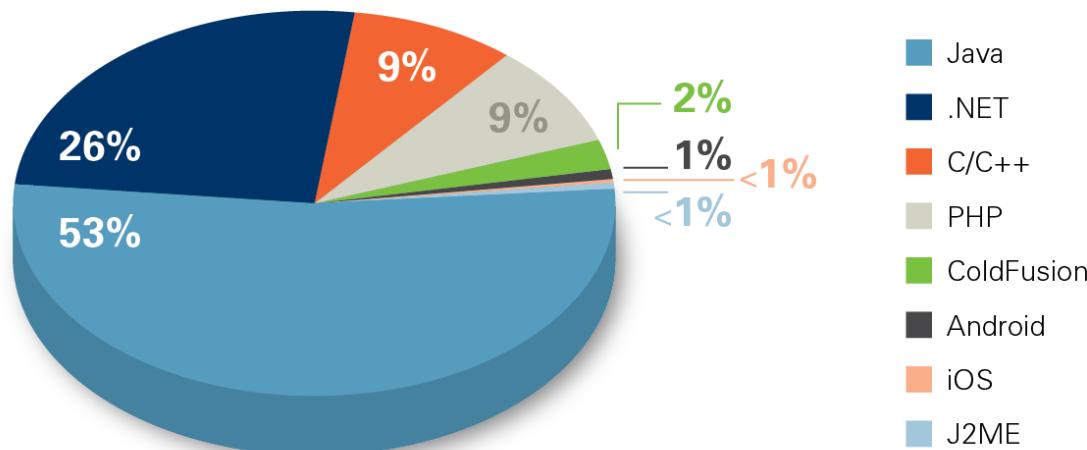
- Applications from over 300 commercial and US government customers
- Scanned 9,910 applications over the past 18 months
- Ranged in size from 100KB to 6GB
- Included both pre-release and production software
- Internally built, outsourced, open source, and commercial ISV code



### Applications by Supplier Type



### Applications by Language Family



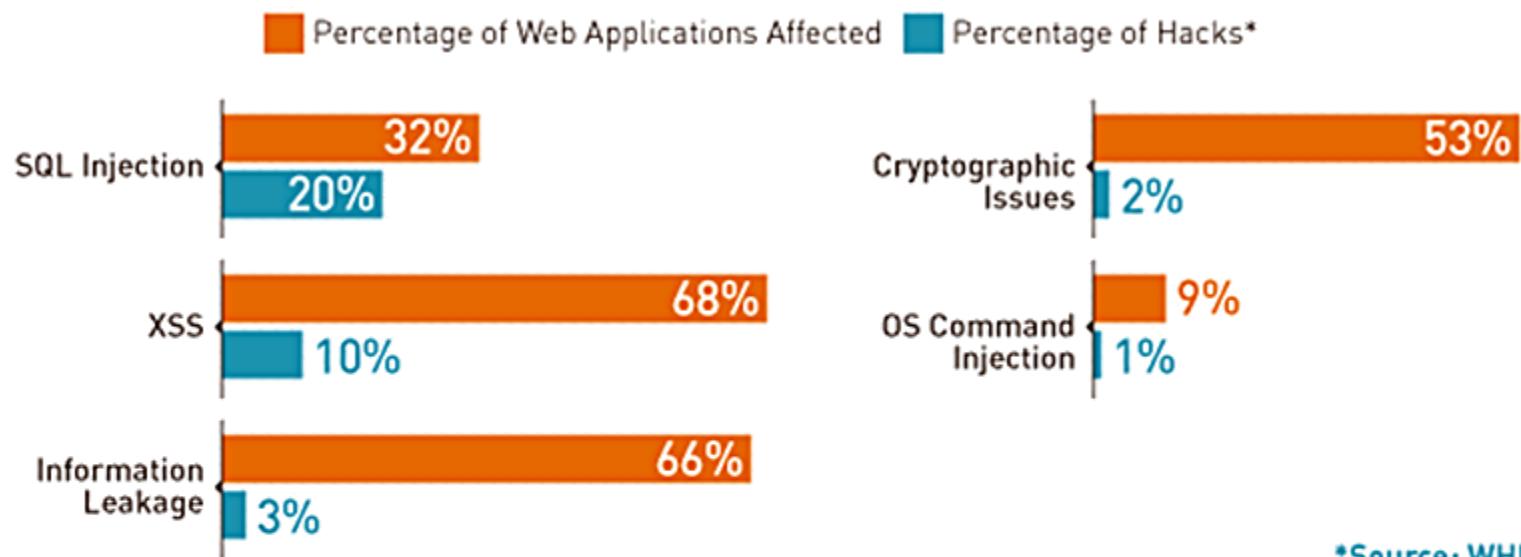
# Caveats

- Customer base is already security-conscious
- Bias toward business critical applications
- Applications are at inconsistent phases in the SDLC
- Not all flaws are necessarily easy to exploit
- Analysis technology is continuously being improved
- All security testing has False Negatives



# THE LATENT VULNERABILITIES VS. THE ATTACKS





\*Source: WHID



While other flaws such as XSS account for a higher volume of findings, SQL injection accounts for 20 percent of hacks.

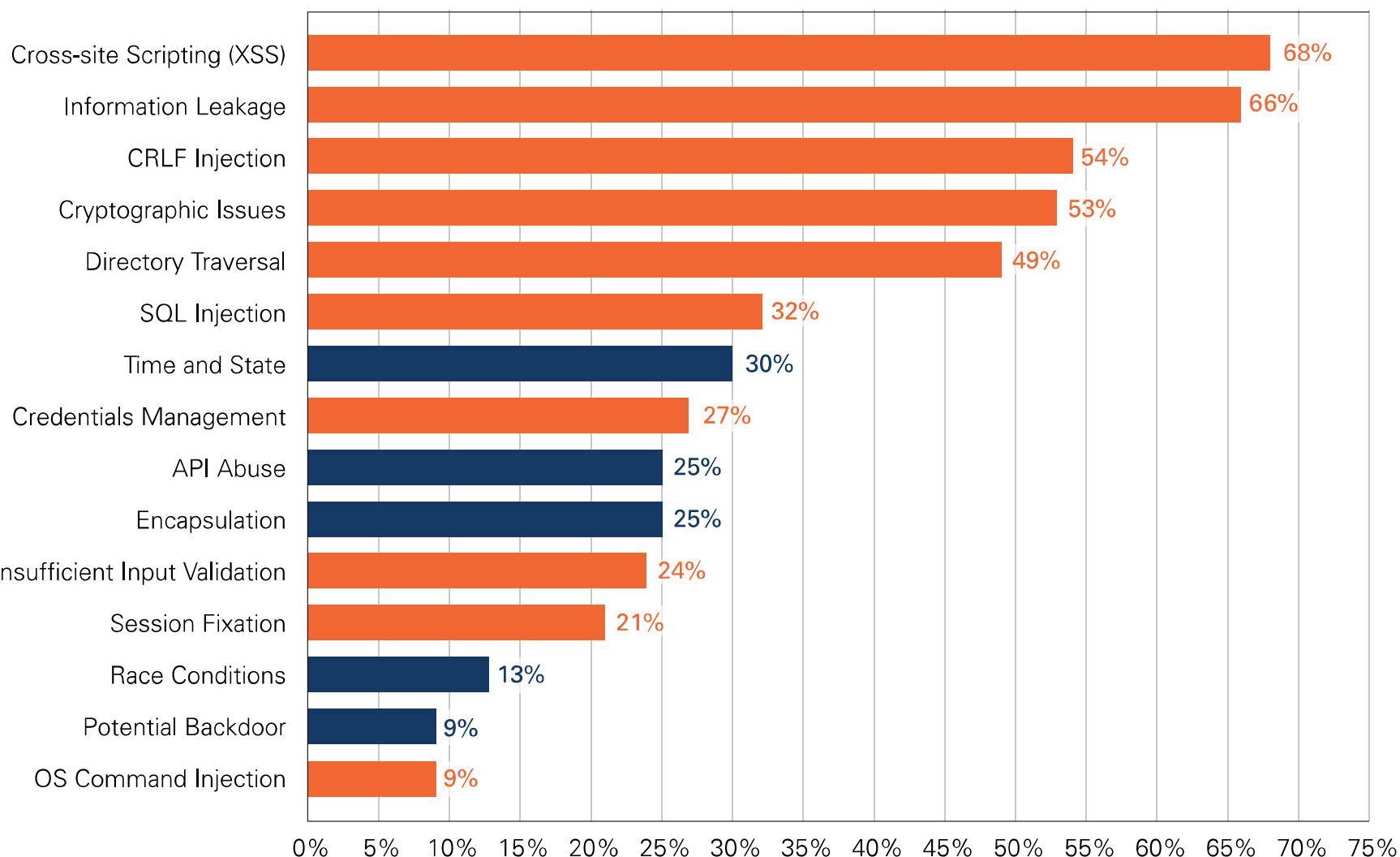
# LET'S TAKE A CLOSER LOOK AT THE NUMBERS



## Top Vulnerability Categories

(Percent of Applications Affected for Web Applications)

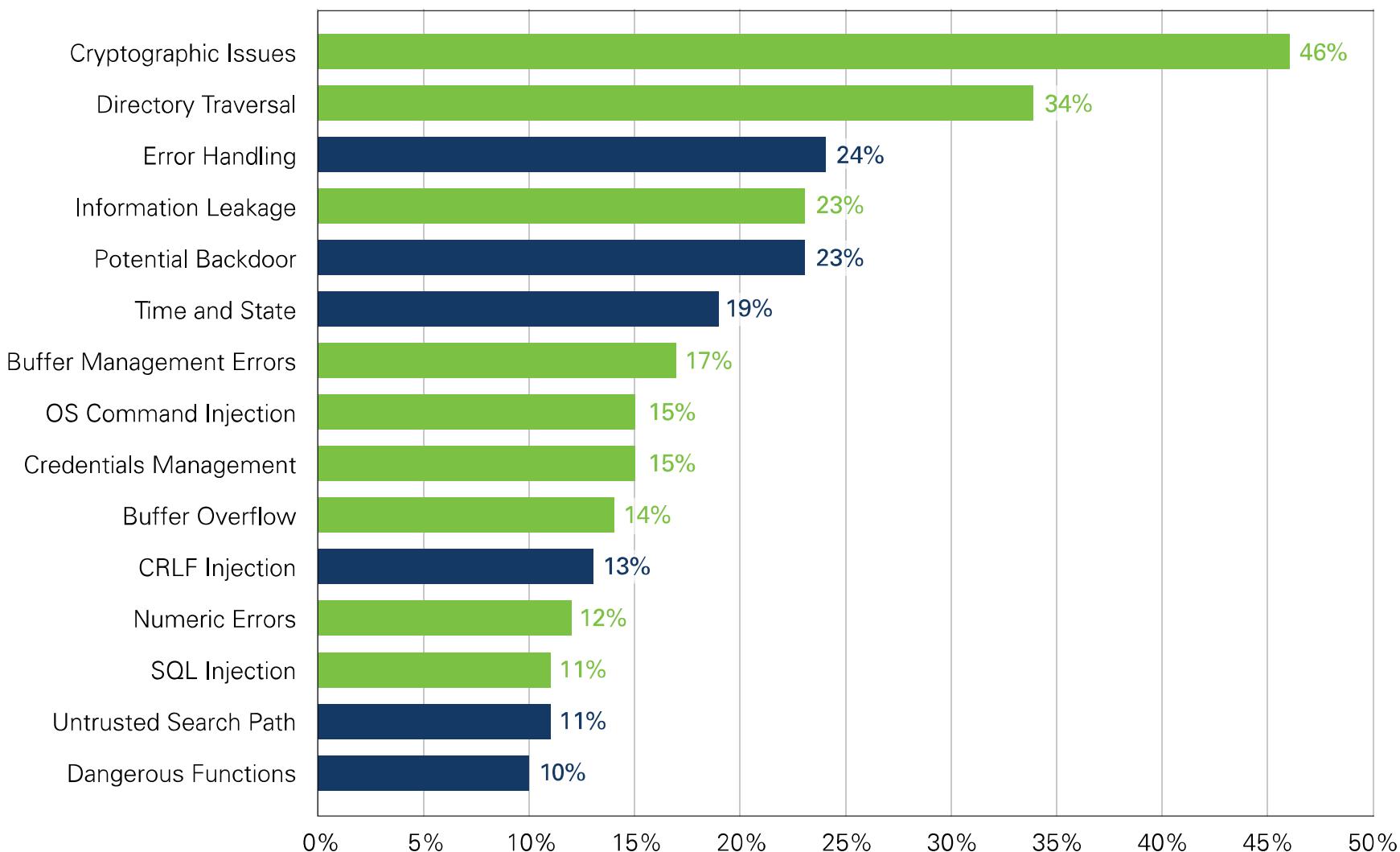
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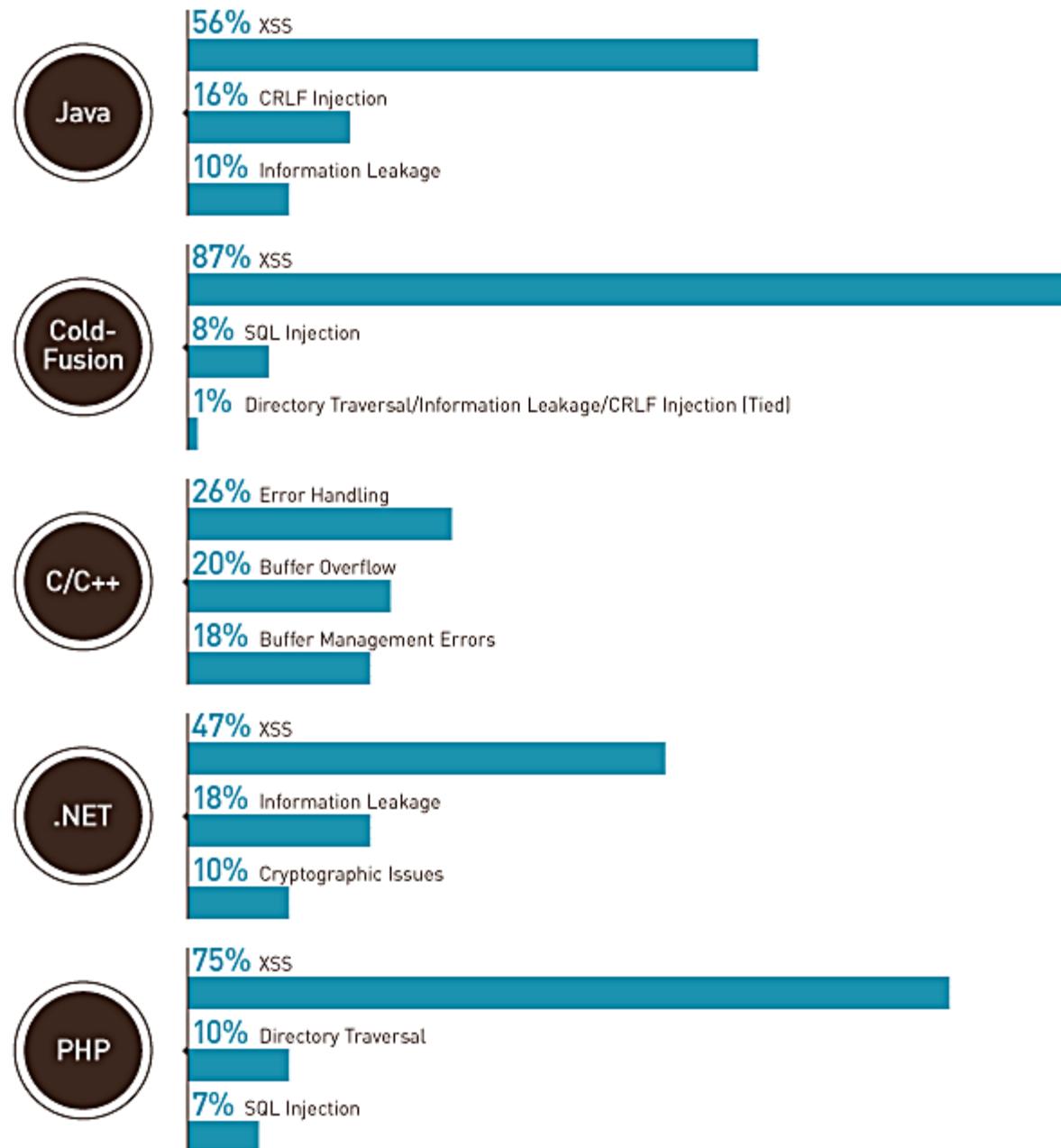


## Top Vulnerability Categories

(Percentage of Applications Affected for Non-Web Applications)

■ Indicate categories that are in the CWE/SANS Top 25



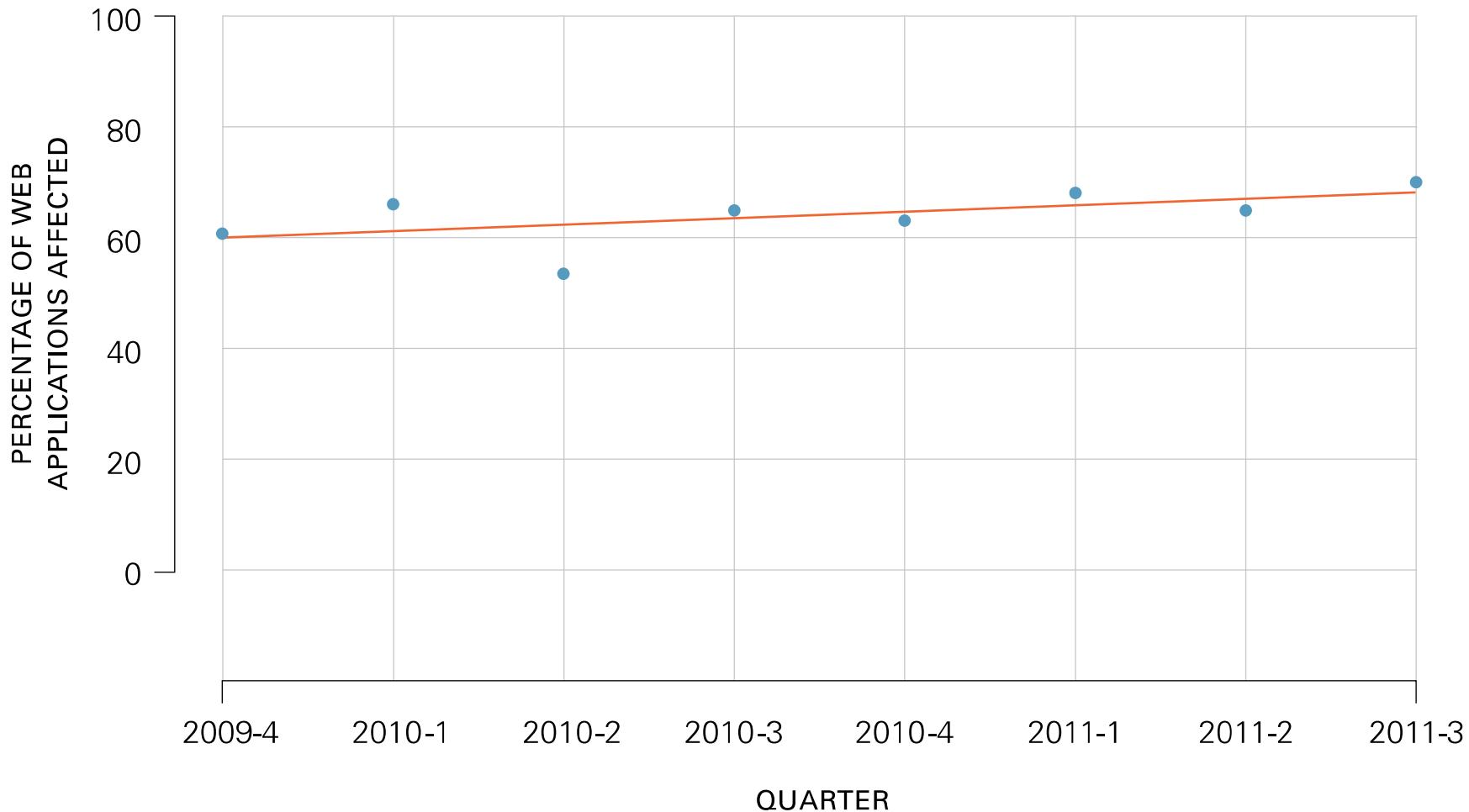


# ARE WE MAKING ANY PROGRESS AT ERADICATING CROSS-SITE SCRIPTING OR SQL INJECTION?



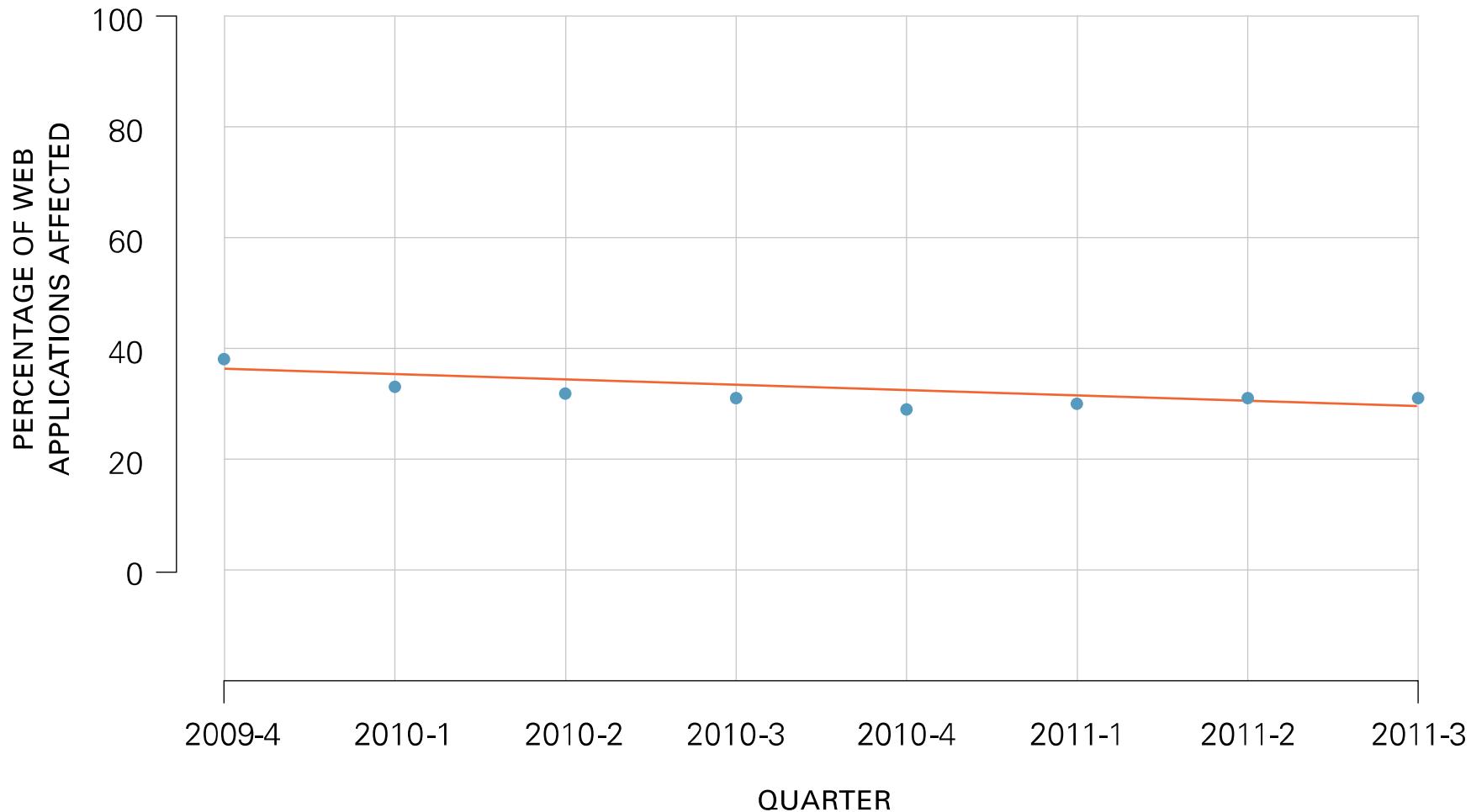
## Quarterly Trend for XSS

pvalue = 0.124: Statistically, the trend is flat.



## Quarterly Trend for SQL Injection

pvalue = 0.048: Statistically, the trend is down.

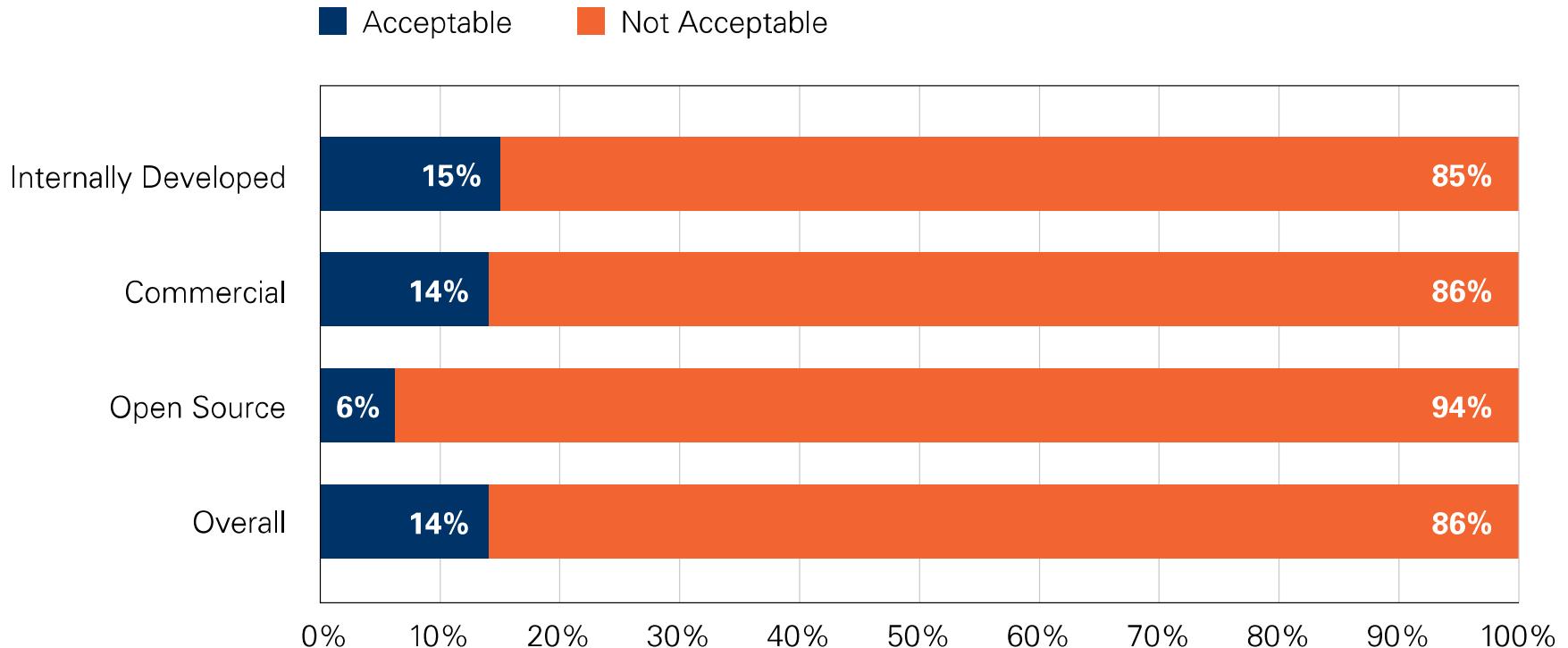


# WHAT PERCENTAGE OF WEB APPLICATIONS FAIL THE OWASP TOP TEN?



- a) 34%
- b) 57%
- c) 86%
- d) 99%

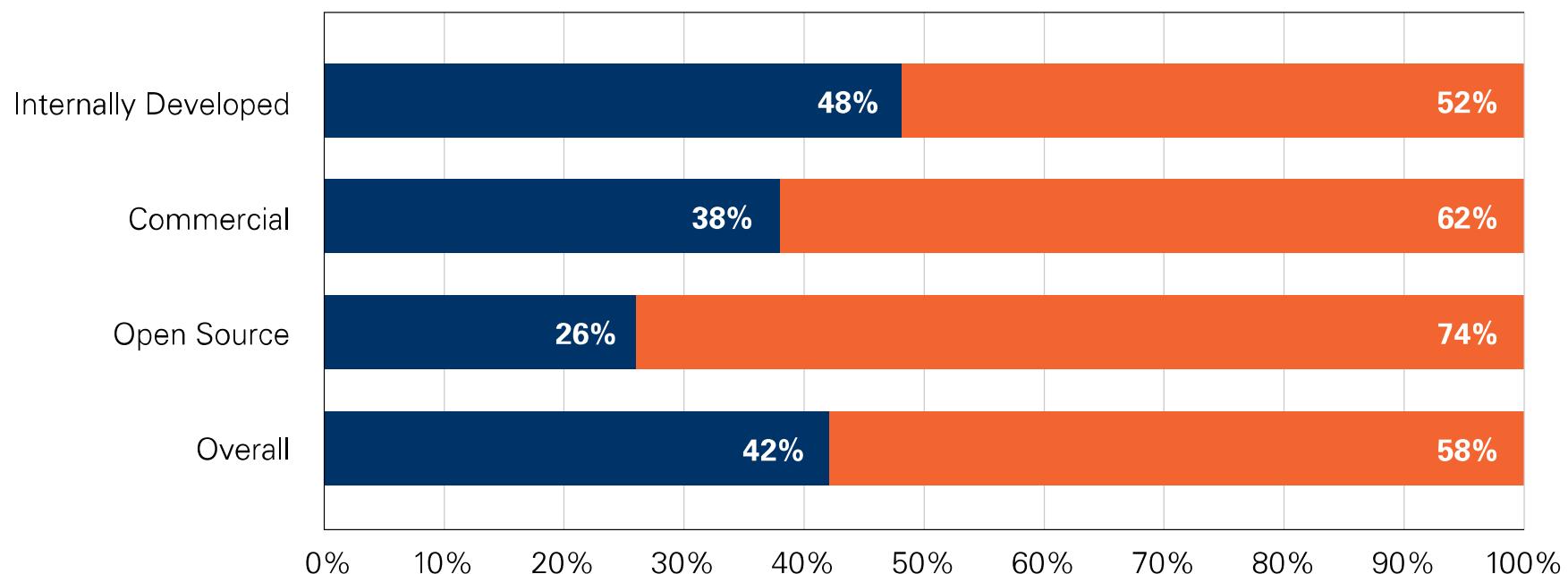
## OWASP Top 10 Compliance by Supplier on First Submission (Web Applications)



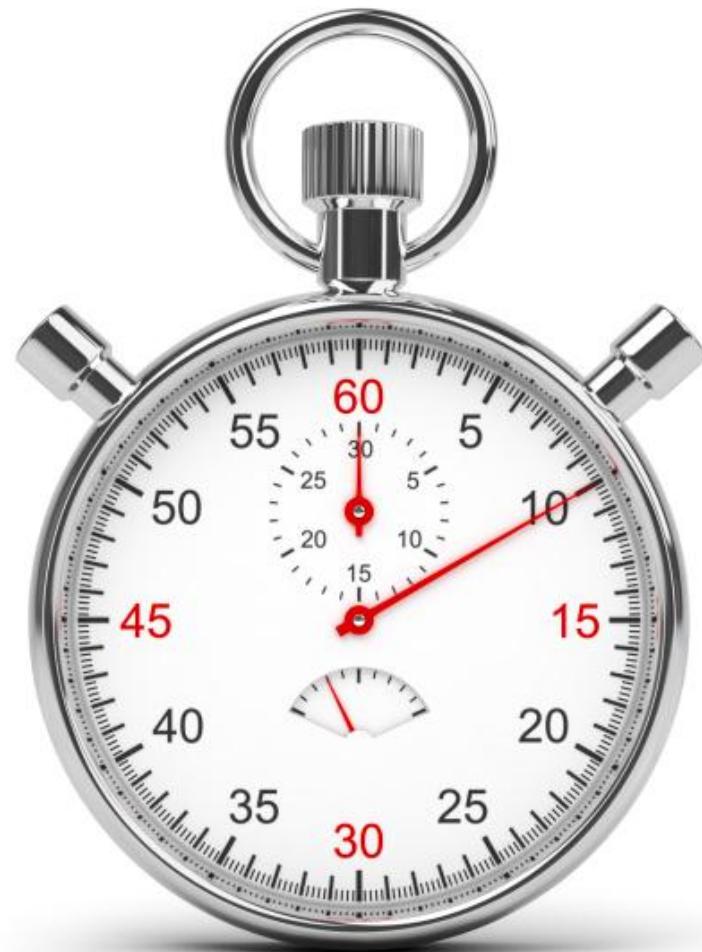
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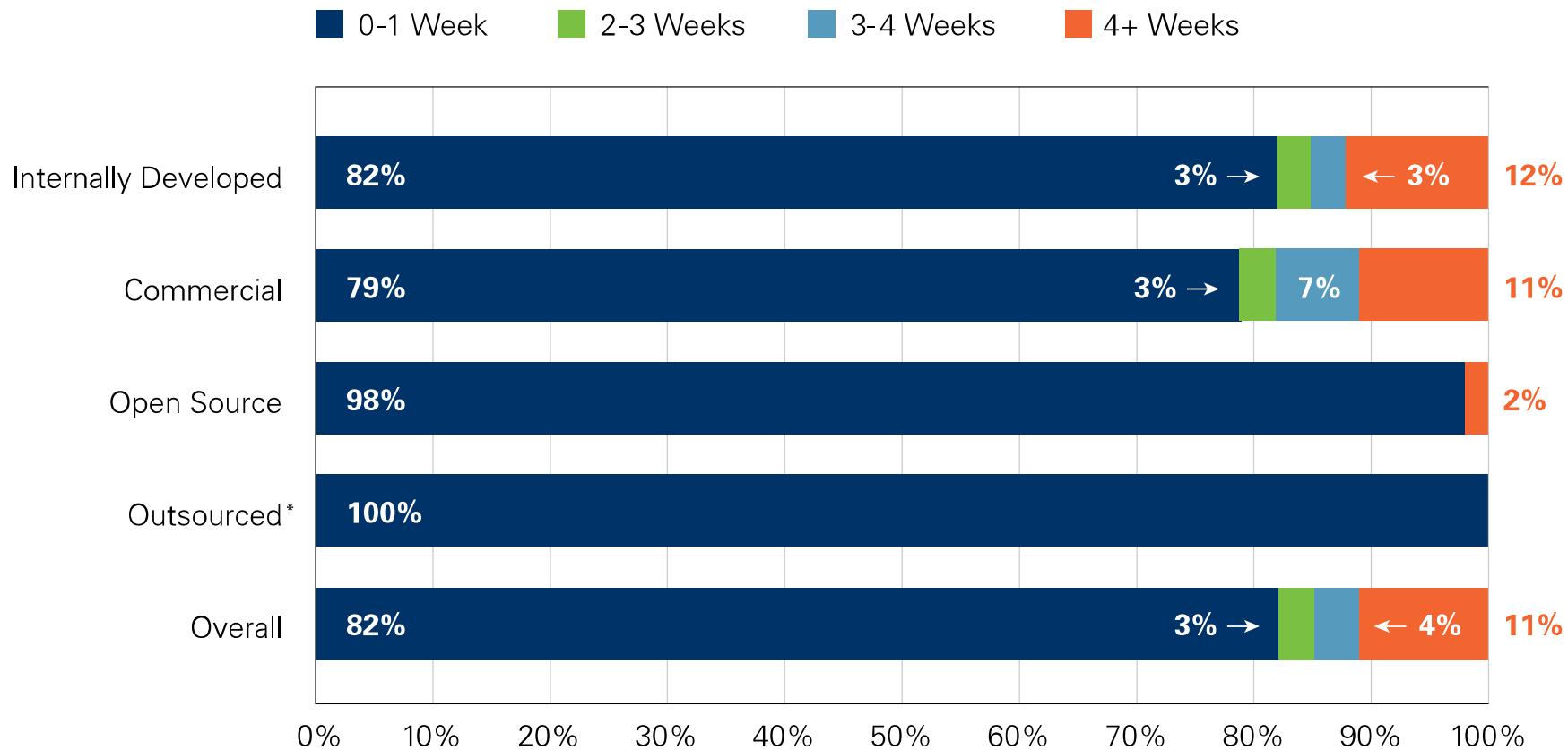
■ Acceptable ■ Not Acceptable



# HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE APPLICATIONS TO ACHIEVE AN ACCEPTABLE RATING?



## Time to Policy Achievement

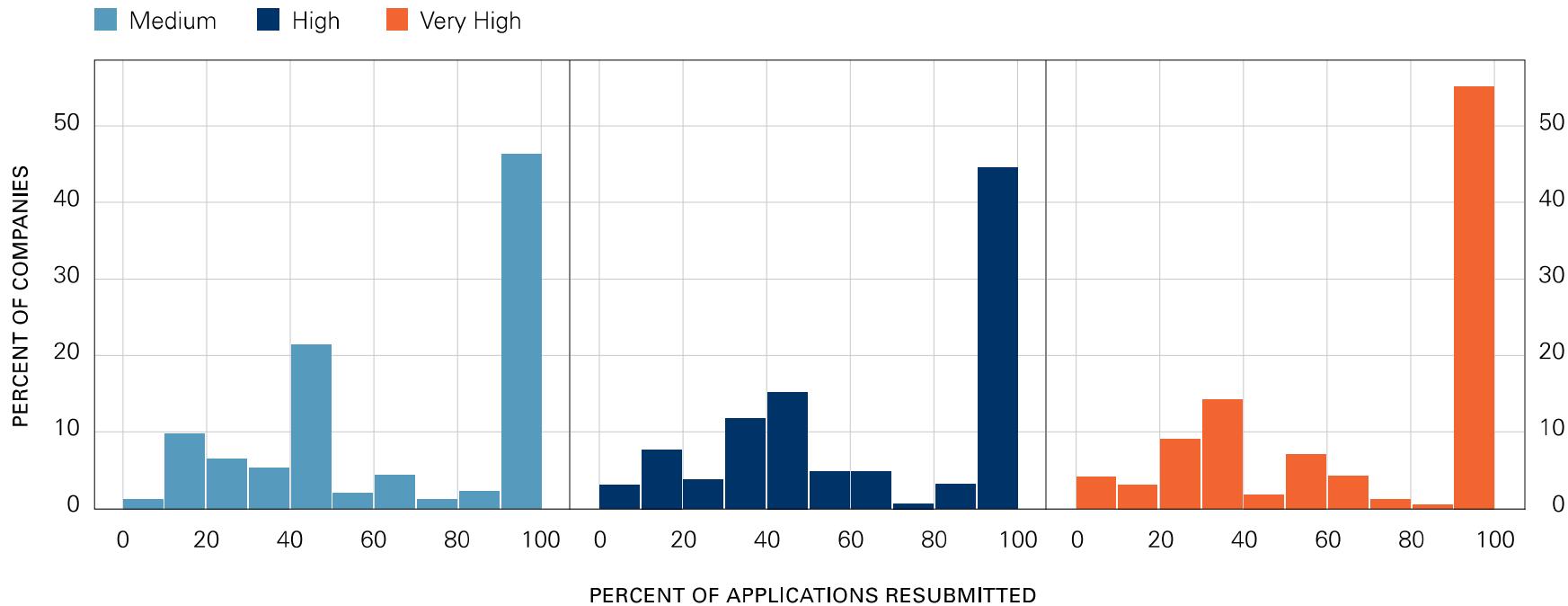


Development agility and application security  
are not mutually exclusive!

# **GREAT, BUT WHAT ABOUT ALL THE OTHER APPS?**

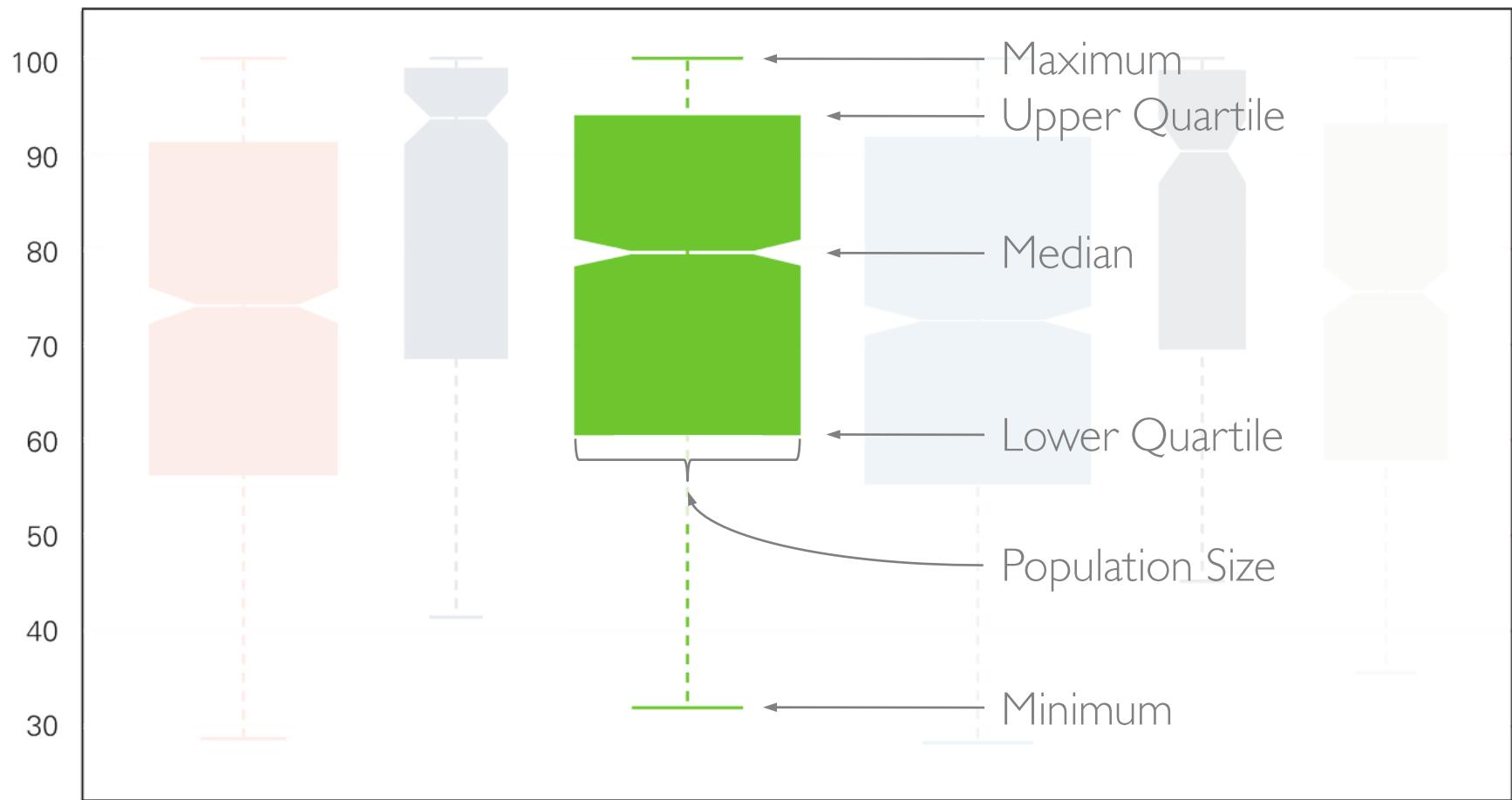


## Percentage of Applications Resubmitted by Business Criticality

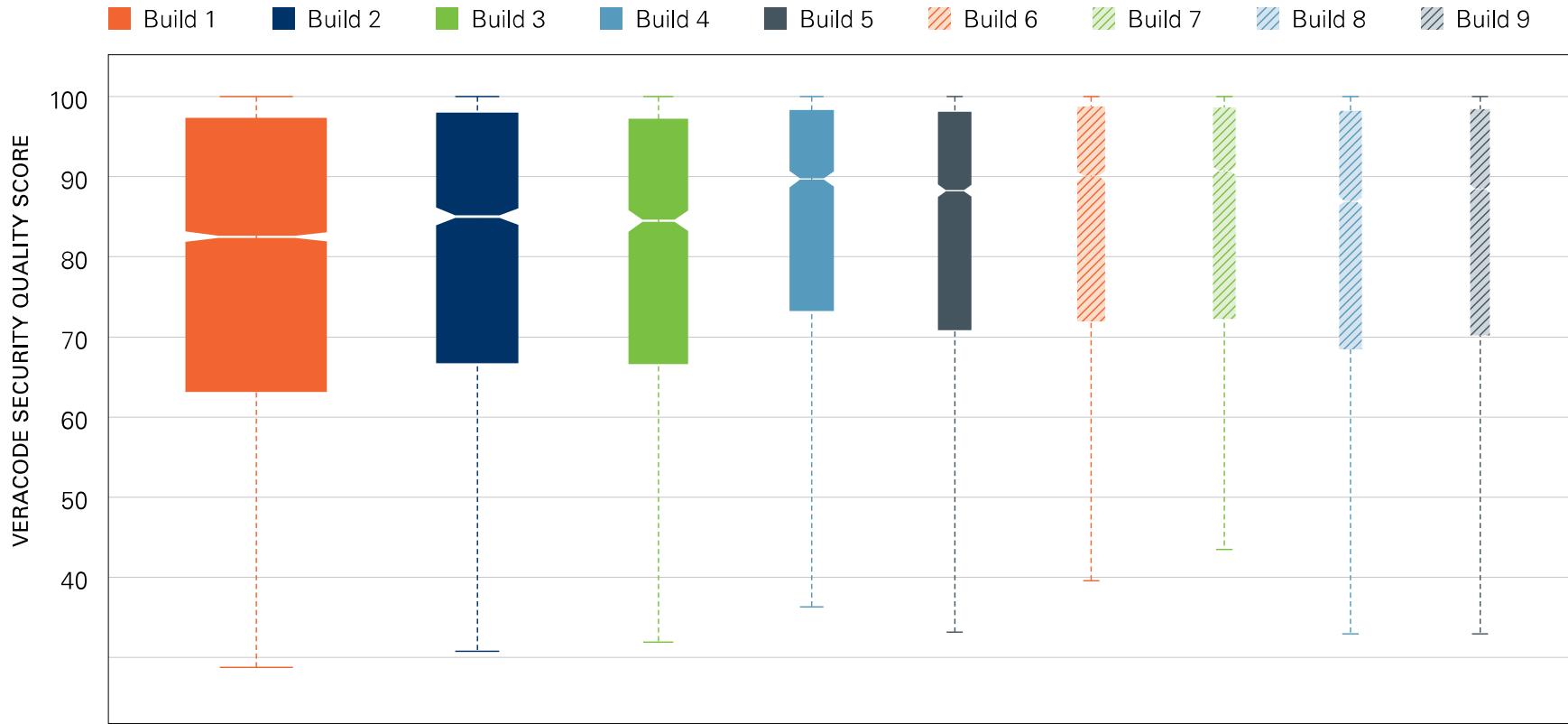


Only about half of companies resubmit more than 90% of their *most critical* applications!

# REFRESHER: WHISKER PLOTS

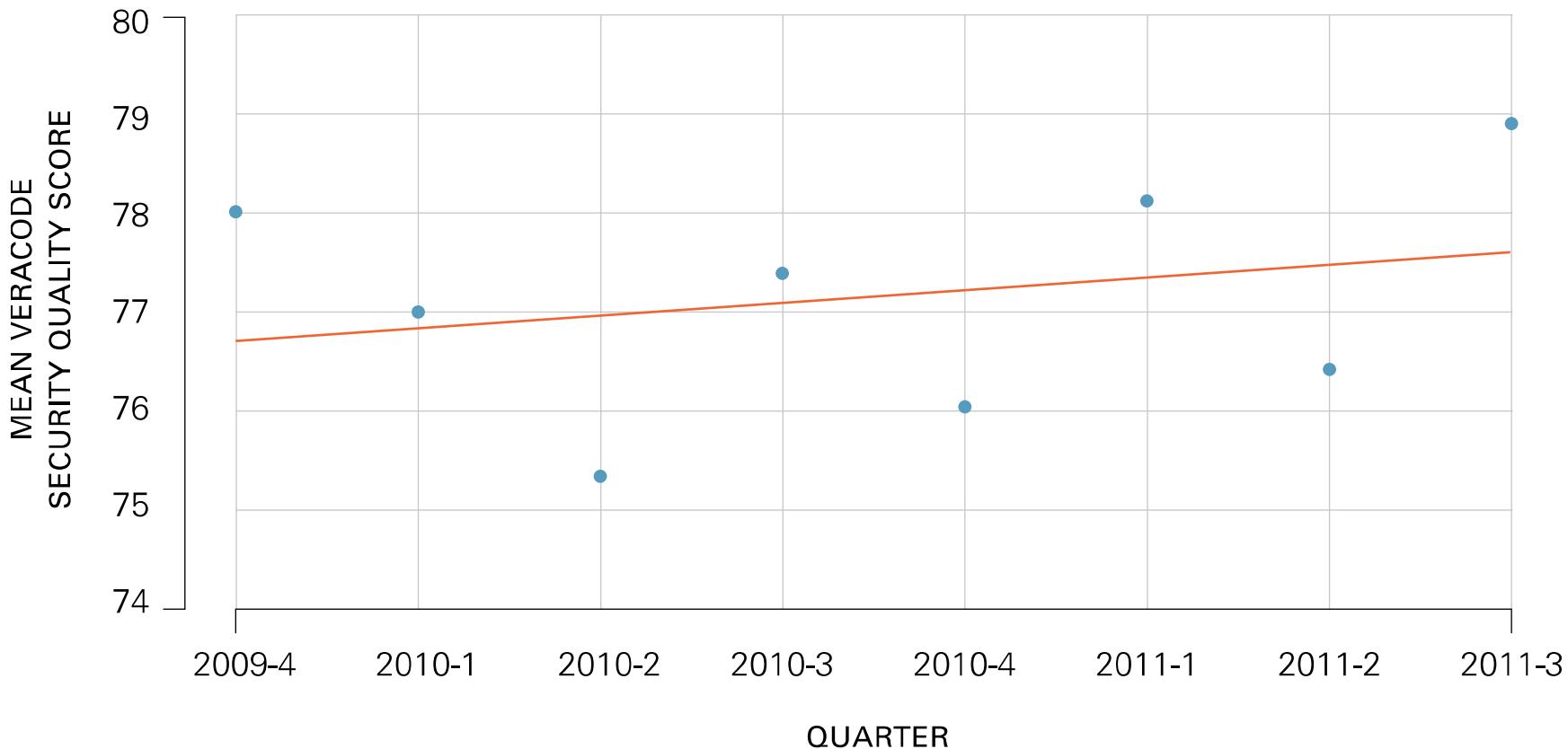


## Veracode Security Quality Score by Build



## Veracode Security Quality Score Trend by Quarter

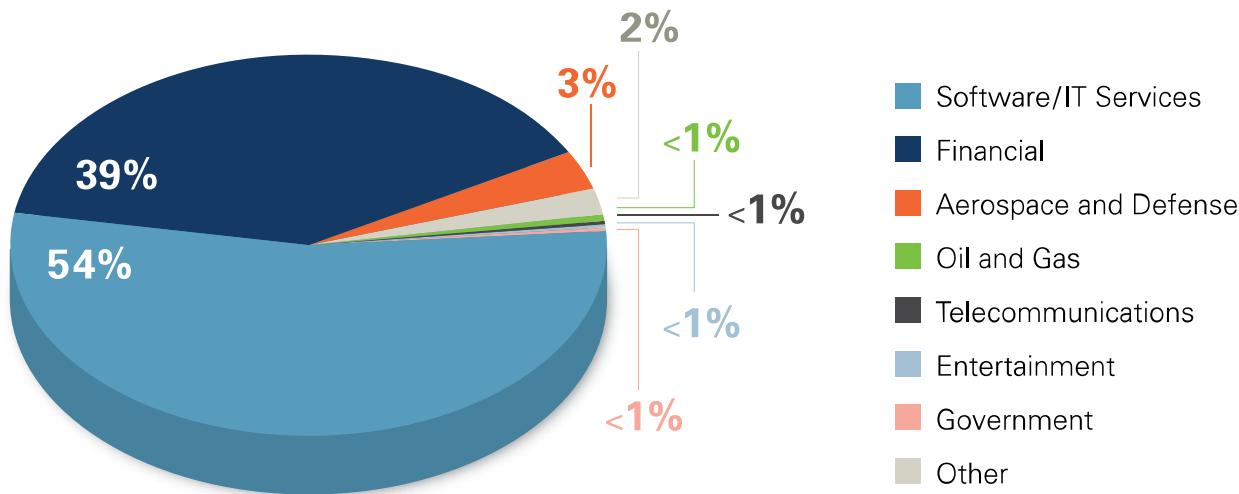
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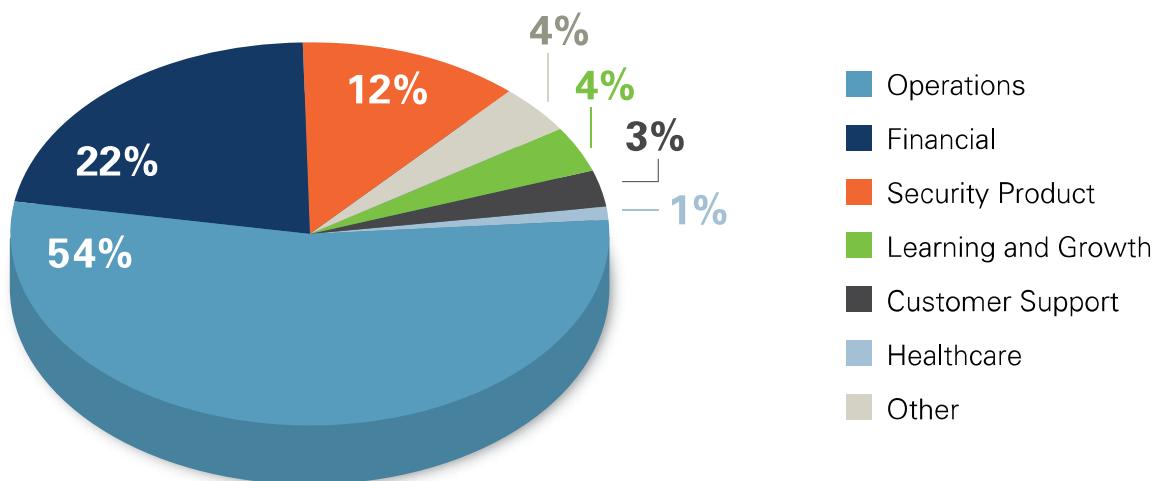
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HOLDING THEIR  
SOFTWARE  
VENDORS  
ACCOUNTABLE?**



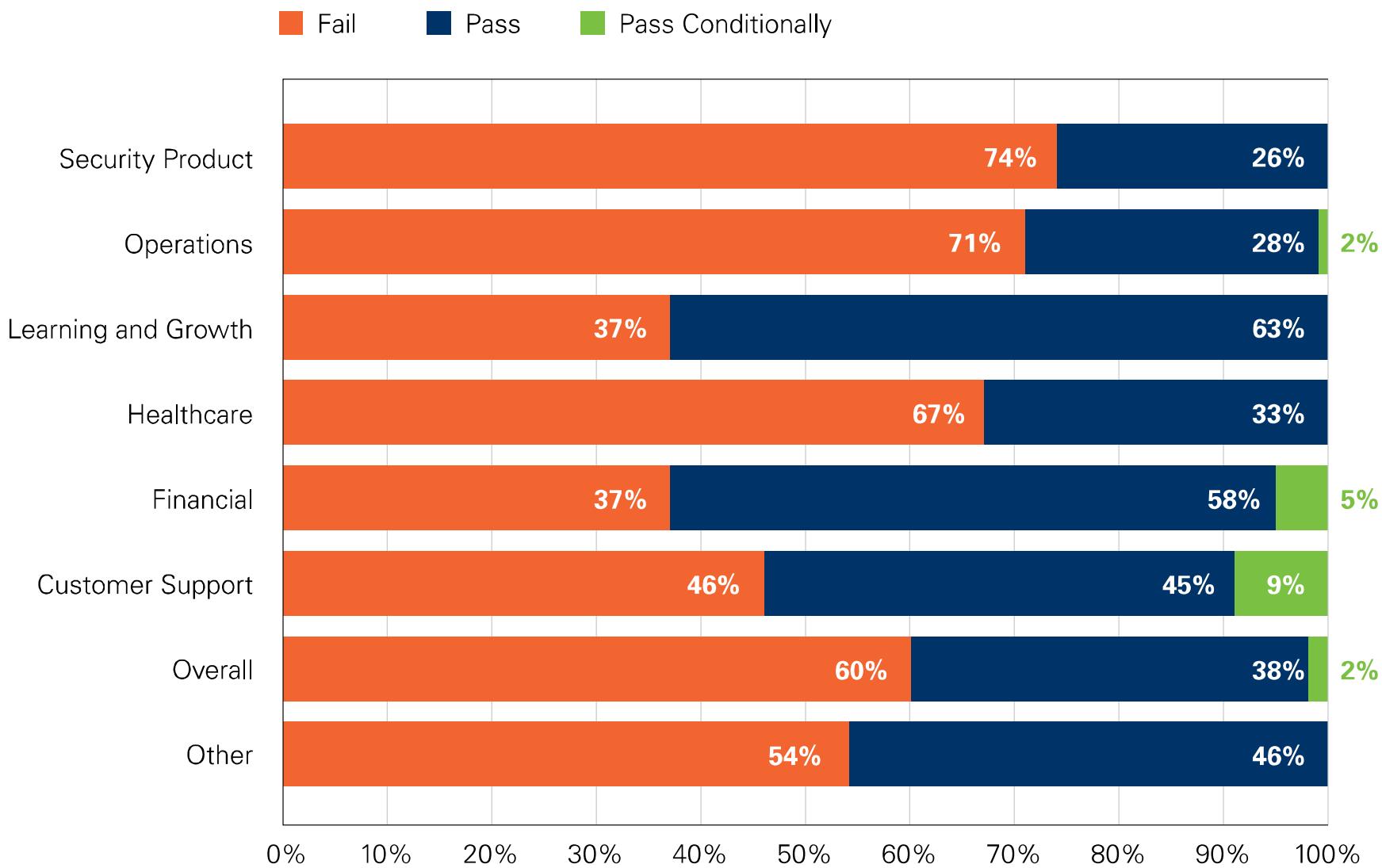
### Requestor Type by Industry

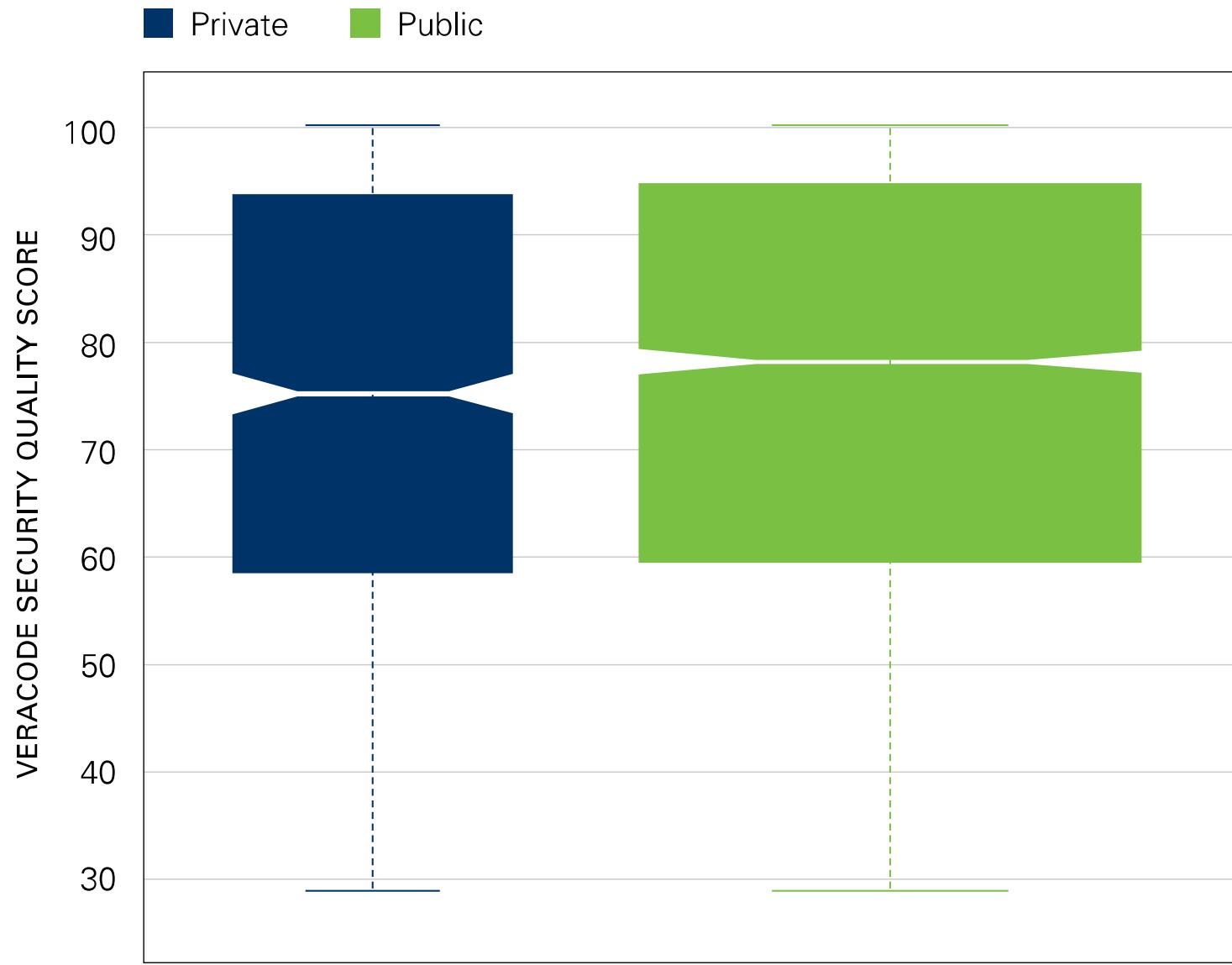


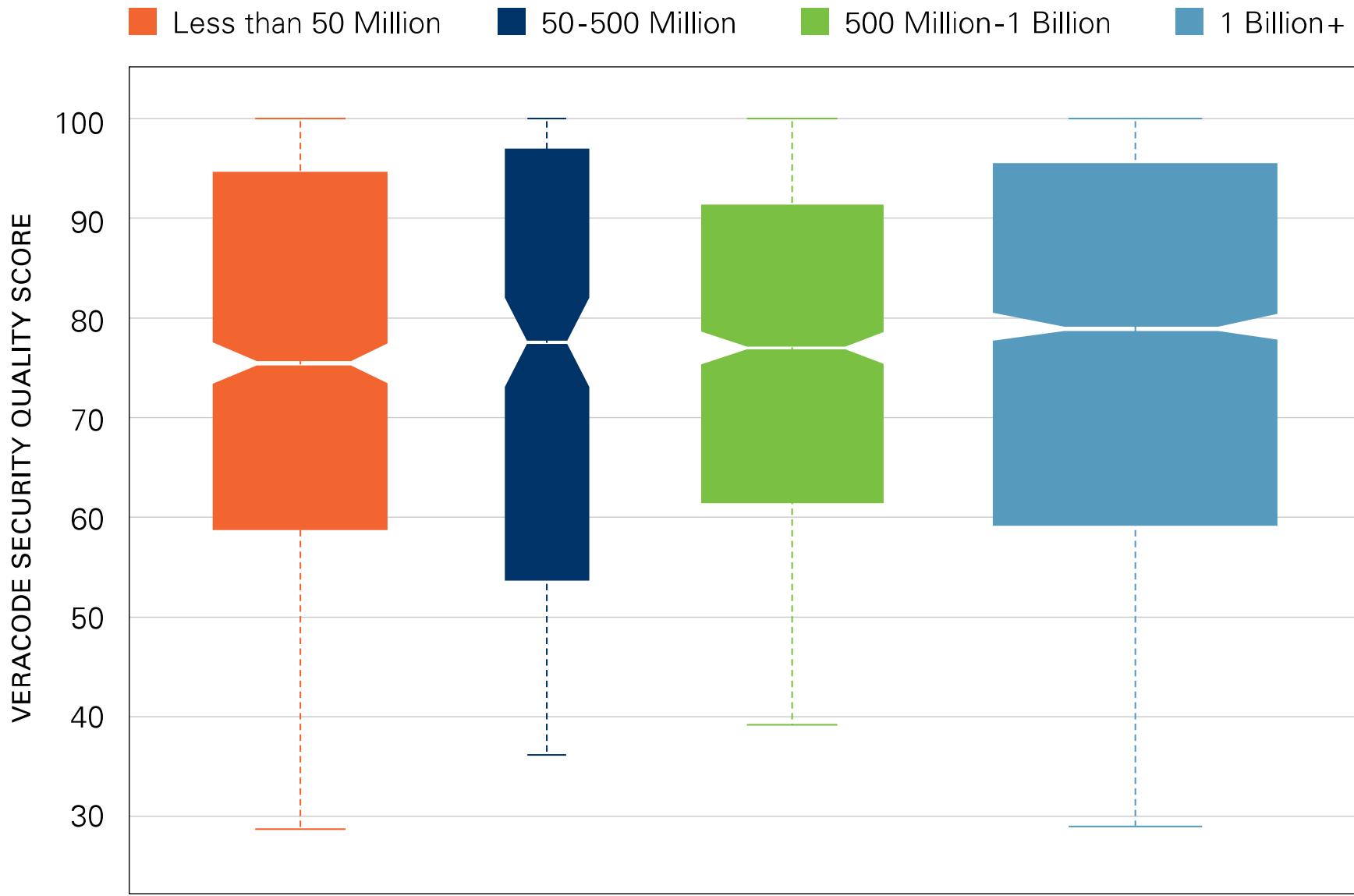
### Third-party Assessments by Application Purpose



## Performance Against Enterprise Policy by Application Purpose



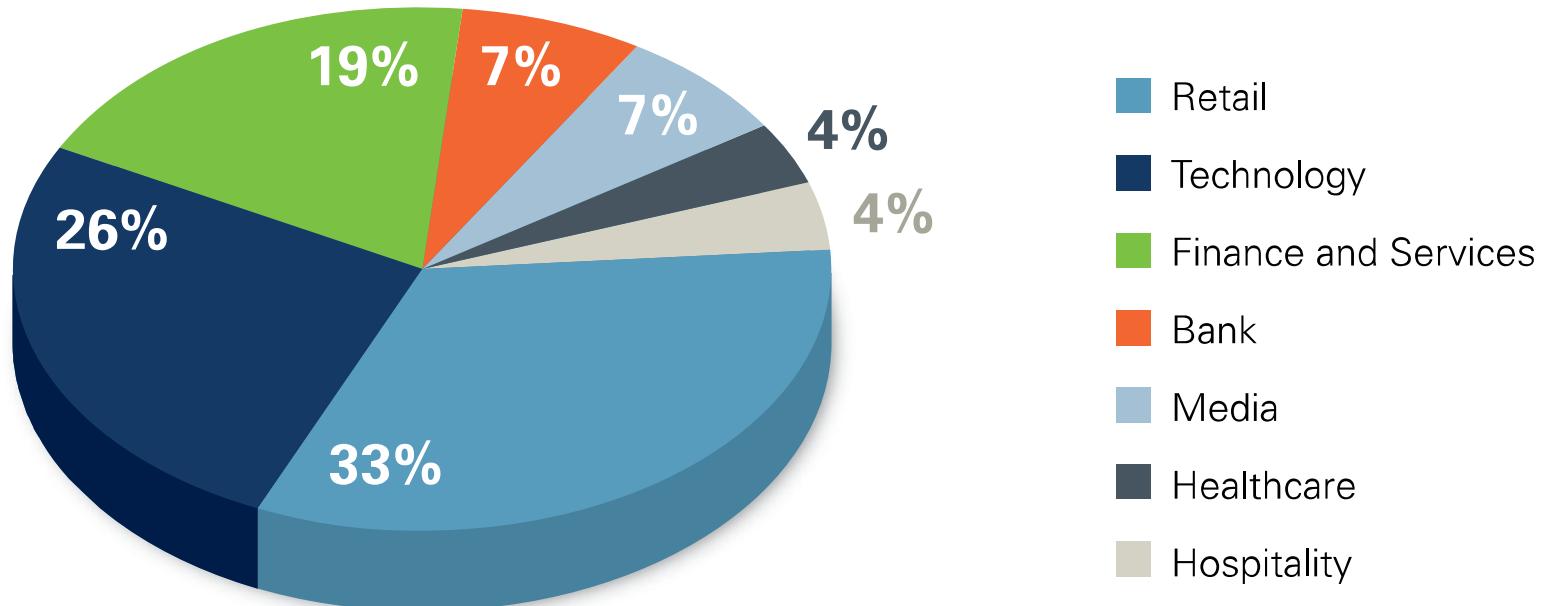




**SO I HEAR  
YOU CAN RUN  
APPLICATIONS  
ON SMART  
PHONES?**



## Android Applications by Industry Vertical

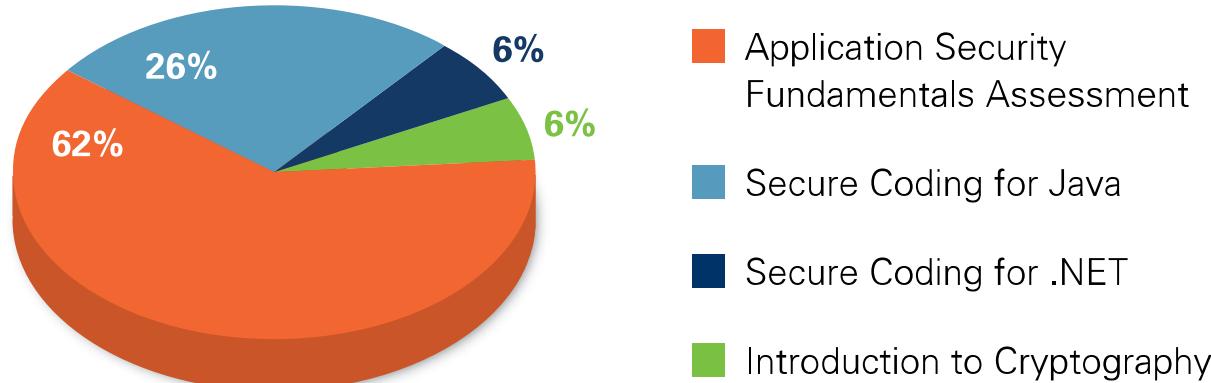
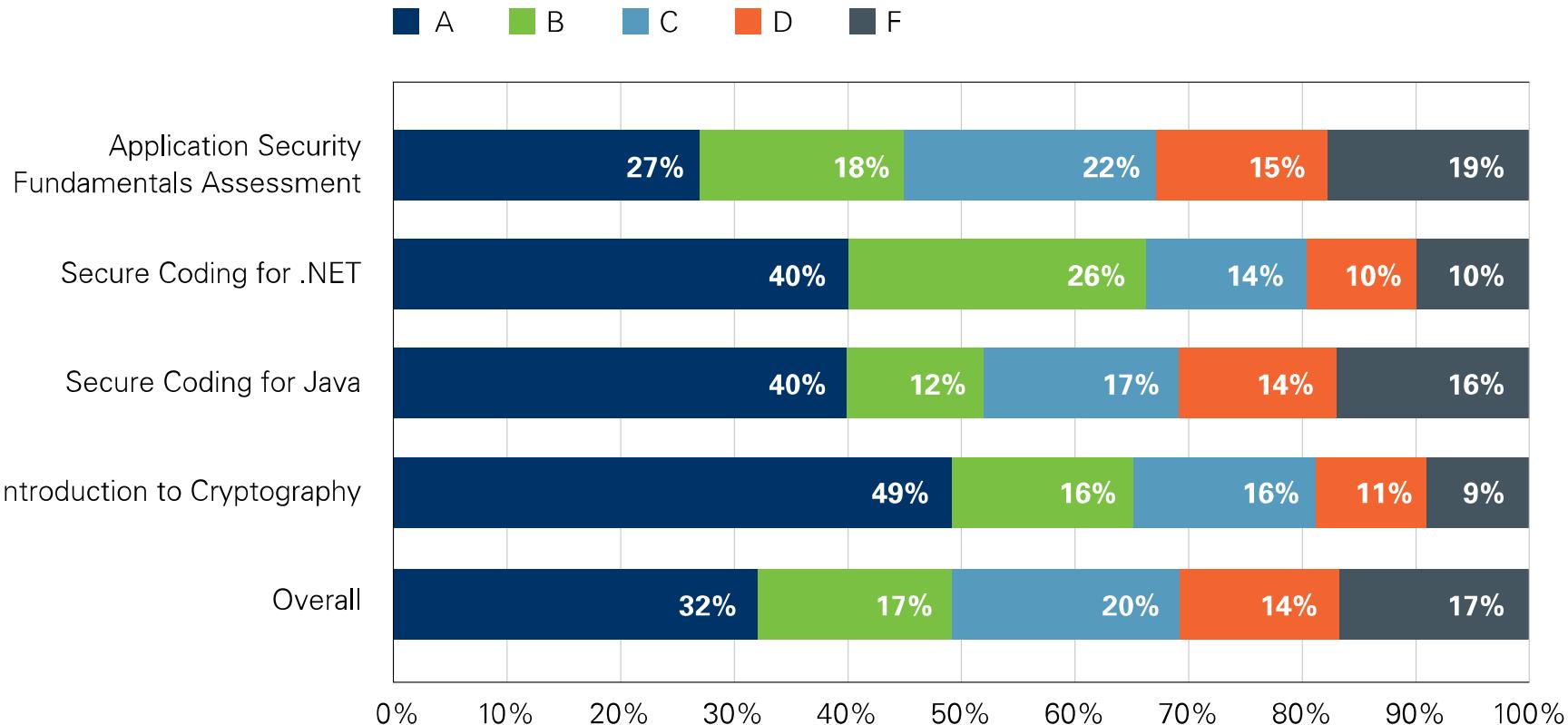




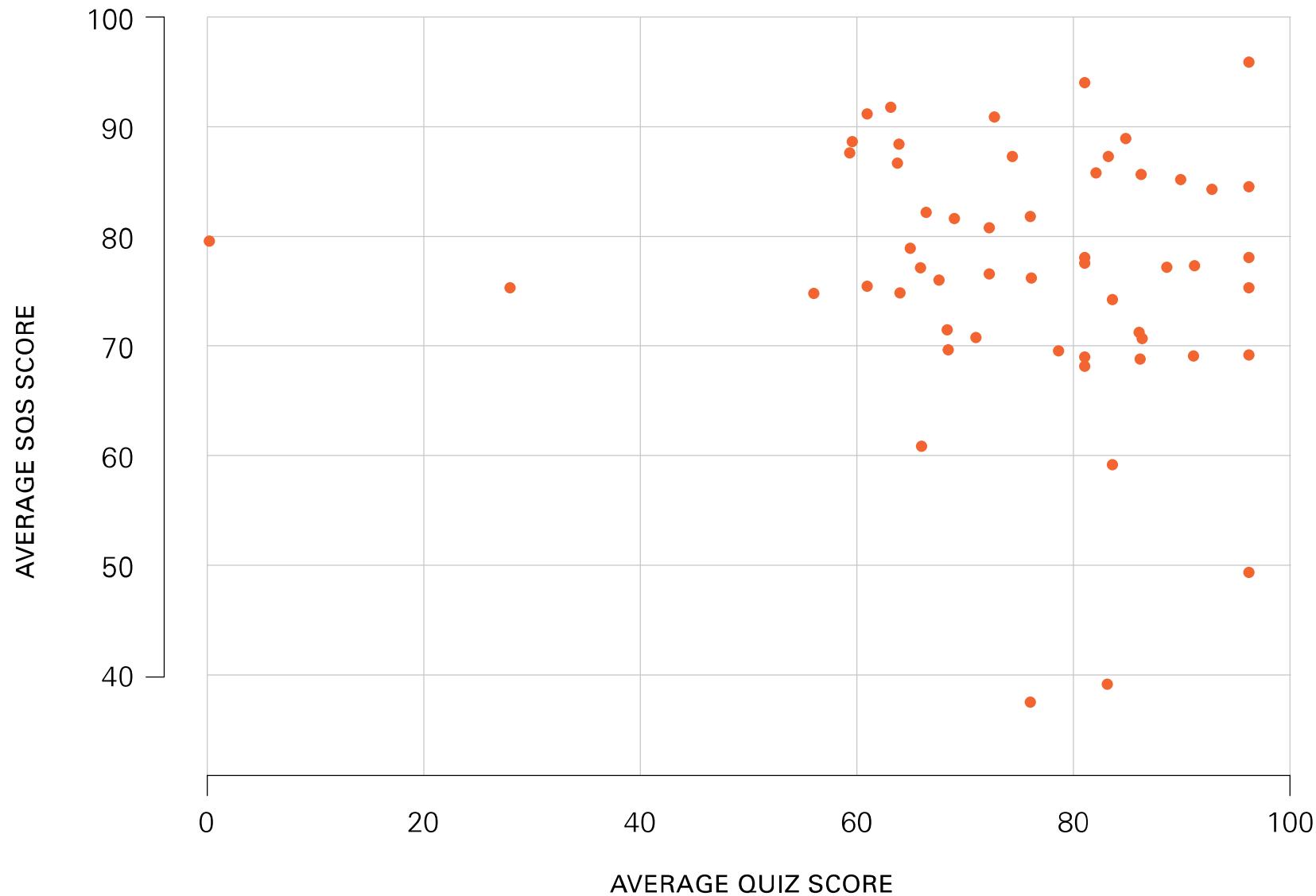
CWE Category	CWE	Percent Applications Affected
Insufficient Entropy	331	61%
Use of Hard-coded Cryptographic Key	321	42%
Information Exposure Through Sent Data	201	39%
Information Exposure Through Error Message	209	6%

**WHEN GIVEN AN  
EXAM ON  
APPLICATION  
SECURITY  
FUNDAMENTALS,  
OVER HALF OF  
DEVELOPERS...**

- a) Receive an A
- b) Receive a B or worse
- c) Receive a C or worse
- d) Fail (receive a D or F)



## Account Average SQS vs Average Quiz Grade





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