Orbit Capital

Cyber Threat Report - July 2025

Executive Summary

This report provides an analysis of cybersecurity threats and incidents for July 2025, focusing on trends, vulnerabilities, and recommended mitigation strategies for Orbit Capital and our portfolio companies.

> **Key Findings:**
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> - AI-powered attacks increased by 45% compared to previous month
> - Ransomware incidents targeting financial services rose 30%
> - Supply chain vulnerabilities remain a critical concern
> - Zero-day exploits in cloud infrastructure doubled

> **Critical Alert:** New AI-driven phishing campaigns targeting investment professionals have been identified. Immediate attention required for email security protocols.

Threat Landscape Overview

Primary Threat Categories

Threat Type	Incidents Reported	Risk Level	Trend
Ransomware	1,247	High	↑ 30%
Phishing/Social Engineering	3,891	High	↑ 45%
Supply Chain Attacks	156	High	↑ 25%
Zero-Day Exploits	89	Medium	↑ 100%
DDoS Attacks	723	Medium	↓ 15%
Insider Threats	234	Low	→ Stable

AI-Powered Cyber Threats

The emergence of AI-driven cyber attacks represents the most significant shift in the threat landscape this month. Attackers are leveraging generative AI for:

- **Advanced Phishing:** AI-generated emails that mimic executive communication patterns
- **Automated Vulnerability Scanning:** Machine learning algorithms identifying zero-day exploits
- **Deepfake Social Engineering:** AI-generated voice and video for impersonation attacks
- **Adaptive Malware:** Self-modifying code that evades traditional detection

> **Case Study:** A major financial institution suffered a $50M loss from an AI-powered business email compromise attack that bypassed all traditional security controls.

Industry-Specific Threats

Financial Services Sector

Investment firms face increased targeting due to high-value data and transaction capabilities:

- Business email compromise attacks targeting wire transfer approvals
- Ransomware encrypting critical trading systems
- Supply chain attacks on fintech vendors
- Insider threats from compromised employee credentials

Technology Portfolio Companies

Our portfolio companies in AI, fintech, and enterprise software face unique threats:

- Intellectual property theft targeting proprietary algorithms
- Cloud infrastructure attacks on SaaS platforms
- API exploitation in connected systems
- Third-party vendor compromise affecting service availability

Vulnerability Assessment

Critical Vulnerabilities Identified

Vulnerability	CVSS Score	Impact	Status
Cloud Storage Misconfiguration	8.5	High	Exploited in Wild
API Authentication Bypass	9.1	Critical	Active Exploits
Legacy System Vulnerabilities	7.2	Medium	Monitoring Required
Supply Chain Dependencies	8.8	High	Immediate Action

Compliance and Regulatory Updates

New regulatory requirements affecting cybersecurity posture:

- SEC cybersecurity disclosure rules for public companies
- GDPR updates for AI data processing
- NYDFS cybersecurity regulation enhancements
- CFTC requirements for critical infrastructure protection

Recommended Mitigation Strategies

Immediate Actions Required

1. **AI Threat Detection:** Implement AI-powered security tools to detect AI-generated attacks
2. **Email Security Enhancement:** Deploy advanced email authentication and AI content analysis
3. **Zero Trust Architecture:** Move toward zero-trust network access for all systems
4. **Supply Chain Security:** Conduct comprehensive vendor risk assessments
5. **Incident Response Planning:** Update IR plans to address AI-driven threats

Long-term Security Investments

- Security orchestration and automated response (SOAR) platforms
- Extended detection and response (XDR) solutions
- AI-driven threat hunting capabilities
- Blockchain-based identity and access management
- Quantum-resistant encryption for sensitive data

Orbit Capital Security Status

Internal Security Metrics

Security Control	Status	Last Assessment
Endpoint Protection	✅ Compliant	July 15, 2025
Network Security	✅ Compliant	July 10, 2025
Data Encryption	⚠️ Needs Update	June 30, 2025
Access Controls	✅ Compliant	July 20, 2025
Incident Response	🔄 In Progress	Ongoing

Portfolio Company Support

Orbit Capital provides cybersecurity support to portfolio companies through:

- Regular security assessments and audits
- Access to cybersecurity insurance programs
- Strategic partnerships with leading security vendors
- Board-level cybersecurity governance guidance

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