



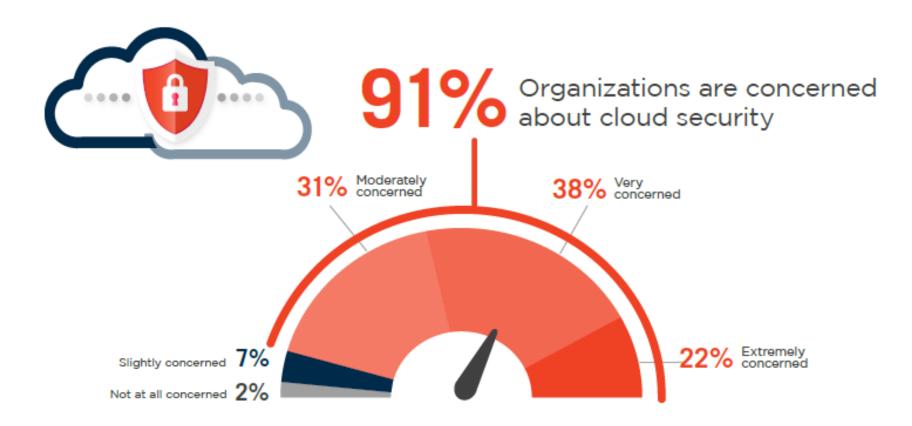
CLOUD SECURITY REPORT 2018

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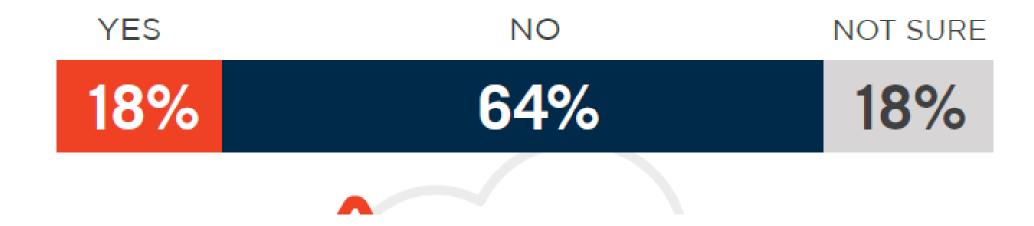
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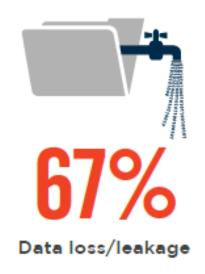
Please rate your level of overall security concern related to adopting public cloud computing.



Did your organization experience a cloud related security incident in the last 12 months?



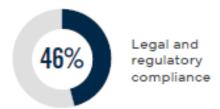
What are your biggest cloud security concerns?









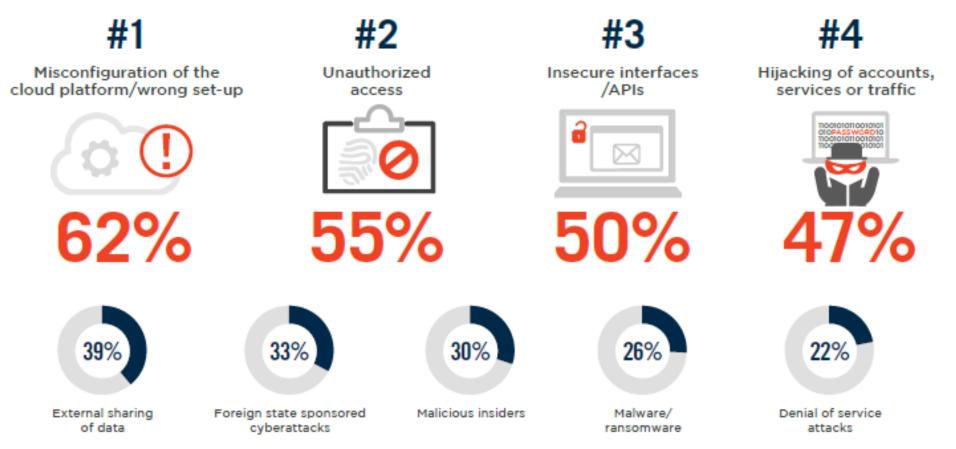




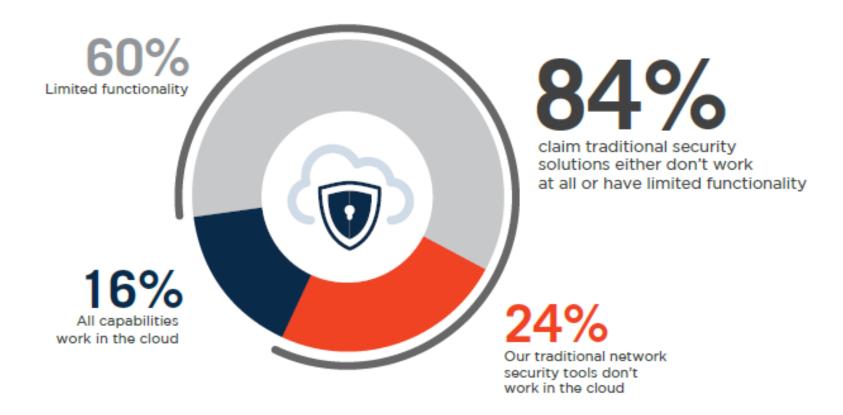




What do you think are the biggest security threats in public clouds?



How well do your traditional network security tools/appliances work in cloud environments?



What security technologies and controls are most effective to protect data in the cloud?



64% Data encryption



54%
Network encryption
(VPN, packet encryption,

transport encryption)



52%
Security Information and Event Management (SIEM)



51%
Trained cloud security professionals



Intrusion detection and prevention



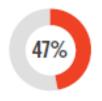
Vulnerability assessment



Access control (e.g., CASB/Cloud Access Security Brokers)



Log management and analytics

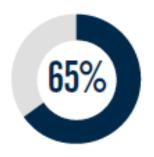


Privileged Access Management (PAM)



Data leakage prevention

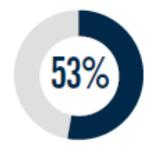
How do you protect data in the cloud?



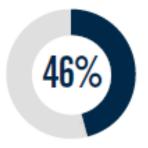
We use access controls



We use encryption or tokenization

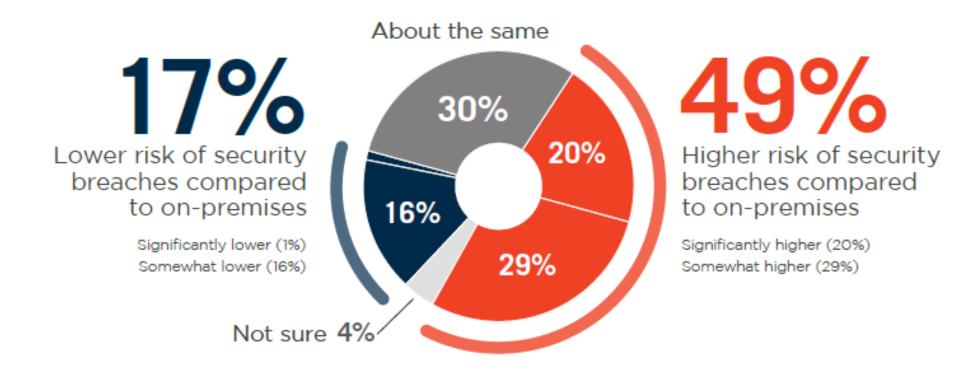


We use security services offered by the cloud provider



We connect to the cloud via protected networks

Compared to traditional IT environments, what would you say is the risk of security breaches in a public cloud environment?



Traditional IT infrastructure and Cloud Security



On Premise

App

VM

Server

Storage

Network

On Premise (hosted)

App

VM

Server

Storage

Network

laaS

App

VM

Server

Storage

Network

PaaS

App

Services

Server

Storage

Network

SaaS

App

Services

Server

Storage

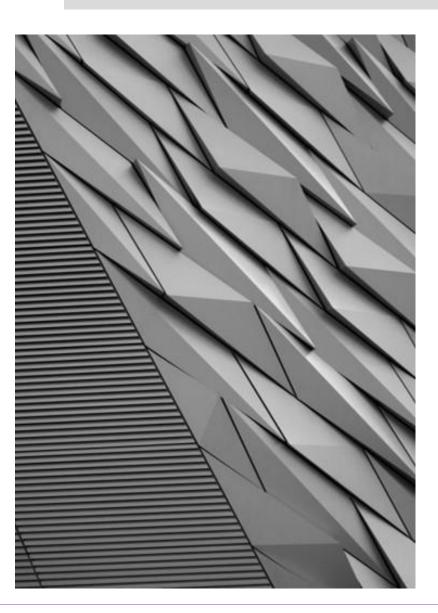
Network

Organization has control

Organization shares control with vendor

Vendor has control

Cloud Security Reasons

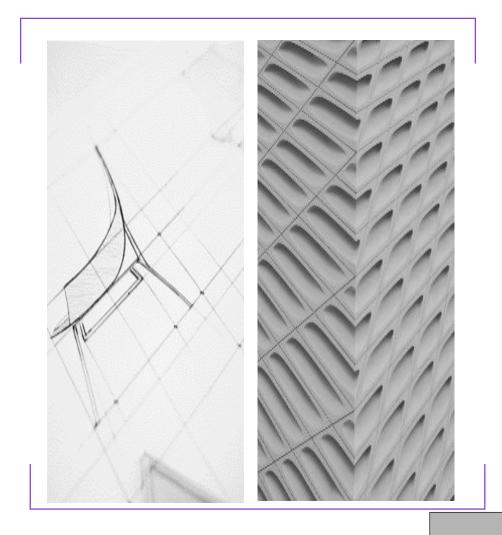


Most security problems stem from:

- Loss of control
- Multi-tenancy

Threat, Vulnerability, and Risk

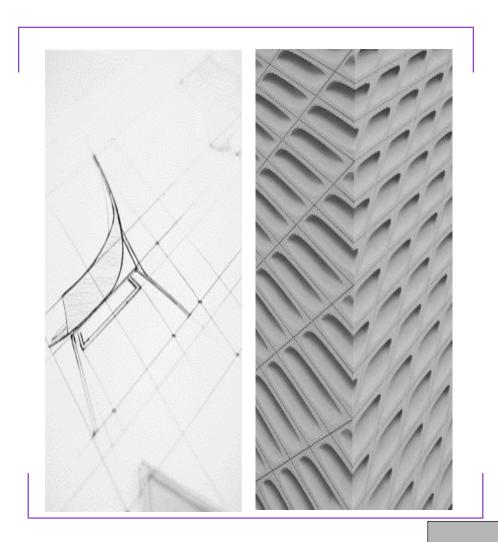
- Threats refer to circumstances or events with the potential to cause harm by way of their outcome. A threat is what we're trying to protect against.
- Vulnerabilities simply refer to weaknesses in a system. Vulnerabilities make threats possible.
- **Risk** refers the potential for loss, damage or destruction of an asset as a result of a threat exploiting a vulnerability.



Risk = Threat probability x Potential loss

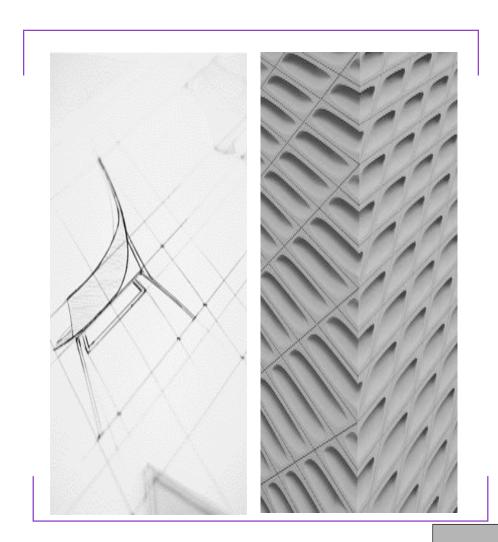
Security

- Measures that are taken to protect a place, or to ensure that only people with permission enter it or leave it. (Collins)
- The state of being free from danger or threat.
- A feeling of security is a feeling of being safe and free from worry.

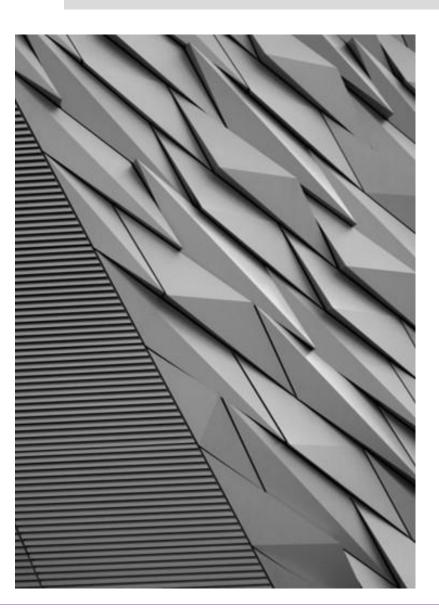


Threat to Cloud Security

- Threat to Infrastructure
 - Application Level
 - Host Level
 - Network Level
- Threat to Information
- Threat to Access Control

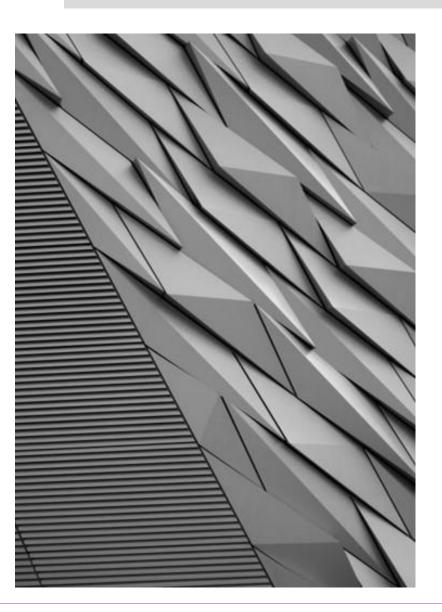


Application Level



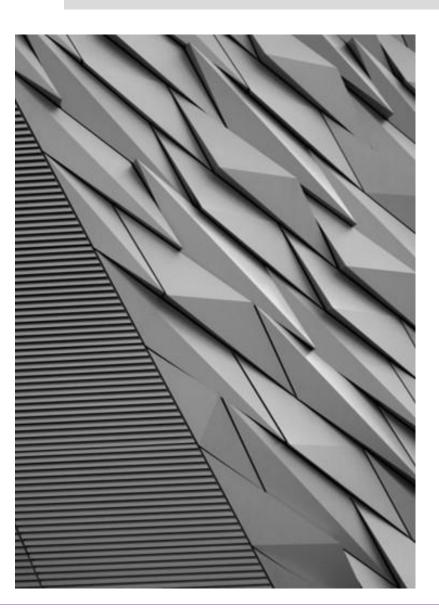
- Cloud malware injection
 - A malicious virtual machine or a service implementation is injected.
 - Solution: Perform the integrity check to the service instance.
- Cookie poisoning
 - An unauthorized access is made into the application by modifying the contents of the cookie.
 - Solution: Clean up the cookie or encrypt the cookie data.

Application Level



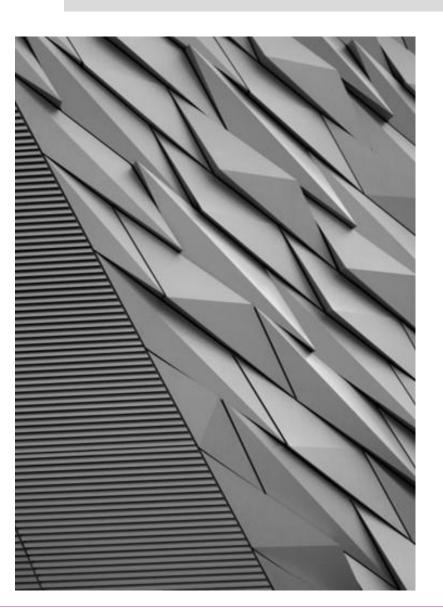
- Backdoor and Debug Option
 - Debug option provides back entry for the developers.
 - If left enabled unnoticed, may provide easy access to the hackers and allow them to make changes in the website.
- Hidden Field Manipulation
 - Certain fields are hidden in the web-site and is used by the developers.
 - Hacker can easily modify on the web page.
- SQL Injection
 - Inserting a malicious code into a standard SQL code

Host Level



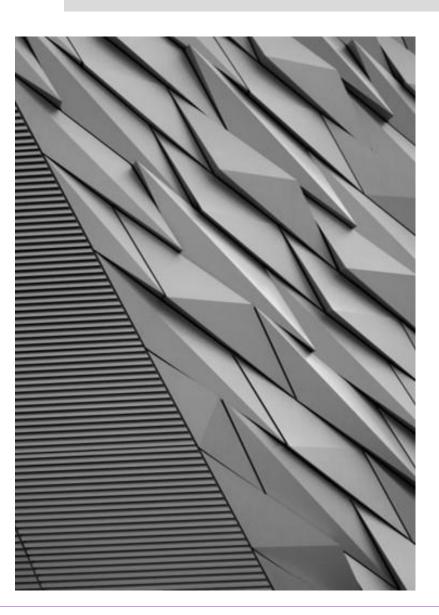
- Virtualization software security
- Customer guest OS or virtual server security
- Security threats:
 - Stealing keys used to access and manage hosts
 - Attacking unpatched, vulnerable services listening on standard ports (e.g., FTP, NetBIOS, SSH)
 - Hijacking accounts that are not properly secured
 - Attacking systems that are not properly secured by host firewalls
 - Deploying Trojans embedded in the software component in the VM or within the VM image (the OS) itself

Network Level



- DNS: Sender and a receiver get rerouted through some evil connection.
 - Domain hijacking
 - Cross site scripting
- Eavesdropping
 - Attacker monitor network traffic in transit then interprets all unprotected data.
- Denial-of-service (DOS)
 - Overflows a server with frequent request of services to damage the network.
 - Server could not serve client regular requests.

Network Level



- Network Sniffing
 - As data flows across the network, the sniffer captures each packet and, if necessary, decode the packet's raw data.
- Man-in-the-Middle
 - A type of eavesdropping attack.
 - A malicious actor inserts himself as a relay/proxy into a communication session between people or systems.

Threat to Information

- Confidentiality
 - Is the property that data contents are not made available or disclosed to illegal users.
- Integrity
 - Demands maintaining and assuring the accuracy and completeness of data.
- Availability
 - Refers to remain accessible at all times.



Threat to Access Control

- Identity, Authenticity & Authorization
 - Identity management is the organizational process for identifying, authenticating and authorizing individuals or groups of people to have access to applications, systems or networks by associating user rights and restrictions with established identities.
 - Single Sign-on or Federated Identity Management

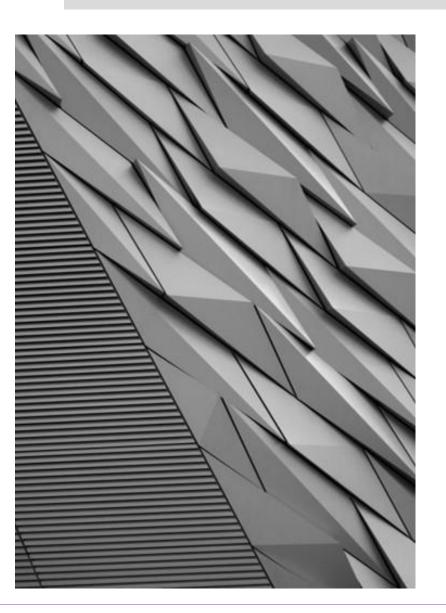


Threat to Access Control

- Non-repudiation
 - Nonrepudiation refers to the ability to ensure that a party to a contract or a communication cannot deny the authenticity of their signature on a document or the sending of a message that they originated.

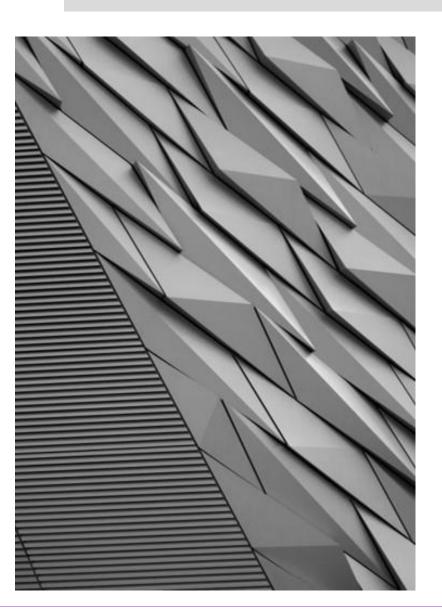


Privacy



Privacy is the ability of an individual or group to seclude themselves or information about themselves and thereby reveal them selectively.

Cloud GRC



- Cloud Governance Risk management and Compliance
 - **GRC** (governance, risk management, and compliance) refers to a capability that **helps an organization** achieve its objectives, with responsibility running right across the organization.
 - GRC is a set of processes and practices that runs across departments and functions.
 - GRC might be enabled by a dedicated platform and other tools, although this is not mandatory.

