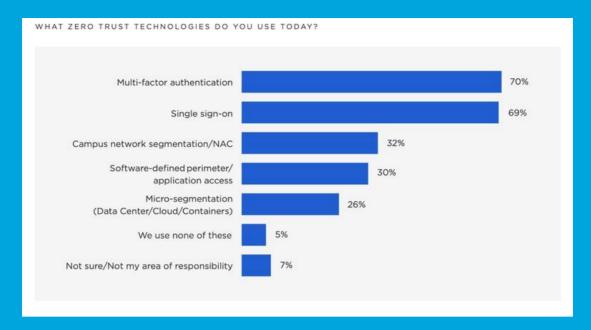


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NIST Issues Final Guidance on 'Zero Trust' Architecture



NIST Special Publication 800-207 is designed to help CISOs, security professionals and network administrators gain a better understanding of the zero trust concept. By adopting a zero trust strategy, organizations can help prevent data breaches and limit attackers' lateral movement, the NIST guidance states.

"Perimeter-based network security has also been shown to be insufficient, since once attackers breach the perimeter, further lateral movement is unhindered," the guidance notes.

The publication states that any organization in the private sector or the government can adopt the zero trust guidelines. In fact, most organizations already have some elements of zero trust in their enterprise infrastructure, NIST notes. But enterprises that are geographically dispersed or have a large mobile workforce are more likely to benefit from deploying the latest zero trust guidance. These include enterprises with satellite facilities, those using multi-cloud or cloud-to-cloud approaches, organizations that rely on contracted services and enterprises with public- or customer-facing services.

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