

Phishing Awareness



Protecting Yourself
and Your Organization

Introduction to Phishing



- **Definition:** Phishing is a cyberattack that uses disguised emails or websites to steal sensitive information.
- **Image:** Example of a phishing email
- **Importance:** Understanding phishing is crucial to protecting personal and organizational data.

Types of Phishing Attacks



Anatomy of a Phishing Attack



- **Attack Vector:** How the phishing message reaches the victim.
- **Hook:** The lure used to trick the victim (e.g., urgent request, attractive offer).
- **Line:** The method used to capture the victim's information (e.g., fake website, malicious attachment).
- **Sinker:** The execution of the attack (e.g., stealing data, installing malware).

Identifying Phishing Emails

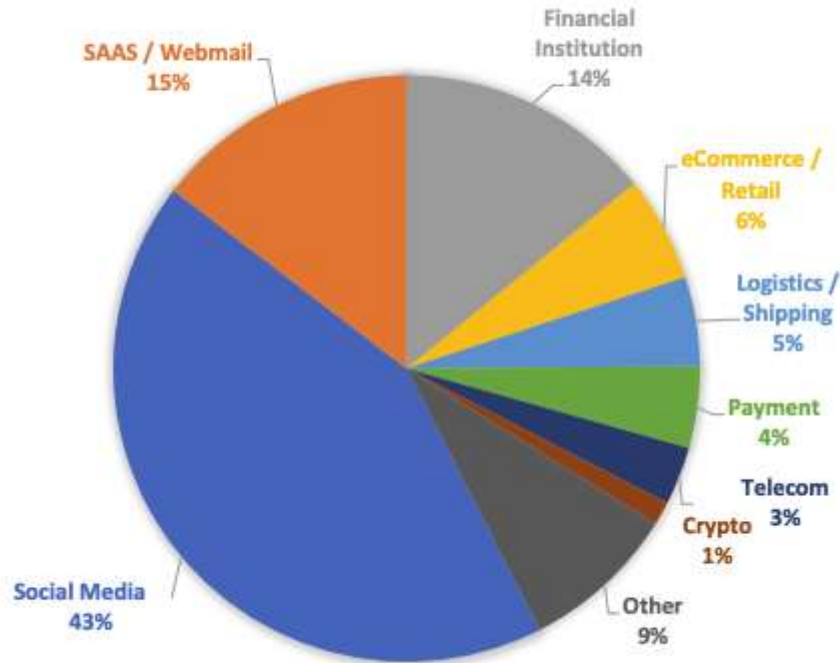


- Check the sender's email address.
- Look for generic greetings and poor grammar.
- Be wary of urgent or threatening language.
- Hover over links to see the actual URL.

Impact of Phishing Attacks

- Data Breaches: Loss of sensitive information.
- Financial Loss: Direct theft or fraud.
- Reputational Damage: Loss of trust from customers and partners.
- Legal Repercussions: Compliance issues and fines.

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How to Protect Yourself



- Use strong, unique passwords.
- Enable multi-factor authentication (MFA).
- Regularly update software and systems.
- Be cautious with unsolicited emails and messages.

What to Do if You're Targeted



- Do not click on suspicious links or attachments.
- Report the phishing attempt to your IT department.
- Change your passwords immediately.
- Monitor your accounts for suspicious activity.

Conclusion and Questions



