



# Cloudy with a chance of hack

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# Agenda

- Weather Trends & 6-Day Forecast
- Clouds Everywhere!
- Why So Little Sunshine?
- How To Best Dress For Bad Weather
- Q & A



# The First Hacked Site



# Web Security Trends

**75% of cyber attacks & Internet security violations  
are generated through Internet applications**

Source: Gartner Group

**87% of Websites are vulnerable to attack**

Source: SearchSecurity – January 2009

**75% of enterprises experienced some form of cyber  
attack in 2009**

Source: Symantec Internet Security Report – April 2010

**90% of Websites are vulnerable to attack**

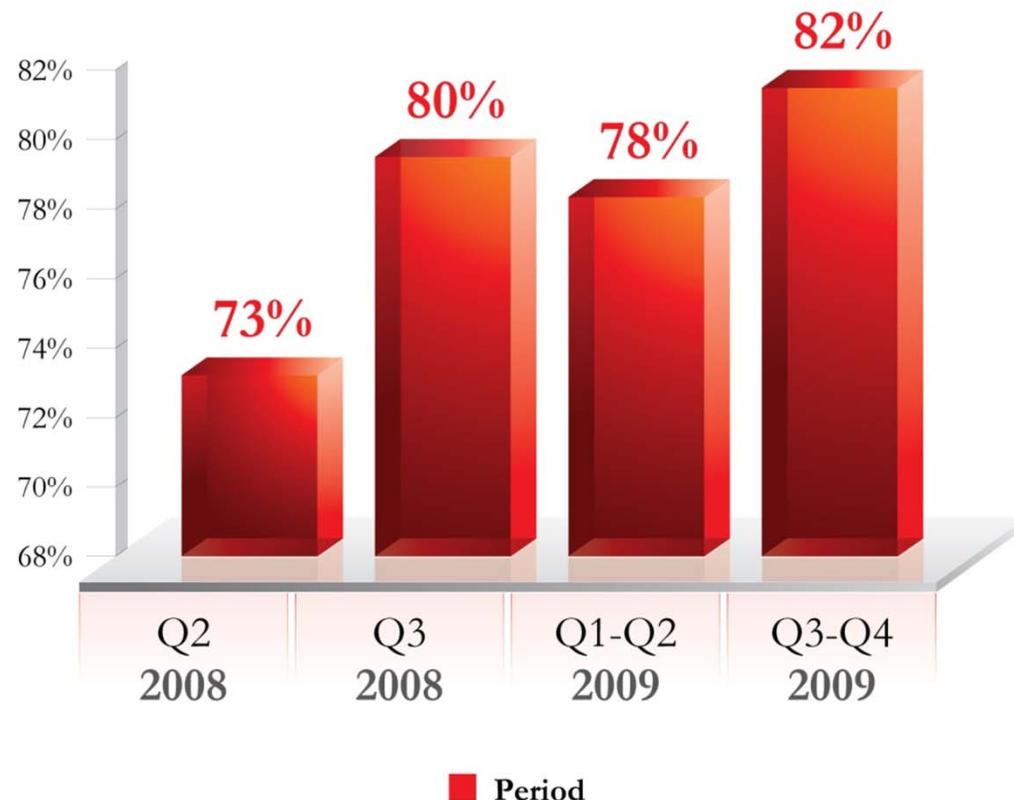
Source: Verizon Business Data Breach Report – April 2009

**\$6.6 Million is the average cost of a data breach**

Source: Ponemon Institute – January 2009

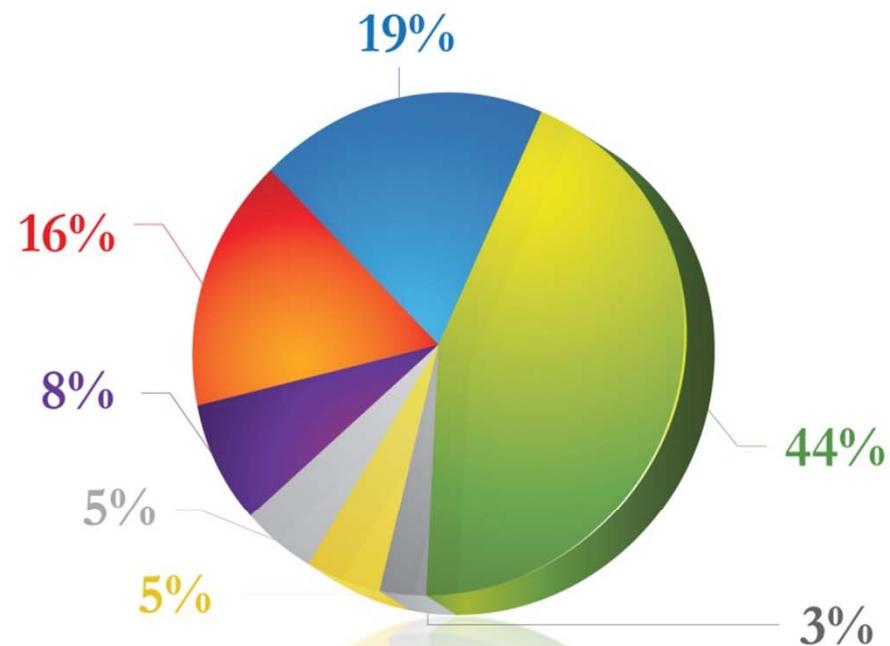


# Web Application Vulnerabilities (as a percentage of total)



Source: Cenzic Q3-Q4, 2009 Application Trends Report

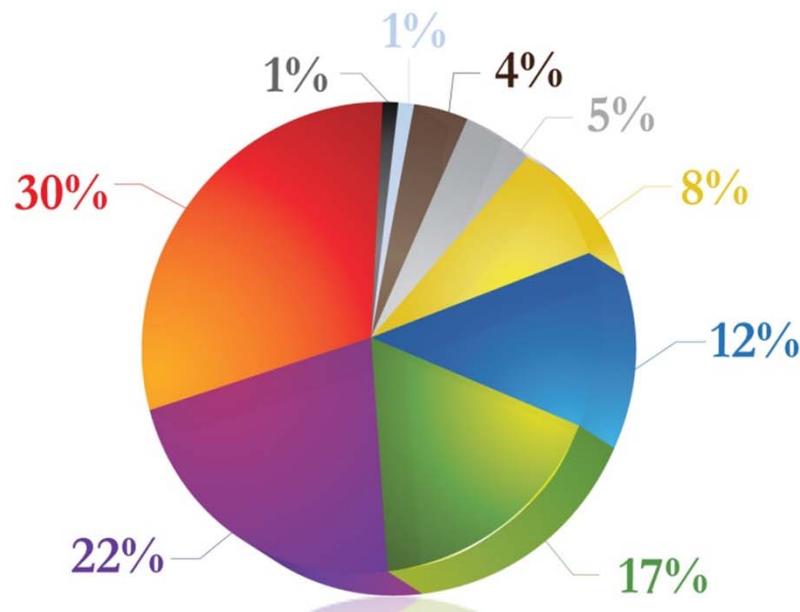
## Web Vulnerabilities by Class (commercial applications)



- Misc.
- Cross-Site Scripting
- SQL Injection
- Web Browser
- Path (Directory) Traversal
- Authentication & Authorization
- Web Server

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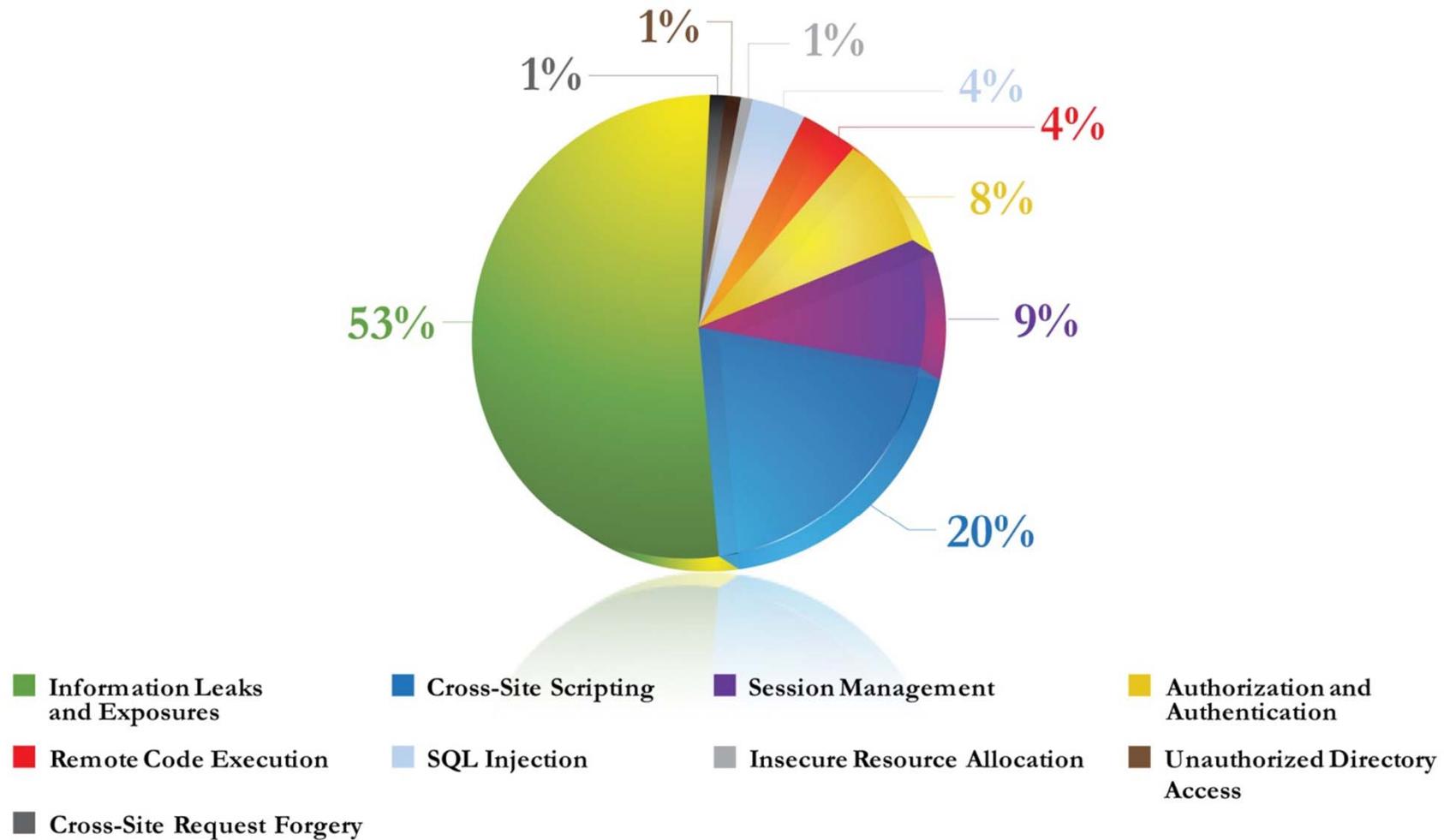
## Breakdown of the Miscellaneous Category



- Buffer Errors
- Permissions, Privileges and Access Control
- Code Injection
- Input Validation
- Information Leak/Disclosure
- Cross-Site Request Forgery
- Media Players
- Link Following
- Command Injection

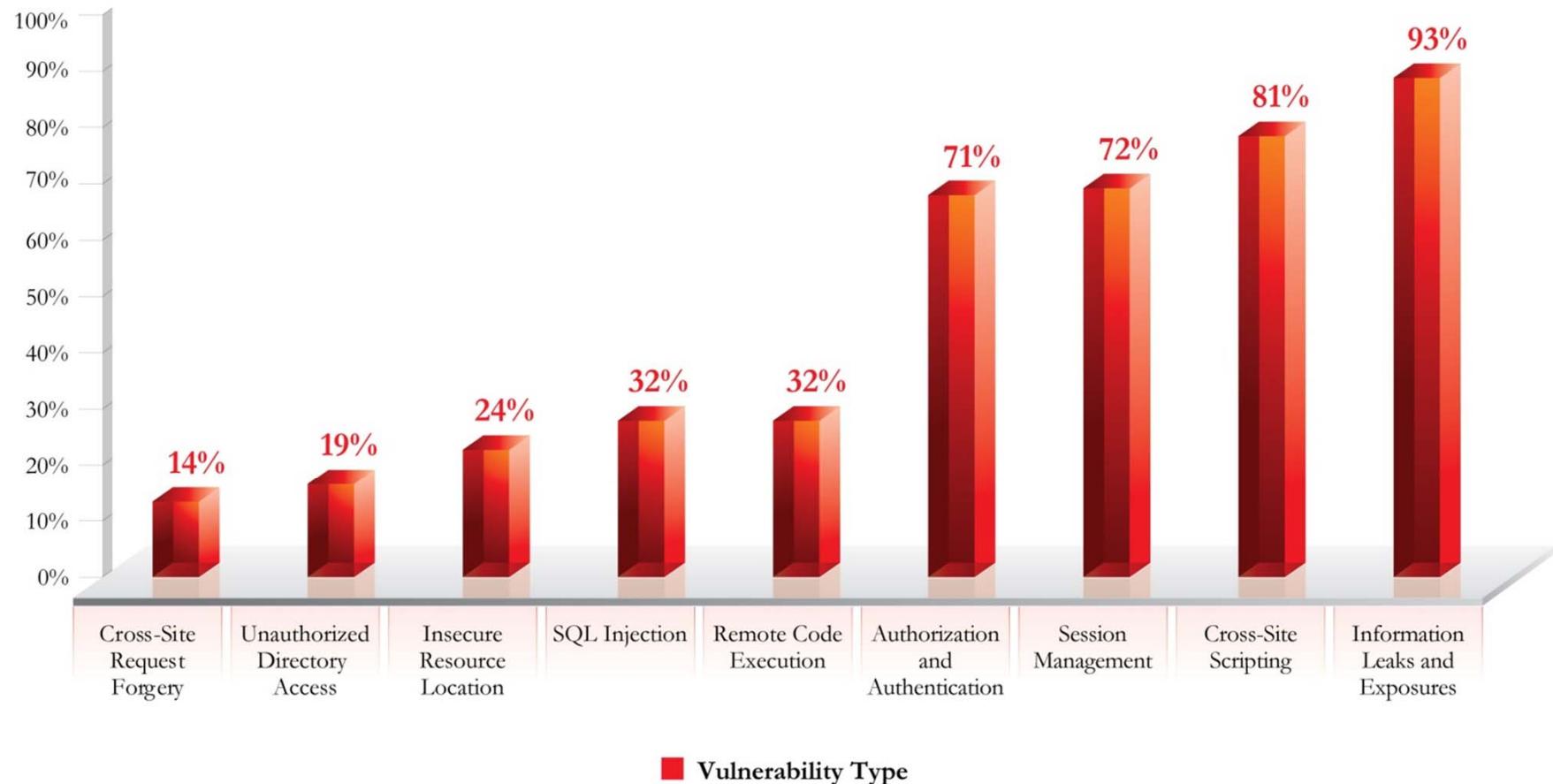
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## Web Vulnerabilities by Class (proprietary applications)



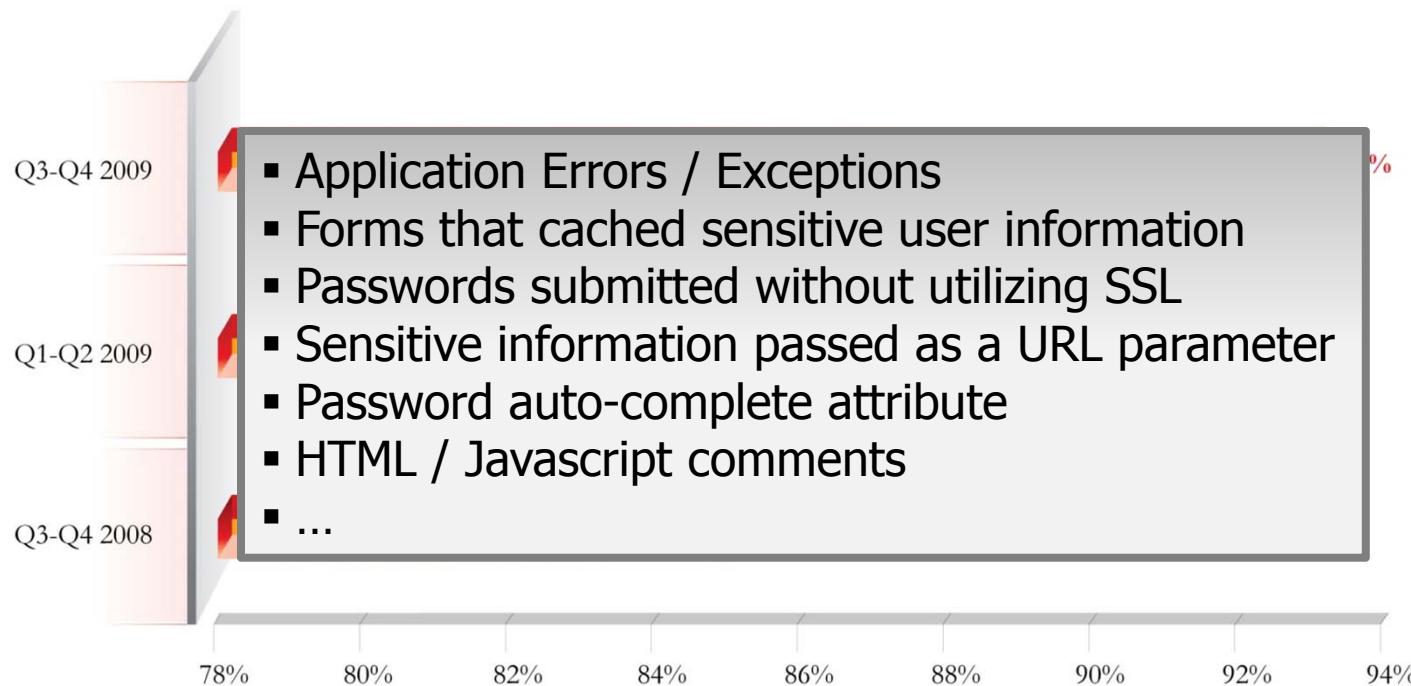
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## Percentage of Applications with Vulnerability Type (proprietary apps)



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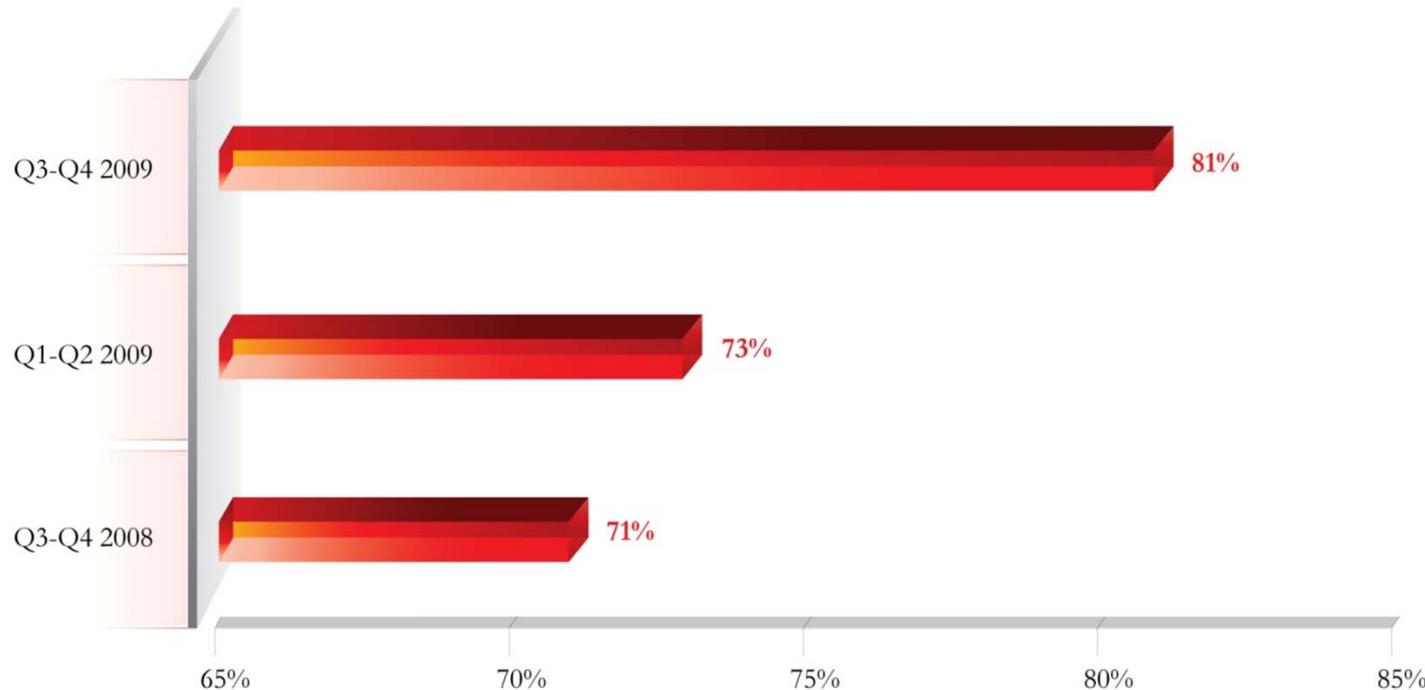
## Information Leaks and Exposures (93%)



### Percentage of Vulnerabilities

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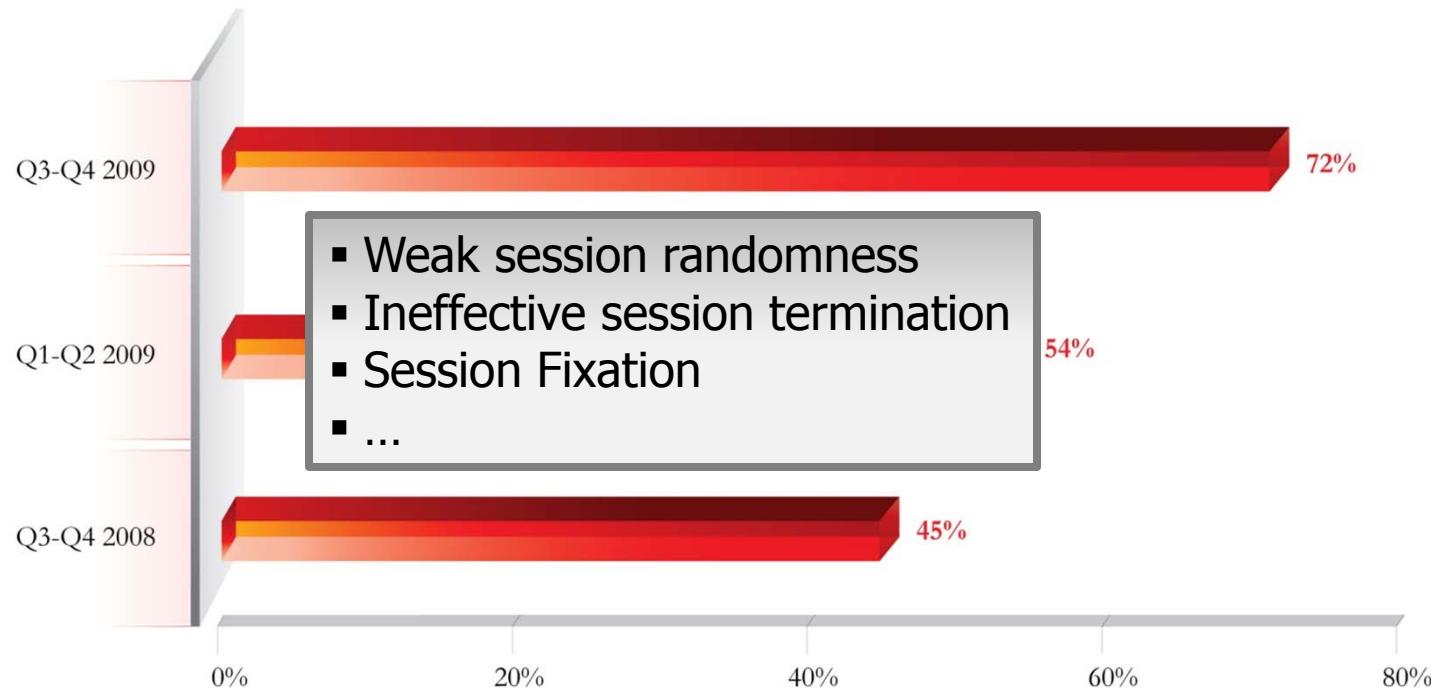
## Cross-Site Scripting (81%)



### Percentage of Vulnerabilities

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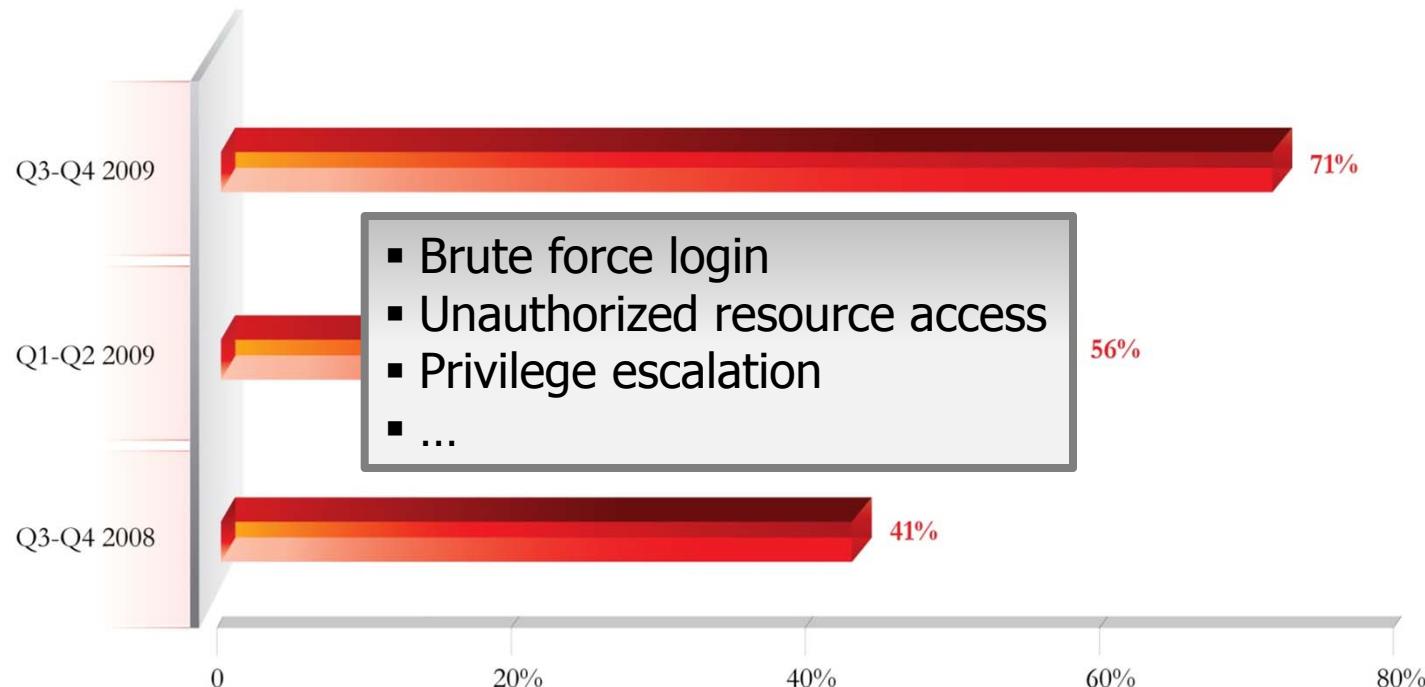
## Session Management (72%)



## Percentage of Vulnerabilities

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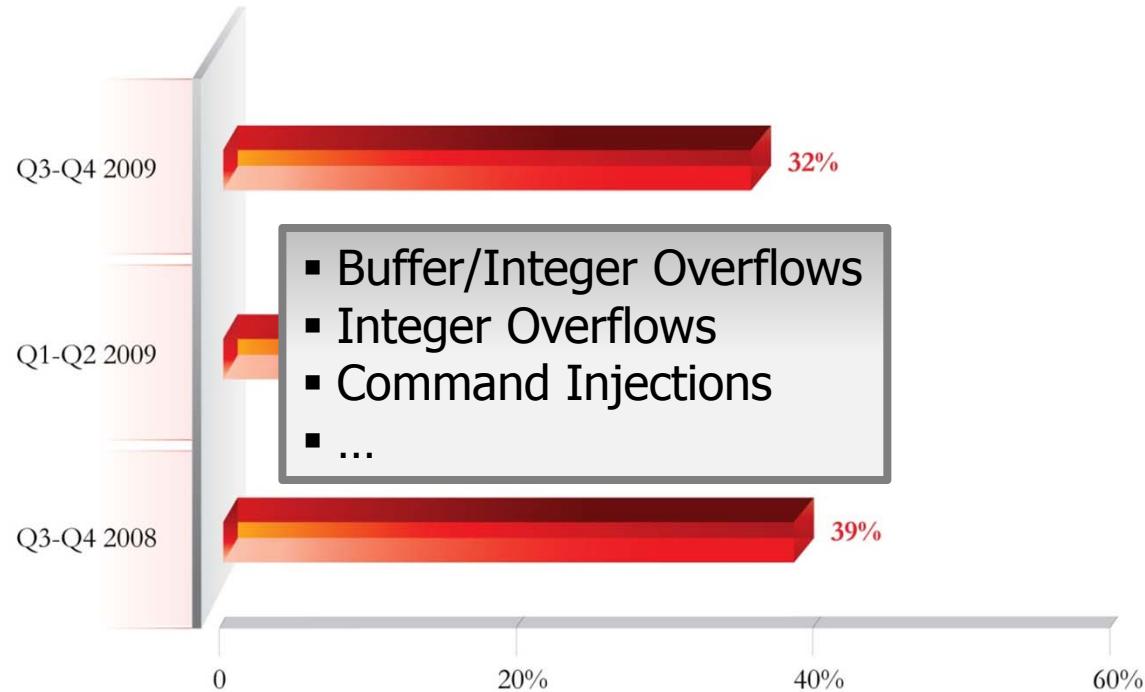
## Authorization and Authentication Flaws (71%)



### Percentage of Vulnerabilities

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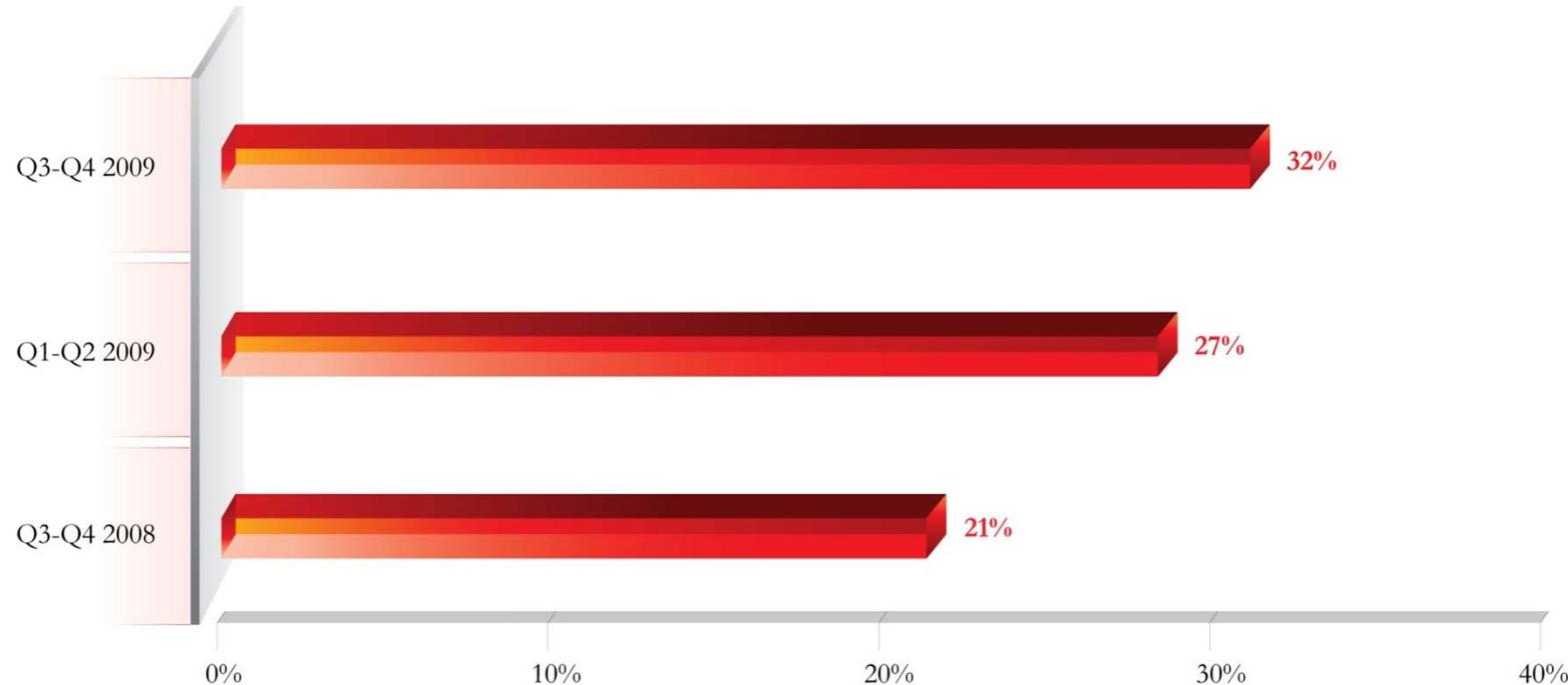
## Remote Code Execution (32%)



## Percentage of Vulnerabilities

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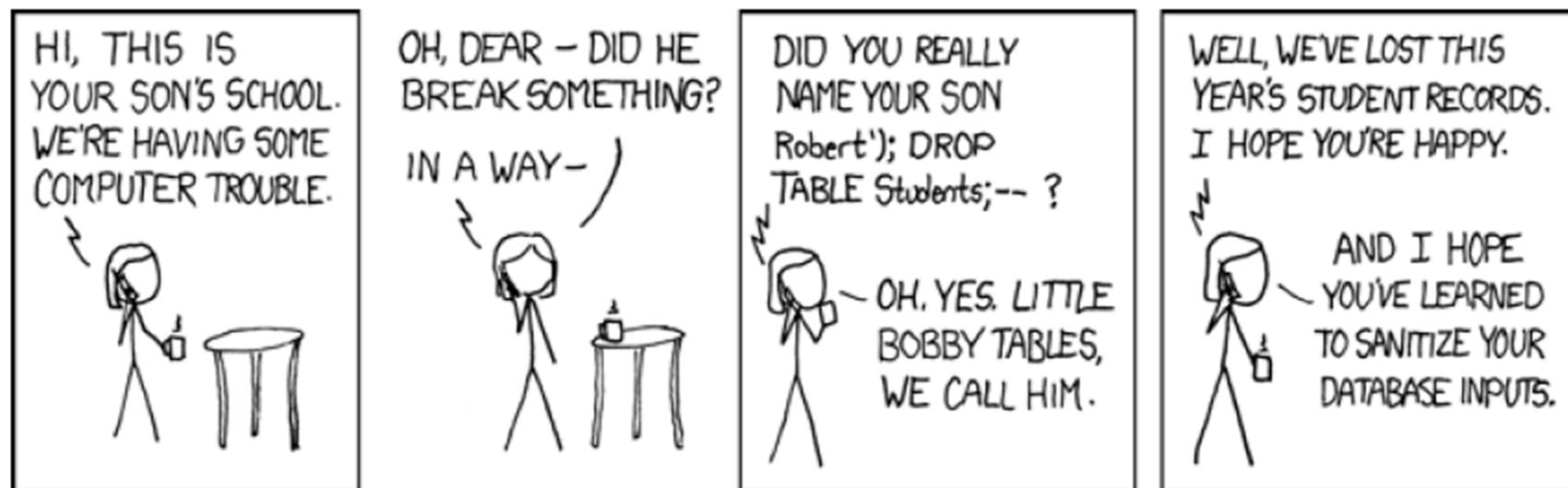
## SQL Injection (32%)



### Percentage of Vulnerabilities

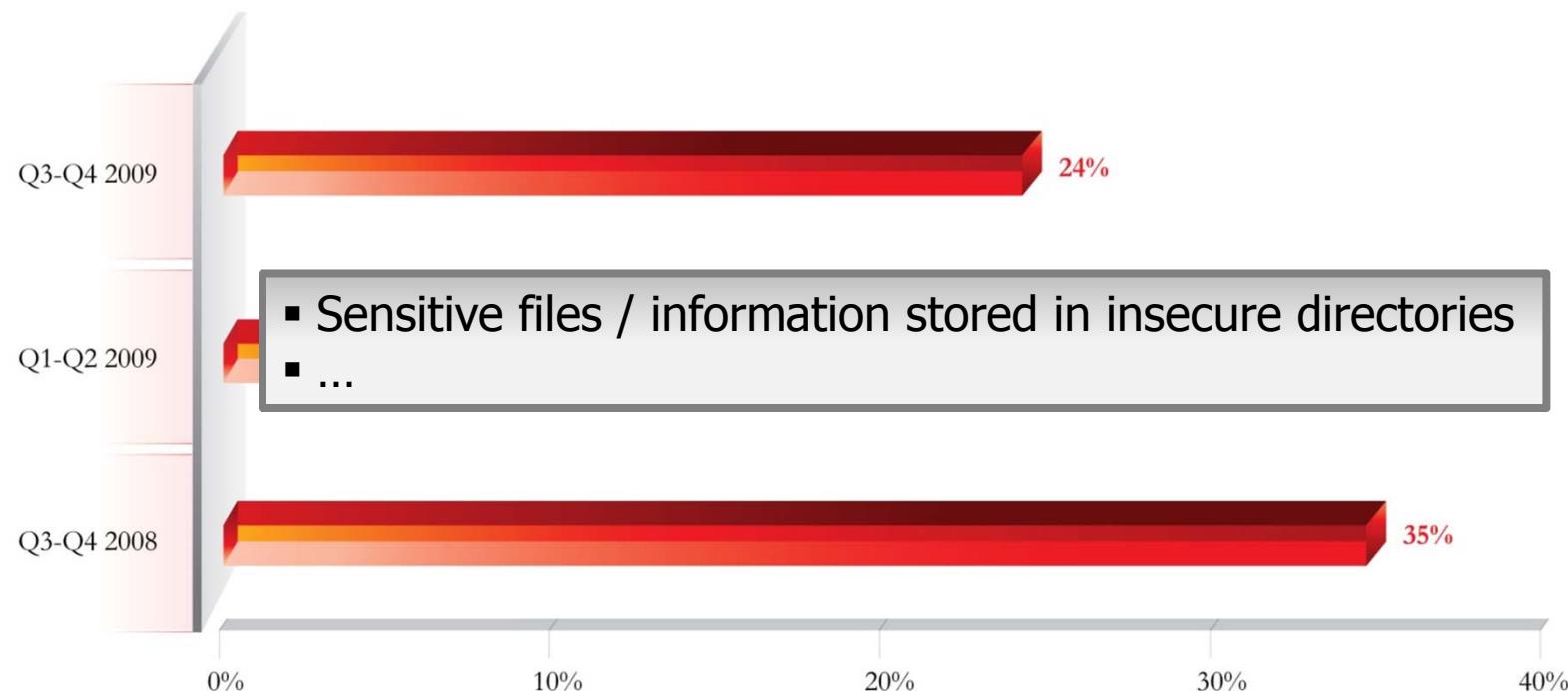
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# Robert'); DROP TABLE Students;--



<http://xkcd.com>

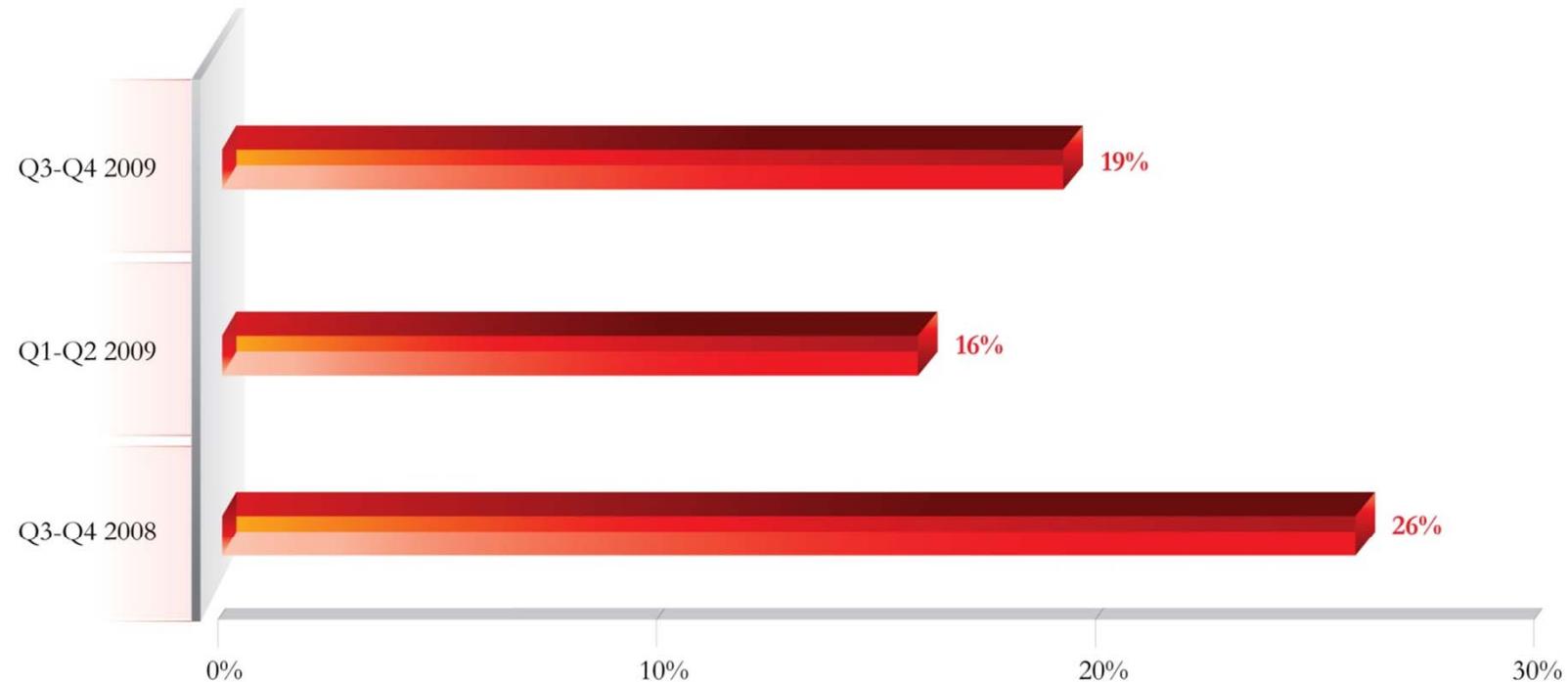
## Insecure Resource Location (24%)



### Percentage of Vulnerabilities

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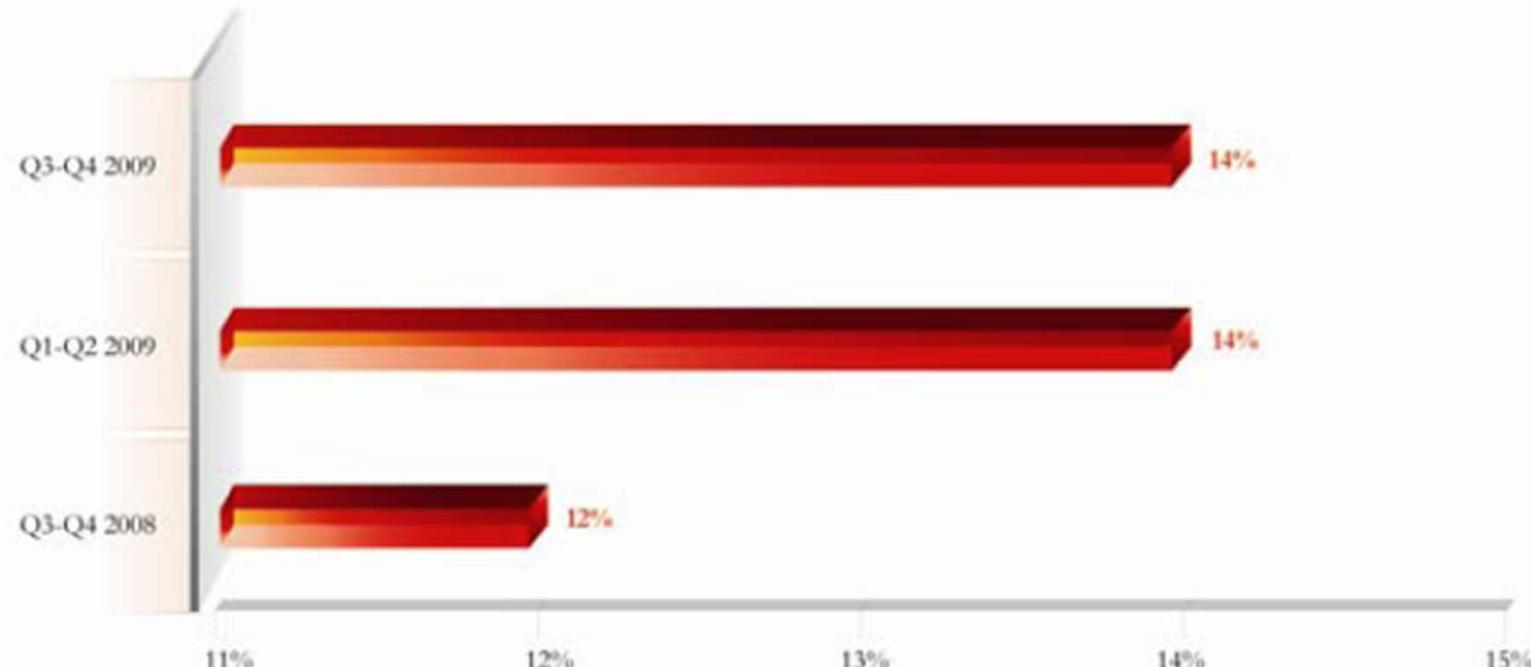
## Unauthorized Directory Access (19%)



### Percentage of Vulnerabilities

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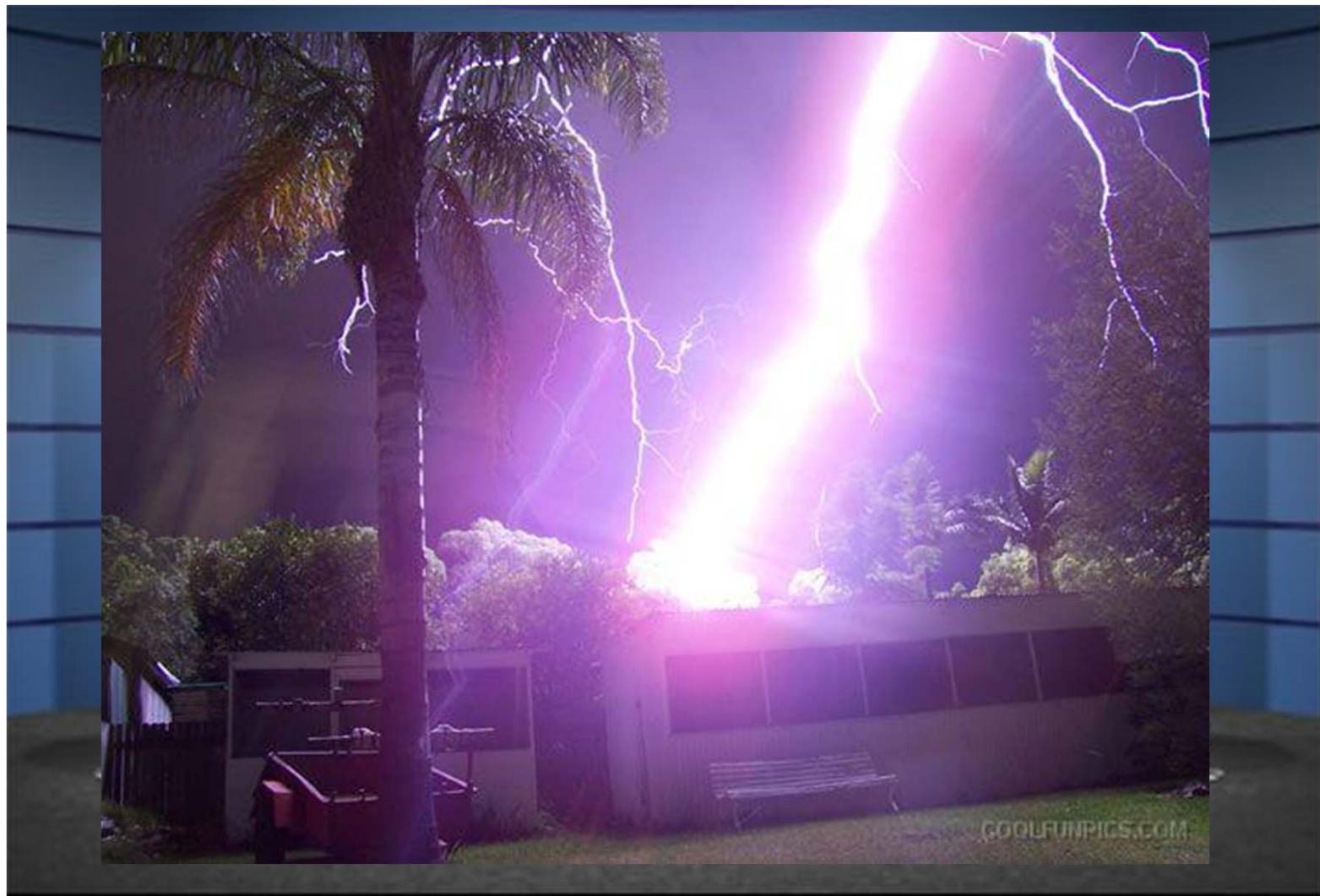
## Cross-Site Request Forgery (14%)



Percentage of Vulnerabilities

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# And The 6-Day Forecast?



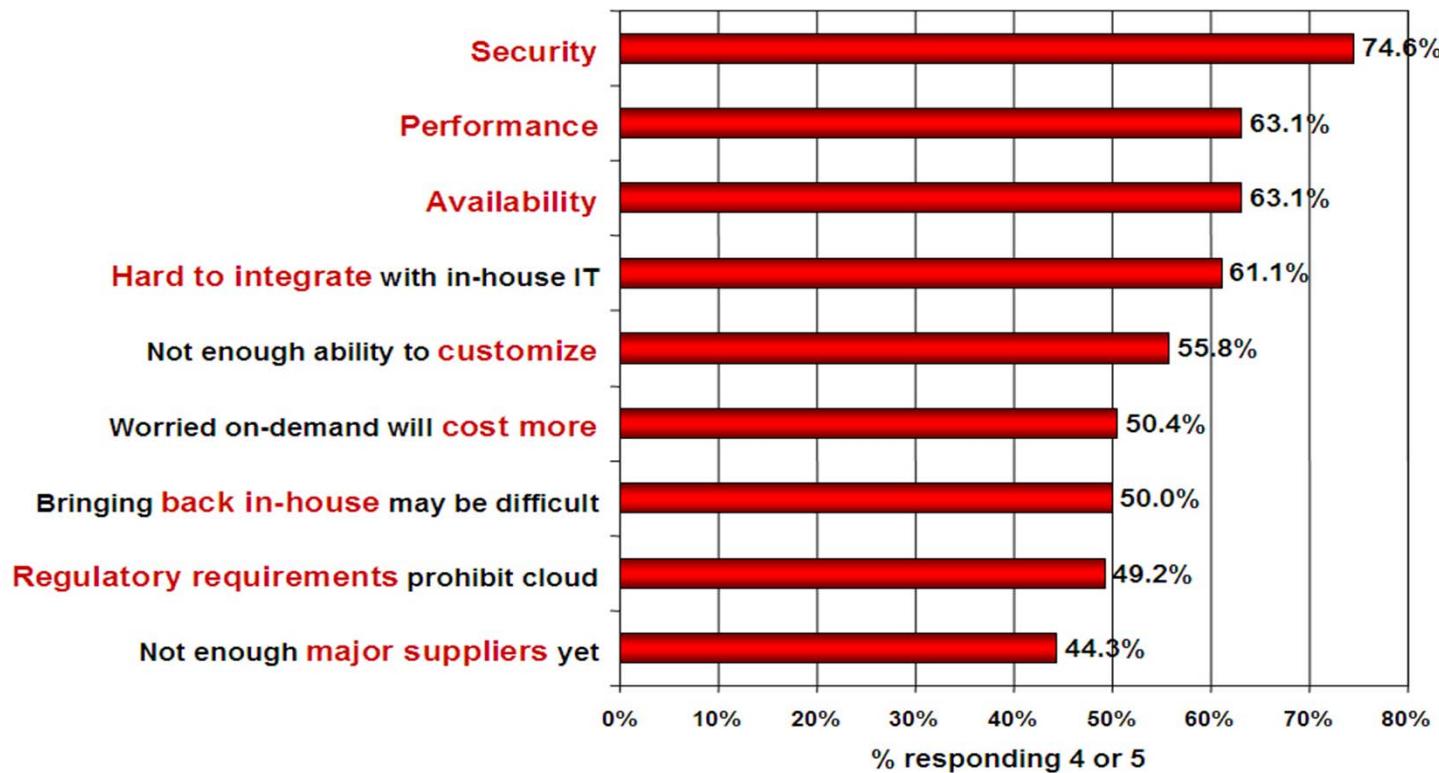
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# Cloud Security



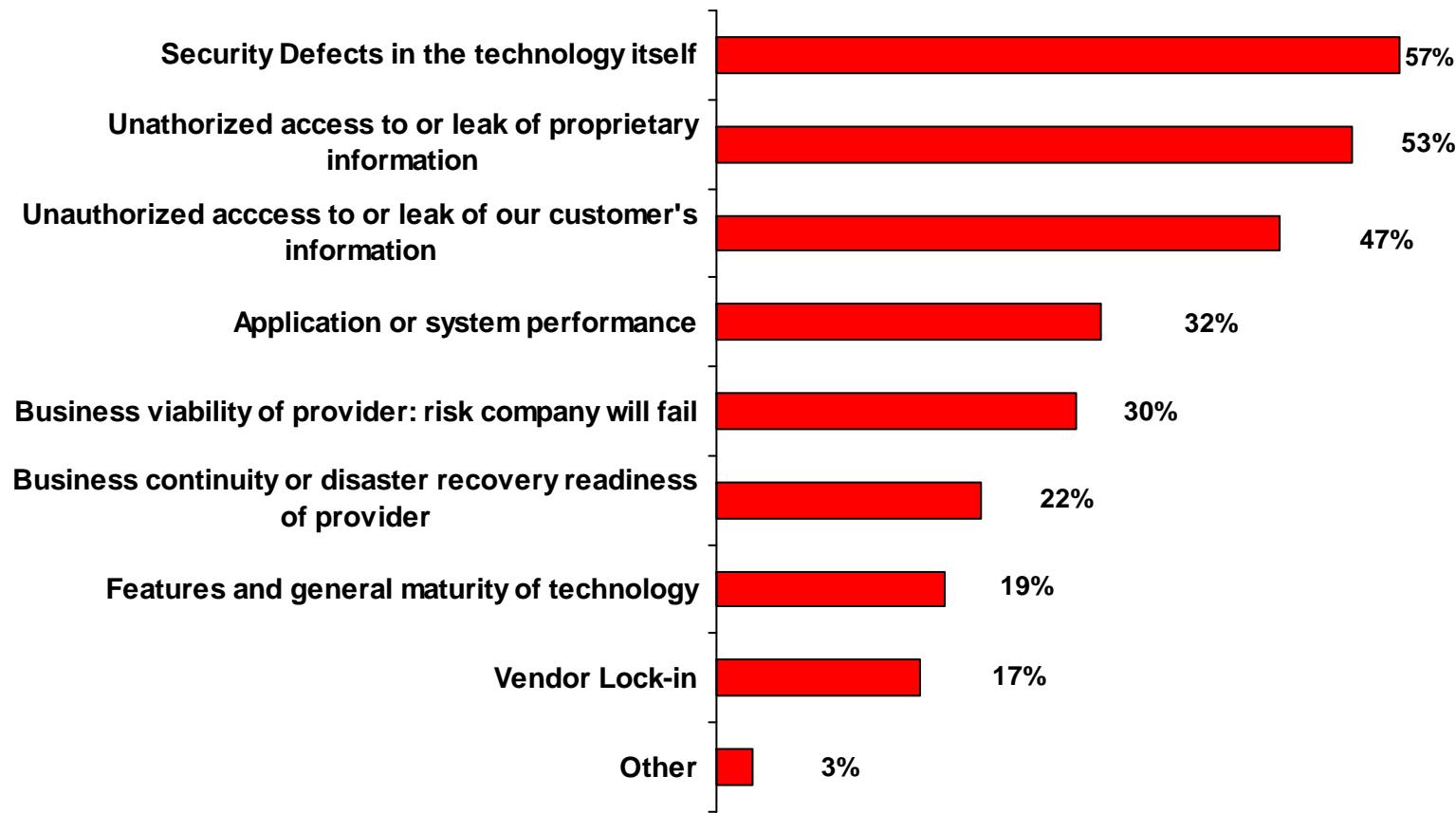
# Cloud Security – A Big Issue

**Q: Rate the challenges/issues ascribed to the 'cloud'/on-demand model**  
(1=not significant, 5=very significant)



Source: IDC Enterprise Panel, August 2008 n=244

# Cloud Security – A Big Issue



Source: Information Week Analytics (547 respondents)

# Cloud And Security

- Exposure is similar to any Web apps – but on a potentially massive scale
- Security boundaries and attack surfaces are often only partially understood
- Proliferation of Mashups and 'open' APIs that favor 'experience' over security
- Does security ownership transfer to the cloud infrastructure / platform provider?
- What happens in case of a breach? Who's responsible?
- Often organizations are still figuring out the "Functionality / Usability" aspects of their cloud strategy...

*"Security is usually the last component added to any new technology, and cloud computing is no exception."* – **Mark Nicolett, Gartner**



# Top 5 Myths of Web Application Security

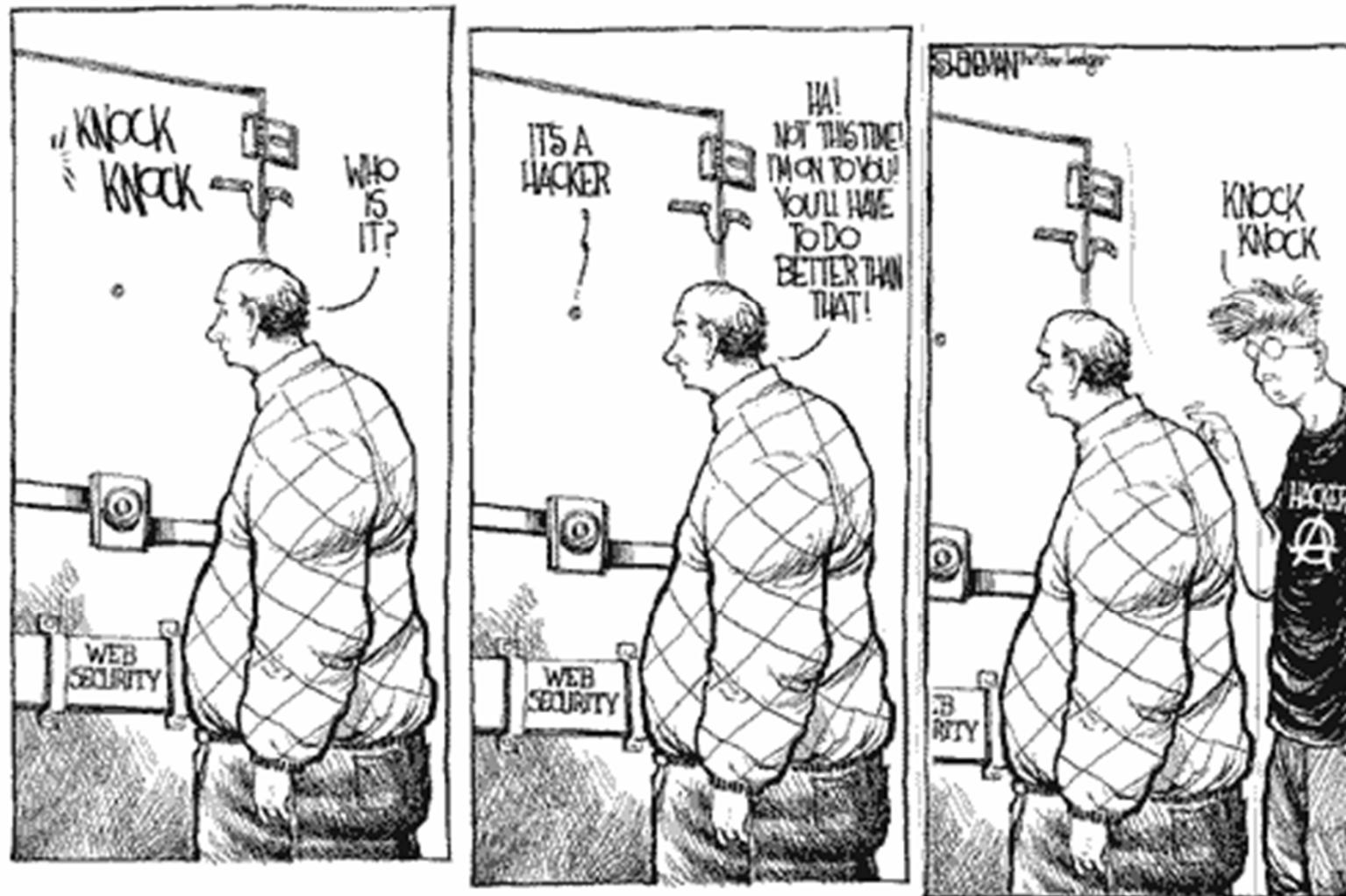
1. We use SSL so that'll protect my Web site
  - ▶ SSL ≠ App Security
2. We have never been hacked
  - ▶ How do you know?
3. We're PCI compliant
  - ▶ Heartland, Hannaford...
4. We test some of our Web applications once a year
  - ▶ Any vulnerable site is your weakest link
5. Too expensive
  - ▶ Many flexible options to get you jump started



Learn more: App Security MythBusters Videos

<http://www.cenzic.com/resources/videos/mythbusters/>

# The Hacker World



# Hackers: What Motivates Them?

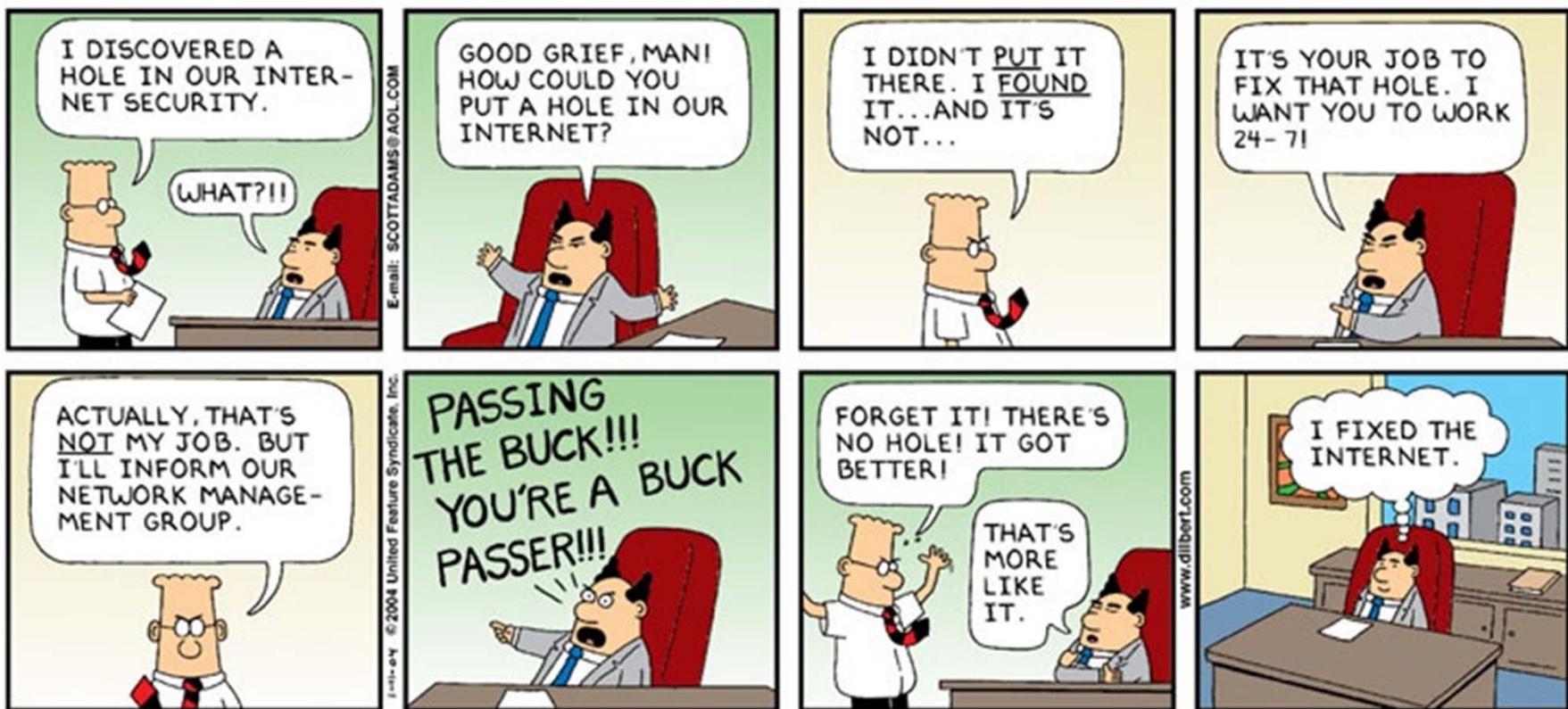
- Hackers stole **\$1.2 million in 30 minutes** from Sugarland Corporation & **\$9M in a few hours** from RBS World Pay
- Hackers get paid ~ **\$10,000 / week**

Avg Rates Hackers Get for Stolen Information, *Symantec Threat Report – 2009*

| Overall Rank<br>2009 | Overall Rank<br>2008 | Item                               | Percentage<br>2009 | Percentage<br>2008 | Range of Prices        |
|----------------------|----------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------------|
| 1                    | 1                    | Credit card information            | 19%                | 32%                | \$0.85-\$30            |
| 2                    | 2                    | Bank account credentials           | 19%                | 19%                | \$15-\$850             |
| 3                    | 3                    | Email accounts                     | 7%                 | 5%                 | \$1-\$20               |
| 4                    | 4                    | Email addresses                    | 7%                 | 5%                 | \$1.70/MB-\$15/MB      |
| 5                    | 9                    | Shell scripts                      | 6%                 | 3%                 | \$2-\$5                |
| 6                    | 6                    | Full identities                    | 5%                 | 4%                 | \$0.70-\$20            |
| 7                    | 13                   | Credit card dumps                  | 5%                 | 2%                 | \$4-\$150              |
| 8                    | 7                    | Mailers                            | 4%                 | 3%                 | \$4-\$10               |
| 9                    | 8                    | Cash-out services                  | 4%                 | 3%                 | \$0-\$600 plus 50%-60% |
| 10                   | 12                   | Website administration credentials | 4%                 | 3%                 | \$2-\$30               |

# Why So Little Industry Progress?

- Functionality & Usability tend to almost always win over security
- Time-to-market is the name of the game
- Security continues to be an afterthought
- Very limited security related education
- Experts are still hard to find (compared to other disciplines)
- Many organizations still struggle to find a scalable and persistent security approach
- Stakeholders still “don’t always get it” ...



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# How To Best Dress For Bad Weather



# Best App Security Practices

- Analyze and know your security boundaries and attack surfaces
- Beware of reliance on client-side security measures
  - Always implement strong server side input & parameter validation (black & whitelisting)
  - Test against a robust set of evasion rules
  - Remember: The client can never be trusted!
- Assume the worst case scenario for all 3<sup>rd</sup> party interactions
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> parties can inherently not be trusted!

# Best App Security Practices (contd.)

- Implement anti-CSRF defenses
- Escape special characters before sending them to the browser (e.g. < to &lt; ;)
- Leverage HTTPS for sensitive data, use `HTTPOnly` & `Secure` cookie flags
- Use parameterized SQL for any DB queries
- Implement a comprehensive, solid exception handling architecture
- Don not disclose any stack trace, debug log, or path information or failed SQL statements to users
- Use strong tokens with strong randomness

# Best App Security Practices (contd.)

- Implement a comprehensive, solid exception handling architecture
  - Default error handler which returns sanitized error message for all error paths
  - Do not disclose any stack trace, debug log, or path information or failed SQL statements to users

# Best App Security Practices (contd.)

- Beware of weak / faulty session management
  - Use strong authentication mechanism (e.g. two factor)
  - Implement strong session termination / logout mechanism
  - Avoid weak passwords & weak change / forgot password mechanisms
  - And always remember: The strongest authentication won't help if session management vulnerabilities exist!

# Best App Security Practices (contd.)

- Beware of weak / faulty session management (contd.)
  - Implement strong logout functionality (with invalidation of session tokens & deletion of session & state on server)
  - Implement session expiration with same results as strong logout (after e.g. 5 or 10 minutes)
  - Ideally do not allow concurrent logins
  - Terminate sessions when attacks are detected
- Also see [owasp.org](http://owasp.org) and OWASP dev guide

# Security In The Real World ...



It's true, you might not be able to outrun the bear, but let's not forget, all you have to do is outrun your competition!

# Things to Remember

- Attackers can be extremely creative and overcome various defense mechanisms
- Never assume you're safe just because you've implemented a few basic defenses
- Never underestimate your opponent!

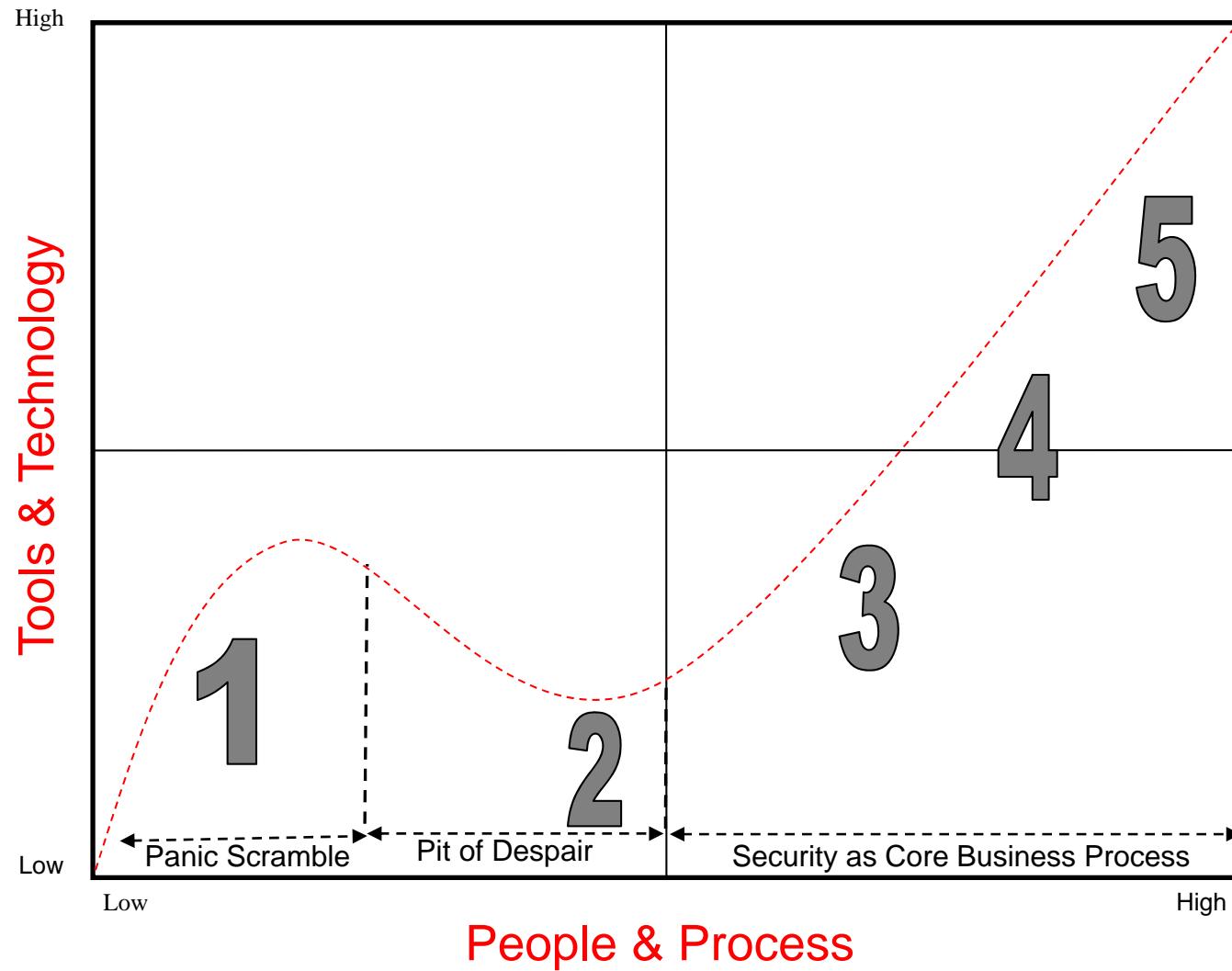


# Web Security Matrix -

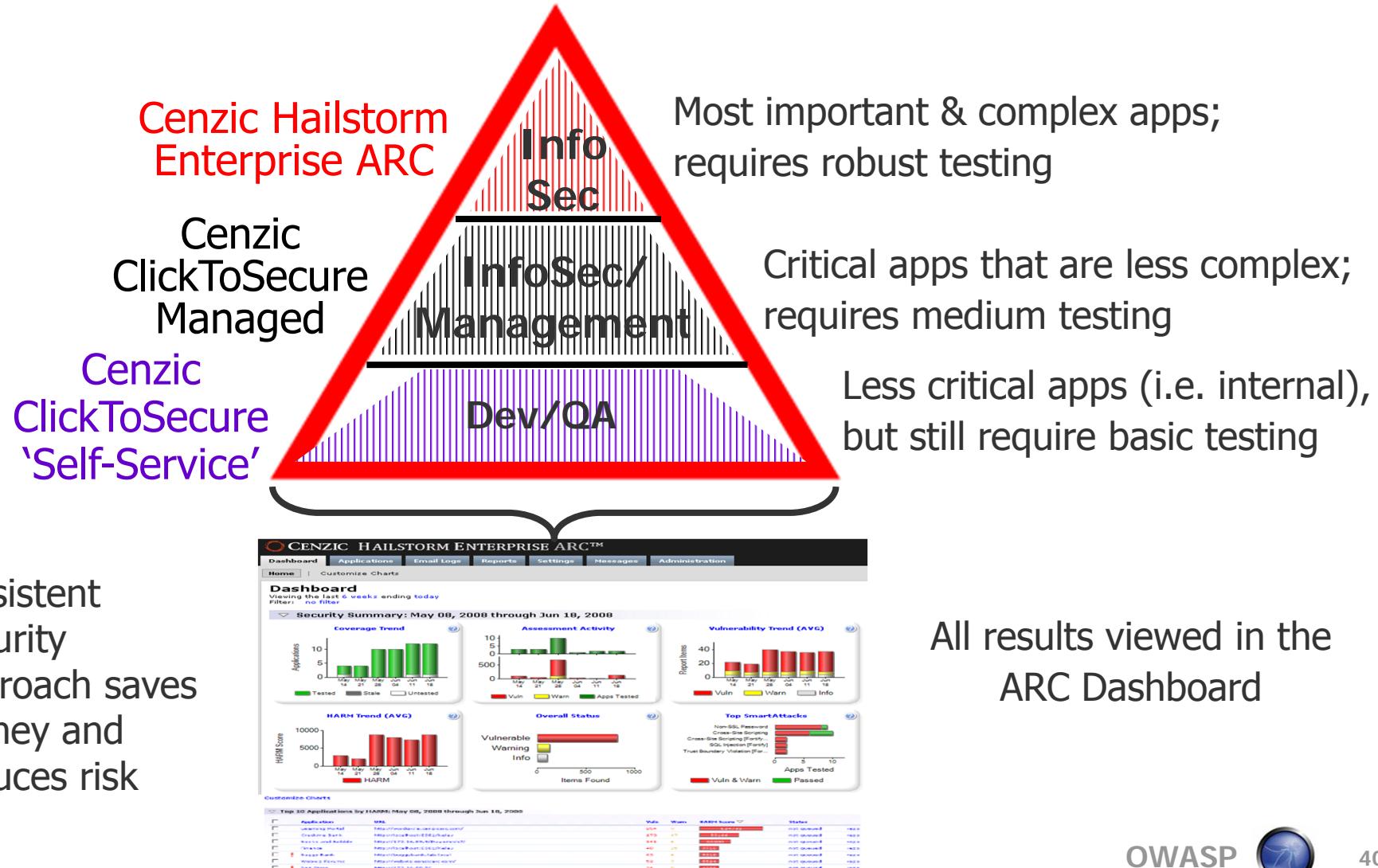
## Goal: Attain Stage 5

|          | Areas of Testing /<br>People involved  | # of Attacks                            | Testing Freq                       |
|----------|--|---|------------------------------------|
| <b>1</b> | No areas tested ><br><b>No People</b>  | N/A                                     | N/A                                |
| <b>2</b> | Intermittent testing of Dev, QA >><br><b>InfoSec (or just 1 person)</b>  | Basic 5 – 10<br>attacks                 | Test once or<br>twice              |
| <b>3</b> | Dev / QA Tested, Testing pre-prod<br>apps > <b>InfoSec, Mgmt (few people)</b>  | Intrusive attacks                       | Test every<br>year                 |
| <b>4</b> | Dev, QA & Safe testing of Production<br>apps ><br><b>Execs, InfoSec, Dev (more people, but<br/>no standardization)</b> | Infrastructure +<br>(non)-intrusive     | Testing every<br>6 mo              |
| <b>5</b> | Dev, QA, and full production Tested ><br><b>Execs, InfoSec, Dev, QA (most of the<br/>company is security driven)</b>   | Application logic<br>tests + all others | Continuous<br>Testing /<br>monthly |

# Application Security Maturity Model



# 3 Products 1 Risk Management Dashboard



# Risk Management Dashboard

**Tells which apps have been tested**

**Web Interface**

**Tells vulnerability levels**

**Finds and lists all applications**

**Quantitatively tells how severe the risk is for each app**

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Logged in as Administrator (Logout) | Help

**Dashboard**

**Coverage Trend ▾**

| Month  | Tested | Stale | Untested |
|--------|--------|-------|----------|
| Mar 29 | ~10    | ~35   | ~15      |
| Apr 29 | ~10    | ~35   | ~15      |
| May 29 | ~10    | ~35   | ~15      |

**Vulnerability Trend**

| Month  | Vuln | Warn | Info |
|--------|------|------|------|
| Mar 29 | ~40  | ~5   | ~5   |
| Apr 29 | ~35  | ~5   | ~5   |
| May 29 | ~35  | ~5   | ~5   |

**HARM Trend (AVG) ▾**

| Month  | HARM  |
|--------|-------|
| Mar 29 | ~8500 |
| Apr 29 | ~4500 |
| May 29 | ~4500 |

**Overall Status ▾**

| Status     | Count |
|------------|-------|
| Vulnerable | ~1500 |
| Warning    | ~100  |
| Info       | ~500  |

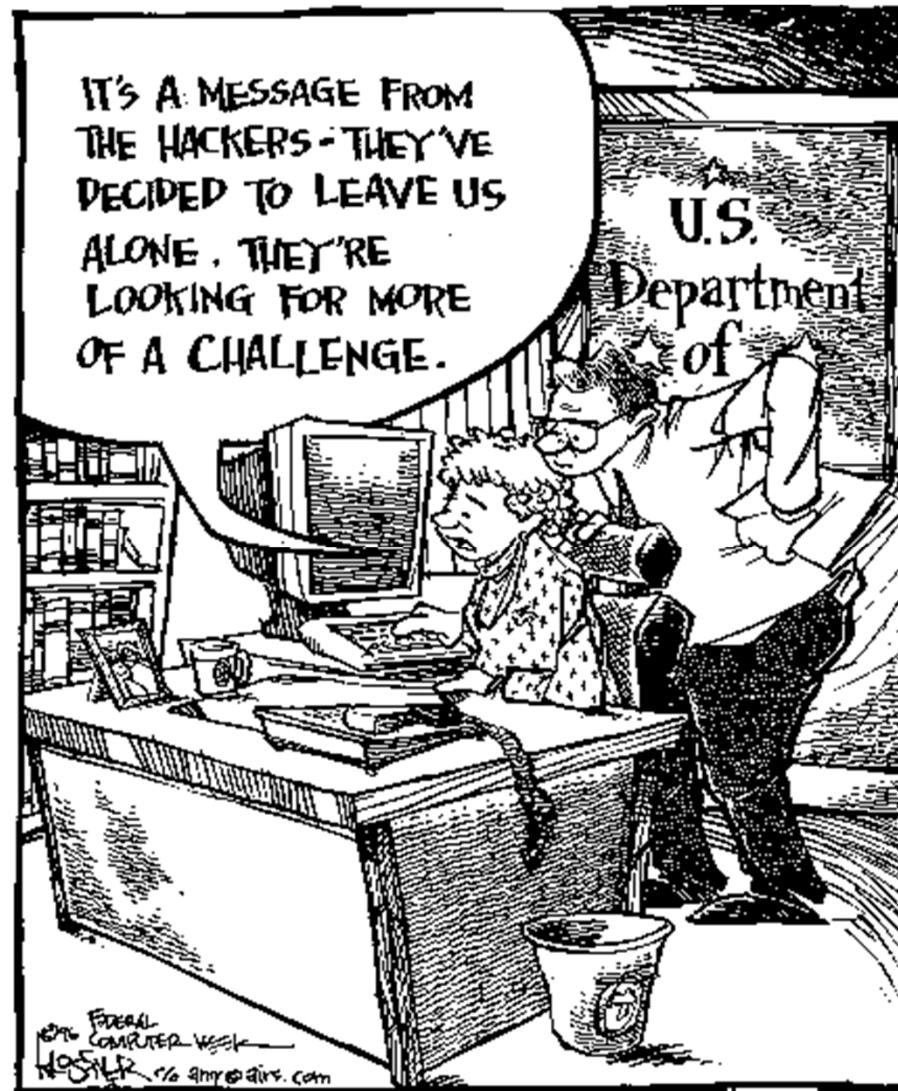
**Top SmartAttacks ▾**

| Attack Type                       | Count |
|-----------------------------------|-------|
| Cross-Site Scripting              | ~10   |
| Non-SSL Password                  | ~5    |
| Cross-Site Scripting (Verify)     | ~2    |
| Cross-Site Scripting (Secure)     | ~3    |
| Non-SSL Passwords (Password Sync) | ~2    |

**Top 10 Applications by HARM: Mar 01, 2009 through May 29, 2009**

| Application            | URL   | Vuln | Warn | HARM Score | Status | Action     |        |
|------------------------|---|------|------|------------|--------|------------|--------|
| Crackme Bank           | http://localhost:8081/  | 98   | 94   | 25         | 45083  | not queued | report |
| Learning Portal        | http://wordcircle.cenarc.com/                                   | 109  | 33   | 1          | 40062  | queued     | report |
| HacmeBank              | http://172.16.17.7/HacmeBank_v2_Website/aspx/Login.aspx?lmsg... | 4    | 63   | 5          | 32164  | not queued | report |
| WebGoat                | http://172.16.17.7:8080/WebGoat/attack                          | 58   | 6    | 129        | 30012  | not queued | report |
| Hacme Casino           | http://172.16.18.18:3000/                                       | 1    | 59   | 10         | 29446  | not queued | report |
| Sample Web Application | http://localhost:8081/kelev/view/cleardb.php                    | 62   | 36   | 24         | 28176  | not queued | report |

# Sophistication of Hackers ...



# Meets Unprepared Users ...



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