# **Cyber-Threats and Countermeasures in Financial Sector**



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## **CYBERSECURITY**

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# **Potential Targets: All Types of Industries**

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#### AIRLINE CYBER ATTACKS

#### VIETNAM AIRLINES 29 July 2016

A website breach by hackers released confidential customer data, including the names, addresses and birthdates of 400,000 members of Vietnam Airlines' frequent flyers' club. The hackers accessed screens displaying Vietnam Airlines' flight information, and took over the tannoy system, airing political messages regarding China's claims to the South China Sea.

#### LOT 21 June 2015

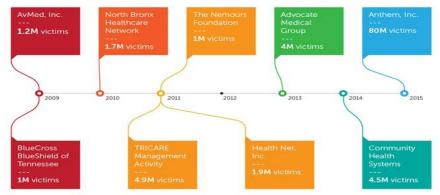
More than 1,400 passengers at Warsaw's Frederic Chopin Airport were grounded due to a cyber-attack. The incident prevented the airline from creating flight plans, grounding scheduled flights until the issue was resolved.

#### BRITISH AIRWAYS 27 March 2015

British Airways reported that the accounts of its frequent flyer programme were compromised, as members were sharing credentials on another online service that could have been hacked. Tens of thousands of British Airways Executive Club accounts of were broken into via credentials stolen from a third party – and the attackers managed to redeem members' reward points.

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# NOTABLE HEALTHCARE BREACHES



# **Attack Examples: Money & Capital Loss**

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"How Hackers Stole \$80 Million from Bangladesh Bank"

18th of May, 2016

September, 2017











"Massive Equifax Data Breach Could Affect Half of the U.S. Population" (145,5M)

Equifax, Inc. Stock Chart



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"The attack on Bangladesh's central bank that let hackers stole over \$80 Million from the institutes' Federal Reserve bank account was reportedly caused due to the Malware installed on the Bank's computer systems"

"A typo in some transaction prevented a further \$850 Million Heist"

# **Attack Examples: Blackmail (Ransomware)**



# Insider vs Outsider: Threats' Origin

Insider Threats: Originate from within a business. Can include any party that introduces risk through malicious of unintentional behavior.

Outsider Threats: Originate from external sources. Can be any threat actor that isn't affiliated with the business directly.



## **Employees**



## Cybercriminals



**Business Partners** 



#### **Hacktivists**



Contractors



Competition - sponsored attackers



Compromised Internal Accounts



Nation - sponsored attackers

## Insider vs Outsider: Threats' Motives



## **Insider Threats**







Financial Gain





Corporate or Nation – Sponsored espionage





Political or Military Advantage



Outside Influence (Competitor/Nation State/Criminals)



Political or Social Change

# Insider vs Outsider: Threats' Targets

## **Insider Threats**



Intellectual Property and Trade
Secretes



Business Plans and Corporate Secrets



Products and R&D Information



Source Code



**Personal Information** 



Financial Information

## **Outsider Threats**



### Cybercriminals

- Likely Targets:
  - Financial and Personal information



#### **Hackivists**

- Likely Targets:
  - Corporate Secrets & Business Information



### Competition Sponsored Attackers

- Likely Targets:
  - Trade Secrets & Business Plans



#### Nation - Sponsored Attackers

- Likely Targets:
  - Trade secrets
  - Business Information
  - Critical Infrastructure
  - Employee/Customer Personal Information

## Insider vs Outsider: Threats' Methods



## **Insider Threats**

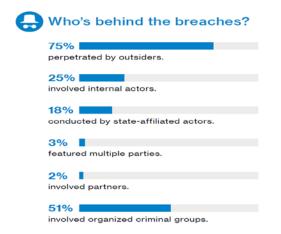
## **Outsider Threats**



## **Outsider Insider vs Outsider: Threats' Attacks**



Source: 2016 Ponemon Instutute





Malicious Insider Attacks Are:

Much More Costly than Outsider Attacks

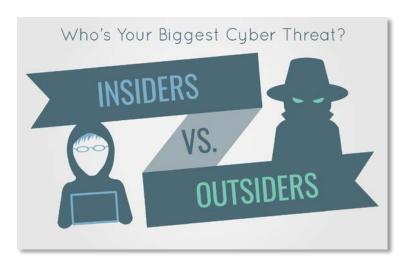


Outsider Attack Methods like DDoS and Web Attacks Are:

More Prevalent Than Attacks By Malicious insiders

Source: 2017 Verizon, Data Breach Investigation Report

# **Are Insiders or Outsiders BIGGER Threat to Your Business?**





Careless Insider



Malicious or Criminal Insider



THE MOST LIKELY ROOT CAUSES OF DATA BREACHES ARE:



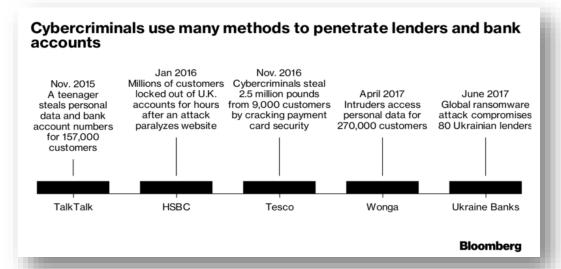
External Attacker



Combined Insider and External Attacker

# Target: Customers Attack Methods & Impact







### **Attack Methods**

- Phishing
- Identity Theft
- Account Takeover
- Malware
- Card Fraud

## **Impact**

- Financial Loss
- Reputational Damage
- (Dramatic) Customer Base Shrinkage
- Penalties / Compensations
- Legal Implications

## **Countermeasures for Internal and External Threats**

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## **PROCESSES**

- Policies
- Procedures
- Guidelines
- Technical Standards



### **PEOPLE**

- Security Awareness
- Training

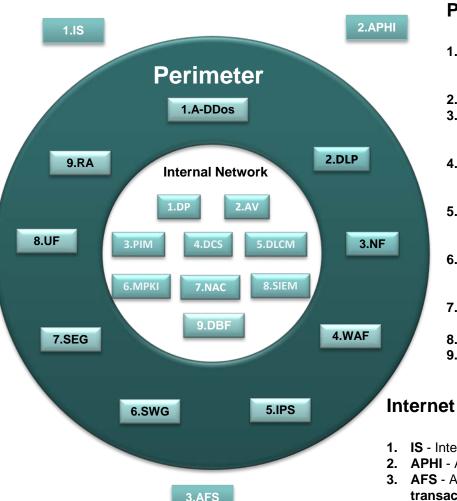


**TECHNOLOGY** 

#### **Internal Network**

- 1. **DP** Directory Policies
- 2. AV AntiVirus
- 3. PIM Privileged Identity Management
- **4. DCS** Database Compliance System
- **5. DLCM** Data Life-Cycle Management
- **6. MPKI**-Managed Public Key Infrastructure
- NAC Network Access Control: Allow only authorized Devices to Connect to Network (wired or wireless)
- 8. SIEM Security Information & Event Management: From several billion alerts per month a few cases are investigated leading to successful resolution of all high severity incidents
- 9. DBF Data Base Firewall

#### Internet



#### **Perimeter**

- A-DDoS Anti-Distributed Denial of Service: Up to Tenths of serious DDos attacks per month
- 2. DLP Data Loss Prevention
- 3. NF Network Firewall: Several million attacks per month, are successfully confronted
- 4. WAF WEB Application Firewall: Thousands attacks per week are successfully confronted
- 5. IPS Intrusion Prevention Systems: Thousands of attacks per week are successfully confronted
- 6. SWG Secure Web Gateway: Several billion attacks per month, are successfully confronted
- SEG Secure Email Gateway: Millions rejects per week
- 8. UF URL Filtering
- 9. RA Remote Access

- 1. IS Internet Surveillance
- 2. APHI Anti-Phishing
- 3. AFS Anti-Fraud Services: From several million transactions per month several thousand malicious transactions are blocked

# Steps taken to address Cybersecurity risks

We can't eliminate the risk of cyber attacks, but we can minimize their consequences. Five (5) things we do to combat cybersecurity risks:



#### Own the Risk

- Cyber risk is owned by leadership and is not relegated to the IT function.
- Periodic cybersecurity briefings are provided to the Board and C-Suite.



#### Prioritize Initiatives

- Leadership prioritizes and monitors cybersecurity investments.
- Investments are made in new capability, not just technology.
- Critical Assets are identified and their protection prioritized.



#### Learn and Incorporate

• Work with leading various external parties, share information on current threats and incorporate learnings into our own cybersecurity strategy and tactics.



#### Enhance Culture

- A security culture and mindset is established through training, measurement and evaluation.
- Behaviors and capabilities of the organization are established and reinforce the importance of cybersecurity.



#### Secure the Business

- Security of the business value chain including suppliers, third party providers and high-risk interconnection points is considered.
- Adapt to the challenges of new and emerging digital business models.

Source: PwC