The SMB Cyber Security Survival Guide

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The challenge

- A data security breach can put a business out of business or create serious unbudgeted costs
- To survive in today's hostile environment SMBs must
 - Hold the line against older threats like physical theft and corrupt insiders, while addressing more recent concerns like spear-phishing, online scams, fraud and company data on mobile devices (which may not belong to the company)

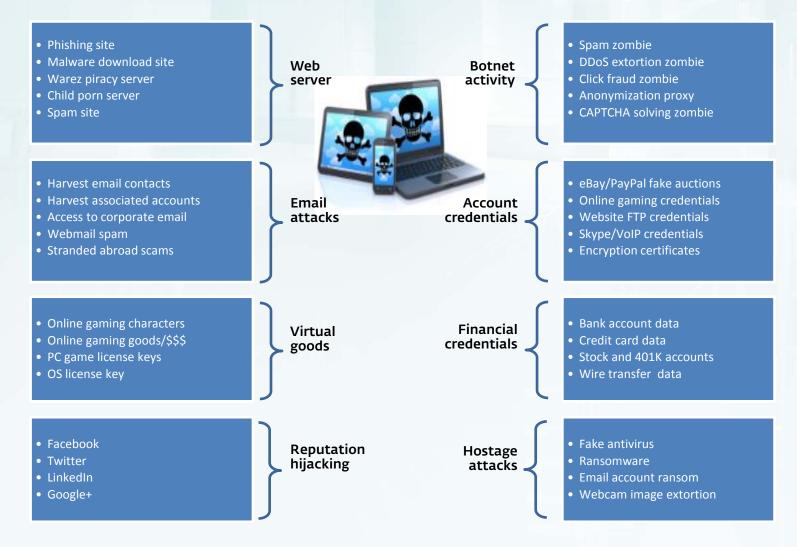


The survival guide

- Build a road map and checklist
- Help SMBs navigate the current security landscape
- Stay one step ahead of the bad guys
 - What do "they" want?
 - How do they go after it?



What's the value of a hacked or stolen PC, Mac, smartphone, tablet or server?



Based on original work by Brian Krebs: krebsonsecurity.com

The face of cybercrime today

- Well-funded
- Organized
- Efficient
- Skilled
- Global
- Relentless
- Expanding









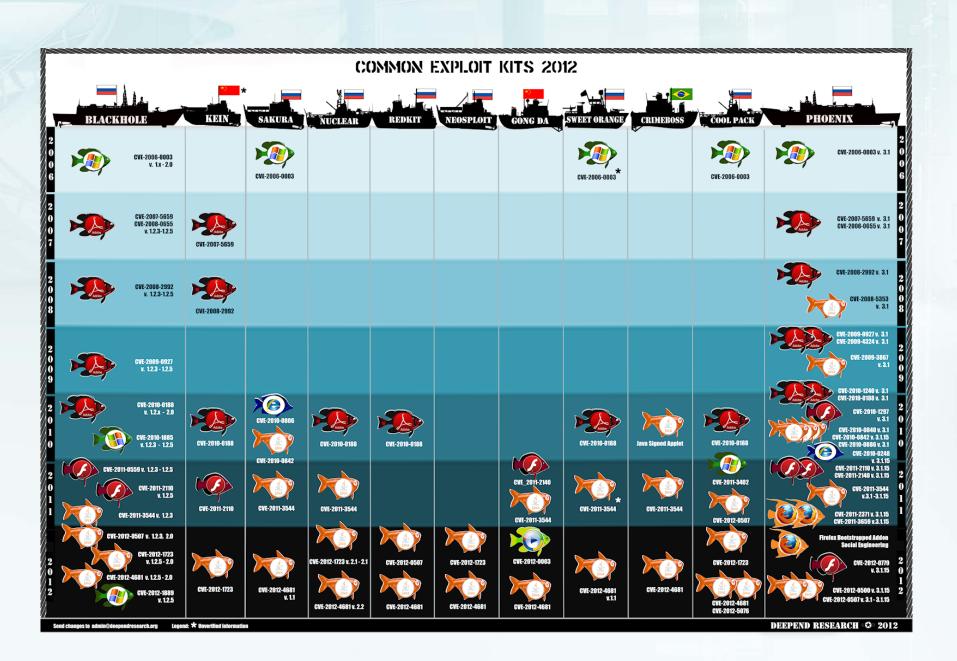






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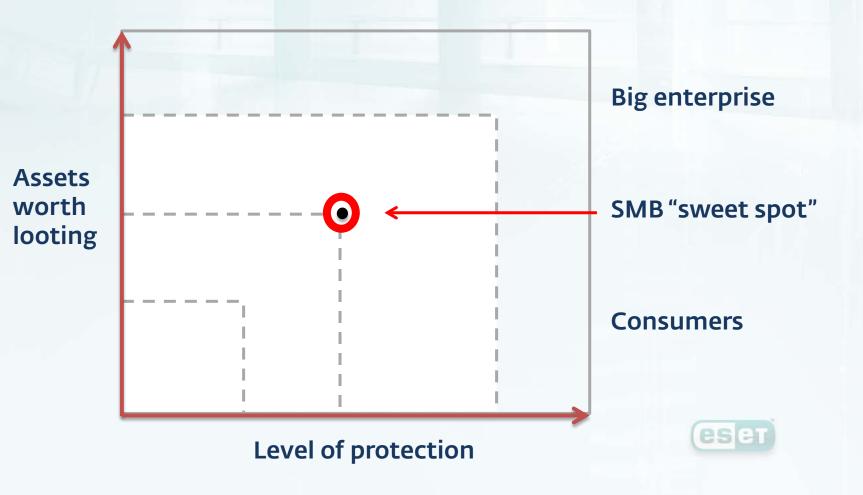




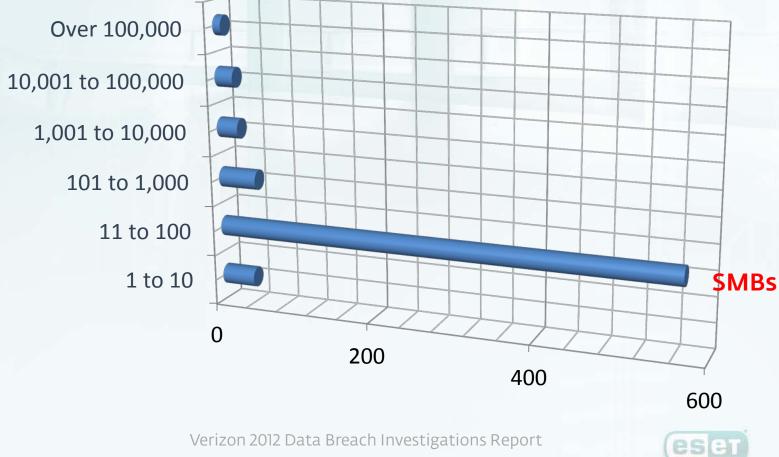
Sophisticated, profit-seeking, market-based economy



The SMB sweet spot for the cyber-criminally inclined



720 security breaches analyzed by size of organization (employees)



Verizon 2012 Data Breach Investigations Report

The road map goes A B C D E F

Assess your assets, risks, resources Build your policy Choose your controls Deploy controls Educate employees, execs, vendors Further assess, audit, test



Assess your assets, risks, resources

- Assets: digital, physical
 - If you don't know what you've got
 - You can't protect it!
- Risks
 - Who or what is the threat?
- Resources
 - In house, hired, partners, trade groups, associations



Build your policy

- Security begins with policy
- Policy begins with C-level buy-in
- High-level commitment to protecting the privacy and security of data
- Then simple rules for how to control access



Choose the controls you will use to enforce your policies

For example:

- Only authorized employees can access certain data
- Control: Require identification and authentication of all employees via unique user name and password
- Limit access through application(s) by requiring authentication
- Log all access



Deploy controls and make sure they work

- Put control in place; for example, antivirus (anti-malware, antiphishing, anti-spam)
- Test control
 - Does it work technically?
 - Does it "work" with your work?
 - Can employees work it?



Educate employees, execs, vendors, partners

- Everyone needs to know
 - What the security policies are, and
 - How to comply with them through proper use of controls
- Pay attention to any information-sharing relationships
 - Vendors, partners, even clients
- Clearly state consequences of failure to comply



Further assess, audit, test... This is a process, not a project

- Lay out a plan to assess security on a periodic basis
- Plan to stay up-to-date on emerging threats
- Be vigilant around change
 - New vendor relationships
 - Employees departing
 - Hiring practices



Checklist

- Do you know what data you are handling?
- Do your employees understand their duty to protect the data?
- Have you given them the tools to work with?
- Can you tie all data access to specific people, times and devices?



Checklist (continued)

- Have you off-loaded security to someone else?
 - Managed service provider
 - Privacy cloud provider
 - Public cloud provider
- Be sure you understand the contract
 - You can't off-load your liability
 - Ask how security is handled, what assurances are given



Checklist (continued)

- Firewalls, AV scanners, encryption
 - Not perfect, but they do the heavy lifting
- Physical security
 - Premises
 - Devices (password protected?)
 - Services
- Beyond passwords
 - Two-factor authentication (2FA)
 - Soft or hard tokens, biometrics

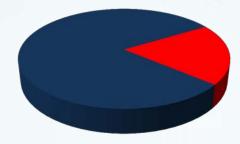


If you could only check 2 things?

How do data breaches occur?
1. Malware involved in 69% of breaches
2. Hacking* used in 81% of breaches
Breaches combining malware and hacking: 61%

*80% of hacking is passwords: default, missing, guessed, stolen, cracked







The Top 2 Things?

Two main attacks....

...and defenses

Malware



Scanning

Hacking

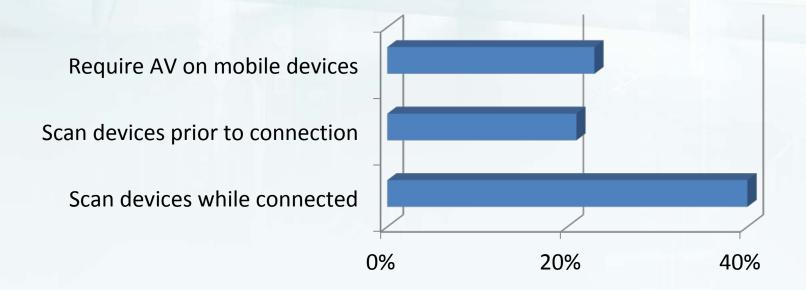


Authentication



Scanning requires proper implementation

AV use at a sample of 80 healthcare facilities

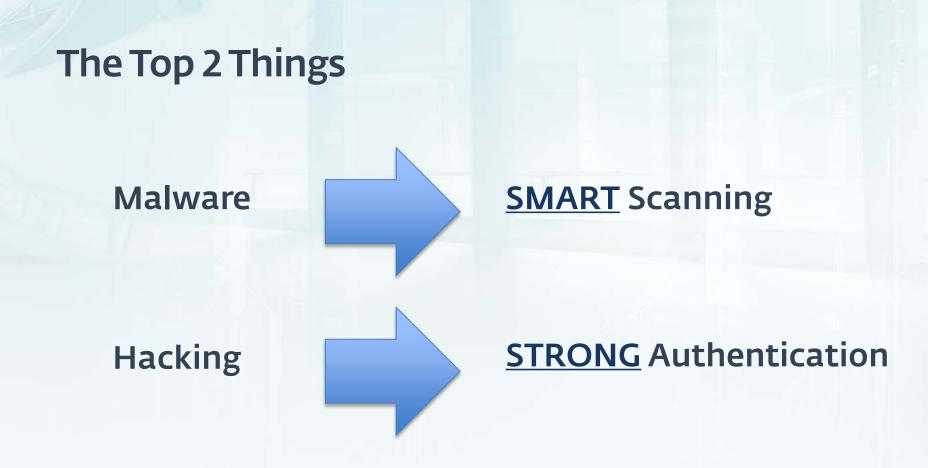


Ponemon Institute Third Annual Benchmark Study on Patient Privacy & Data Security

Authentication requires more than passwords

Passwords exposed in 2012: **75,000,000** And those are just the ones we know about Need to add a second factor to authentication





Plus policies and training to implement effectively



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