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GLOBAL STATE OF CYBERSECURITY STUDY

The United Arab Emirates as a nation has **shifted more resources toward cybersecurity since seeing a sharp rise in cyber attacks in recent years**, particularly multi-vector distributed denial of service (DDoS) attacks. But there's a great deal more that needs to be done to gain ground on malicious hackers—those residing both within and outside of the UAE.

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES



66%

Of UAE organisations suffered a data breach by remote endpoint, IoT device, Wi-Fi or cloud

AVERAGE NUMBER ATTACKS PER ORGANISATION

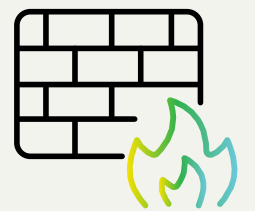
27 email/phishing	15 device/endpoint
15 network	14 application

HOW UAE ORGANISATIONS RESPONDED IN THE WAKE OF COVID-19

- 61%** Accelerated digital transformations to support remote workers
- 41%** Added resources to their networks and databases
- 37%** Added new VPNs or firewalls
- 37%** Hired more IT staff

TOP SECURITY TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS

- 59%** Added remote corporate-owned mobile devices to their networks
- 59%** Added cloud-managed DNS-DHCP-IPAM servers to harden security
- 37%** Added new VPNs or firewalls



BIGGEST CHALLENGES

1. Monitoring remote worker access
2. Keeping up with alert analysis and response
3. Shortage of IT security skills

MOST URGENT THREATS FOR NEXT 12 MONTHS



- 48%** Data leakage
- 40%** Direct attacks through cloud services
- 27%** Ransomware
- 27%** Attacks exploiting remote-worker connections

“The greatest threat comes from insufficient internal security.”

–VP, IT security UAE manufacturer



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Complete insights and top cybersecurity issues and priorities for the coming year are available in the full **2023 Global State of Cybersecurity Study: UAE**

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