

September 2023 Consumer Pulse Survey

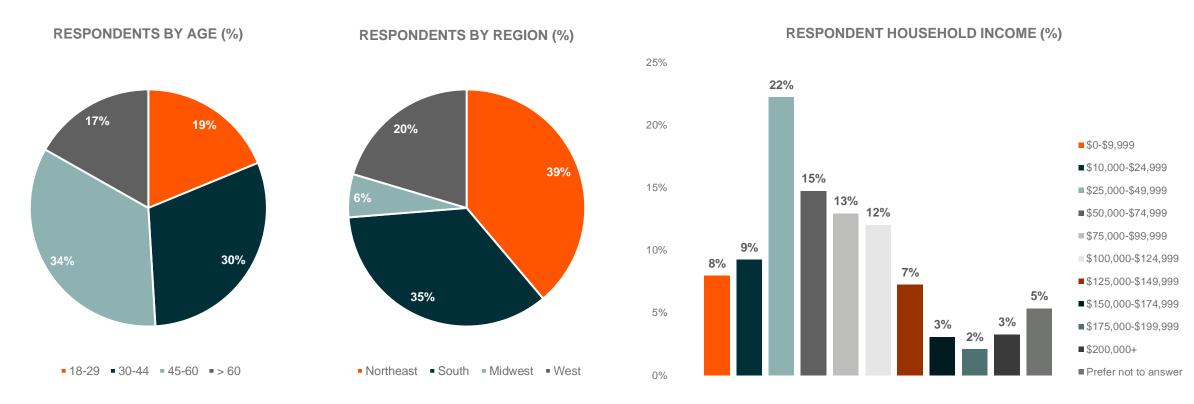
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Survey: Age, Region, Lifestyle Demographics

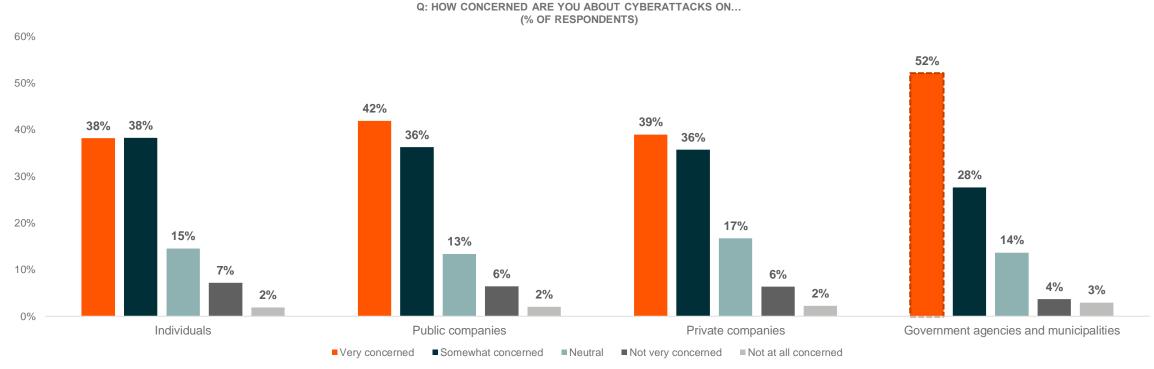
In September 2023, Global X Research surveyed 1,109 individuals in the United States regarding their concerns surrounding the dynamic cybersecurity landscape and examined the role that government intervention should assume. Survey topics spanned everything from motivations behind fortifying cybersecurity to public perspectives on government expenditure in defense technology.





Government Agencies and Municipalities Top Consumer Concern for Cyberattacks

75% OF INDIVIDUALS ARE VERY CONCERNED OR SOMEWHAT CONCERNED ABOUT CYBERATTACKS, PARTICULARLY ON GOVERNMENT AGENCIES AND MUNICIPALITIES (80%), FOLLOWED BY PUBLIC COMPANIES (78%), INDIVIDUALS (76%), AND PRIVATE COMPANIES (75%)



Note: N = 1,108





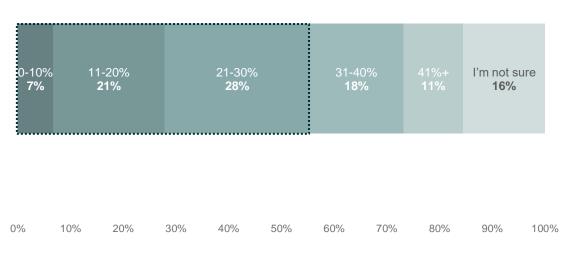
Consumers Acknowledge the Evolving Nature of Cyberattacks but Underestimate the Acceleration in Occurrence

56% OF RESPONDENTS UNDERESTIMATE THE INCREASE IN AVERAGE WEEKLY CYBERATTACKS PER ORGANIZATION FROM 2021 TO 2022

Q: BY WHAT PERCENTAGE DO YOU BELIEVE AVERAGE WEEKLY CYBERATTACKS PER ORGANIZATION INCREASED FROM 2021 TO 2022?

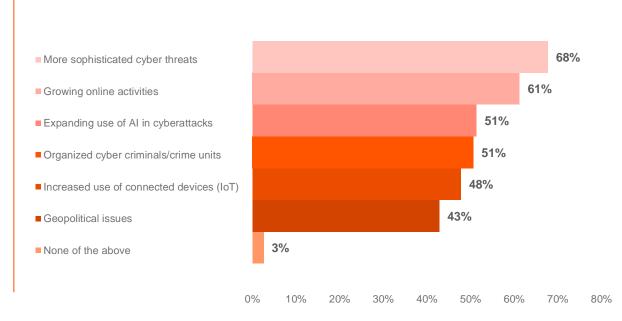
(% OF RESPONDENTS)

AVERAGE WEEKLY CYBERATTACKS PER ORGANIZATION INCREASED 38% FROM 2021 TO 2022.1



EVOLVING CYBERTHREAT SOPHISTICATION IS THE MAIN REASON FOR CONSUMER SUPPORT FOR HEIGHTENED CYBERSECURITY

Q: IN YOUR OPINION, WHAT ARE THE MAIN REASONS FOR THE INCREASING NEED FOR CYBERSECURITY
IN RECENT YEARS? CHECK ALL THAT APPLY
(% OF RESPONDENTS)



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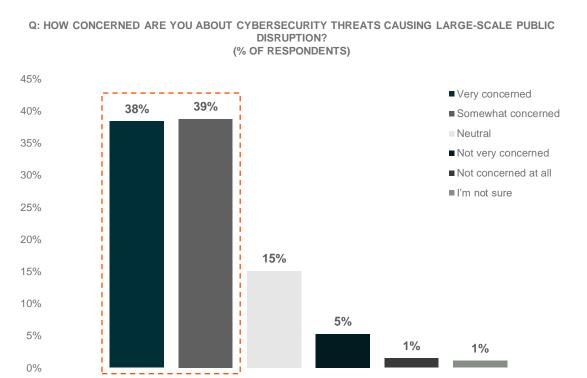


1. Source: Check Point Research. (2023, January 5). Check Point Research Reports a 38% Increase in 2022 Global Cyberattacks.



Large-Scale Disruption from Cyber Threats a Major Concern, Given Individuals' Personal Familiarity with Cyberattacks

OVER 75% OF RESPONDENTS ARE CONCERNED ABOUT CYBER THREATS CAUSING WIDESPREAD PUBLIC DISRUPTION



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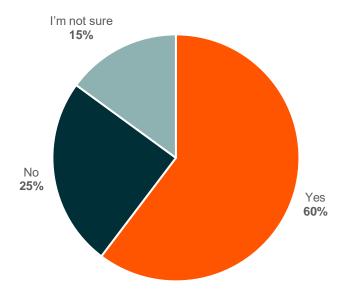
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THREE IN FIVE RESPONDENTS HAVE EITHER PERSONALLY EXPERIENCED A CYBER BREACH OR KNOW SOMEONE WHO HAS

Q: HAVE YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW EVER EXPERIENCED A CYBERSECURITY BREACH (E.G., DATA THEFT, IDENTITY THEFT, MALWARE INFECTION)?

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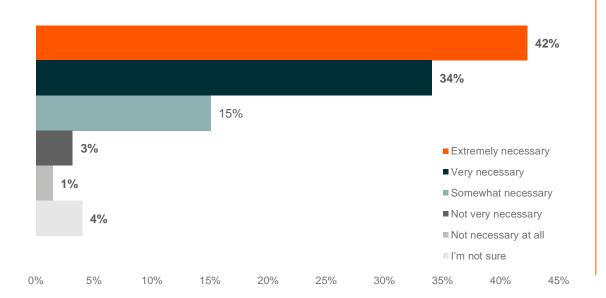




Consumers Back Increased Government Investments in Defense Technology Development

76% OF RESPONDENTS FIND U.S. GOVERNMENT INVESTMENTS IN DEVELOPING DEFENSE TECH VERY OR EXTREMELY NECESSARY

Q: IN YOUR OPINION. HOW NECESSARY IS THE DEVELOPMENT AND INVESTMENT IN DEFENSE TECHNOLOGY FOR THE GOVERNMENT'S ROLE IN ENSURING NATIONAL SECURITY AND DEFENSE? (% OF RESPONDENTS)



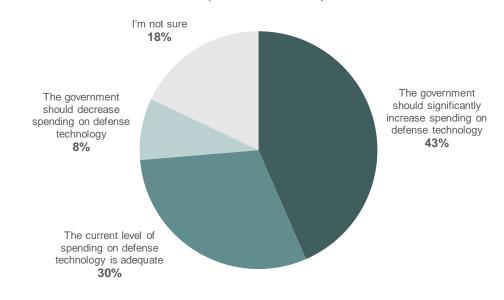
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NEARLY HALF OF RESPONDENTS FEEL THE U.S. GOVERNMENT SHOULD SIGNIFICANTLY INCREASE SPENDING ON DEFENSE TECHNOLOGY

Q: BY 2030, WE PROJECT GLOBAL MILITARY AND DEFENSE SPENDING CAN GROW NEARLY 40% TO TOP \$3.1 TRILLION.1 HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT THE LEVEL OF U.S. GOVERNMENT SPENDING ON DEFENSE TECHNOLOGY, SUCH AS ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE (AI), CYBERSECURITY, AND TECHNOLOGY CONVERGENCE? (% OF RESPONDENTS)



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1. Source: Forecasts made by Global X, assuming a consistent 4.2% Compound Annual Growth Rate (CAGR) through 2030 and data from Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (2023, April). Trends in World Military Expenditure 2022.

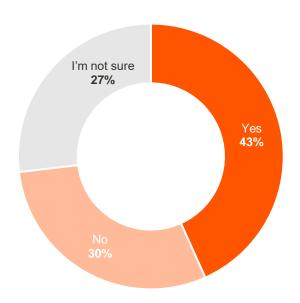


Security Concerns About AI Platforms Persist, While Consumers Lack Clarity on Harnessing AI for Cybersecurity

THE MAJORITY OF SURVEYED INDIVIDUALS ARE UNSURE OF THE ROLE AI PLAYS IN ENHANCING CYBERSECURITY MEASURES

Q: ARE YOU AWARE OF THE ROLE THAT ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE (AI) PLAYS IN ENHANCING CYBERSECURITY MEASURES?

(% OF RESPONDENTS)



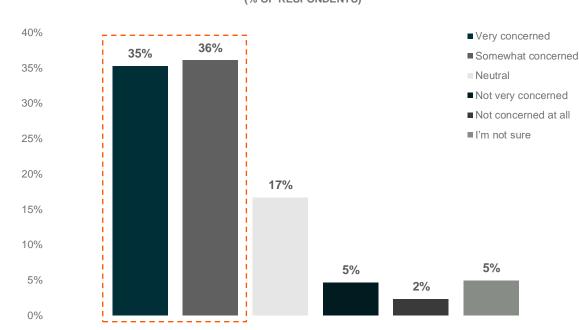
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OVER 70% OF RESPONDENTS ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THE SECURITY RISKS FROM AI-POWERED PLATFORMS

Q: HOW CONCERNED ARE YOU ABOUT AI-POWERED PLATFORMS WE USE IN OUR DAILY LIVES POSING SECURITY RISKS?

(% OF RESPONDENTS)



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Confidence in Cybersecurity Preparedness for New Technologies Varies, Mostly Given Increasing Potential Security Risks

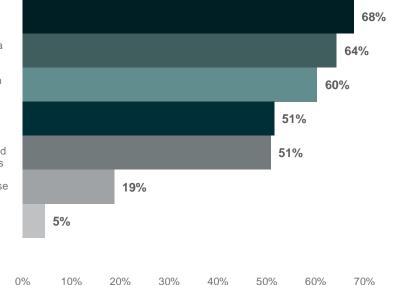
CONSUMERS WORRY MOST ABOUT MISUSE OF DATA (68%), FOLLOWED BY THE COLLECTION OF DATA (64%) WITH AI-POWERED DEVICES

Q: IN YOUR OPINION, HOW CAN AI-POWERED SMART DEVICES POSE SECURITY RISKS? CHECK ALL THAT APPLY.

(% OF RESPONDENTS)



- Misuse of voice or facial recognition data
- Vulnerabilities to hacking and cyberattacks by foreign entities
- ■Broad dissemination of Al-generated content used for malicious purposes
- Al platforms and devices do not pose security risks
- None of the above



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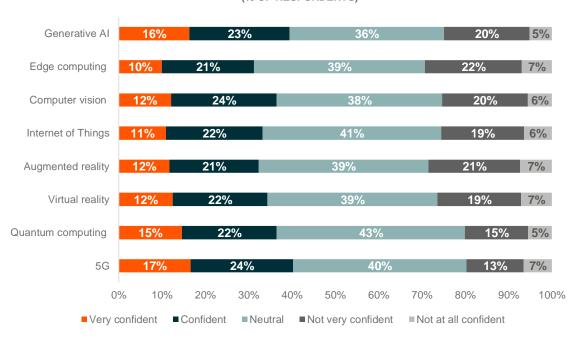
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RESPONDENT CONFIDENCE IN CYBERSECURITY READINESS VARIES WIDELY WITH EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES

Q: HOW CONFIDENT ARE YOU IN THE ABILITY OF CYBERSECURITY MEASURES TO KEEP UP WITH THE SECURITY CHALLENGES POSED BY EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES?

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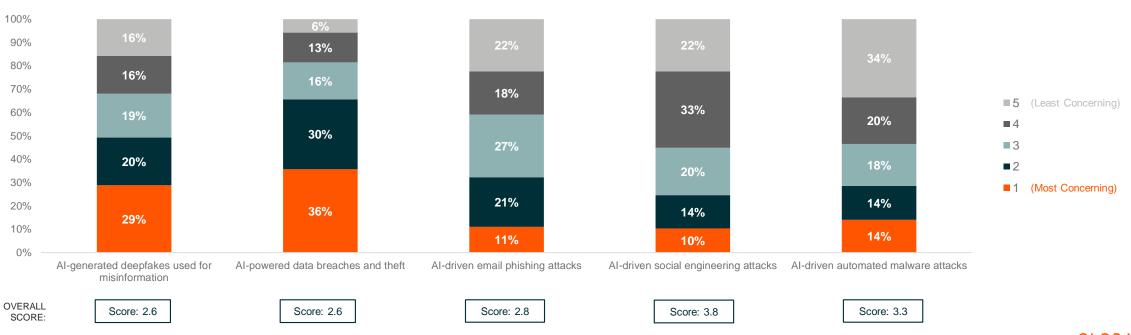




AI-Powered Data Breaches Capture User Concern, Escalating Probable Misuse of Personal Data

CONSUMERS RANK AI-POWERED DATA BREACHES AND THEFT AS THE TOP CONCERN AMONG AI-DRIVEN CYBER THREATS, FOLLOWED BY AI-GENERATED DEEPFAKES USED FOR MISINFORMATION

Q: RANK THE FOLLOWING AI-DRIVEN CYBER THREATS IN ORDER OF CONCERN, WITH 1 BEING THE MOST CONCERNING AND 5 BEING THE LEAST CONCERNING:
(% OF RESPONDENTS)



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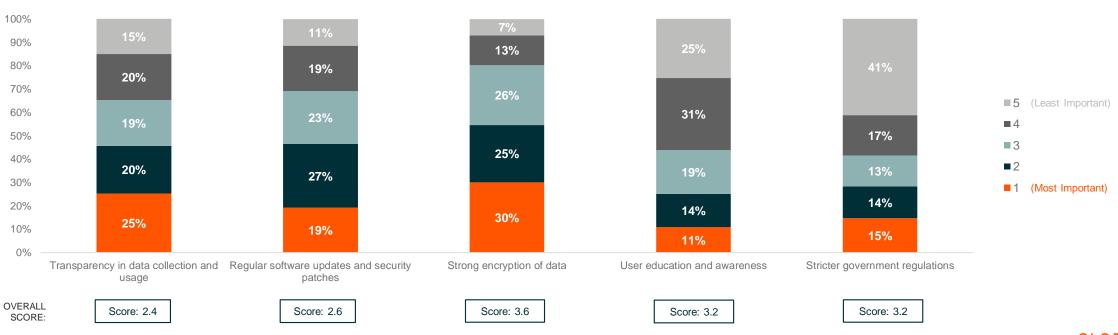


Users Value Transparency and Strong Security for AI Platforms and Devices

WHEN IT COMES TO SECURITY OF AI PLATFORMS AND DEVICES, CONSUMERS RANK STRONG ENCRYPTION OF DATA AS THE MOST IMPORTANT, FOLLOWED BY TRANSPARENCY IN DATA COLLECTION AND USAGE

Q: WHEN IT COMES TO THE SECURITY OF AI PLATFORMS AND DEVICES, PLEASE RANK THE FOLLOWING FACTORS IN TERMS OF THEIR IMPORTANCE, WITH 1 BEING THE MOST IMPORTANT AND 5 BEING THE LEAST IMPORTANT:

(% OF RESPONDENTS)



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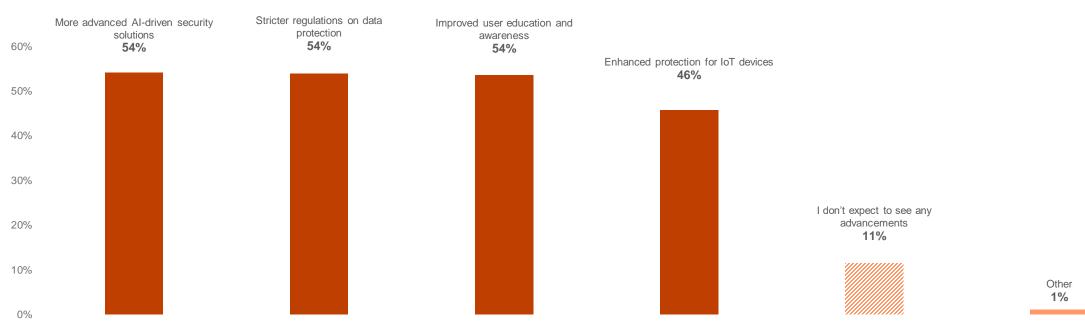




Individuals Anticipate Substantial Cybersecurity Advances in the Near Future

OVER HALF OF RESPONDENTS ANTICIPATE INCREASED AI-DRIVEN SECURITY MEASURES, TIGHTER REGULATIONS ON DATA PROTECTION, AND HEIGHTENED USER EDUCATION AND AWARENESS WITHIN THE NEXT 5 YEARS

Q: WHAT ADVANCEMENTS IN CYBERSECURITY DO YOU EXPECT TO SEE IN THE NEXT FIVE YEARS? CHECK ALL THAT APPLY. (% OF RESPONDENTS)



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MSCI China Financials ETF (CHIX)

MSCI China Information Technology ETF (CHIK)

MSCI China Communication Services ETF (CHIC)

MSCI China Utilities ETF (CHIU)

MSCI China Real Estate ETF (CHIR)

Single-Country

MSCI Argentina ETF (ARGT)

DAX Germany ETF (DAX)

MSCI Greece ETF (GREK)

MSCI Colombia ETF (GXG)

MSCI Nigeria ETF (NGE)

MSCI Norway ETF (NORW)

MSCI Pakistan ETF (PAK)

MSCI Portugal ETF (PGAL)

MSCI Vietnam ETF (VNAM)

India Active ETF (NDIA)

Brazil Active ETF (BRAZ)

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Emerging Markets ETF (EMM)



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Interest Rate Volatility & Inflation Hedge ETF (IRVH)

Silver Miners ETF (SIL)

Gold Explorers ETF (GOEX)

Copper Miners ETF (COPX)

Uranium ETF (URA)

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Conscious Companies ETF (KRMA)

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Faith-Based

S&P 500 Catholic Values ETF (CATH)

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Risk Management

Adaptive U.S. Risk Management ETF (ONOF)

Nasdaq 100 Collar 95-110 ETF (QCLR)

Nasdaq 100 Tail Risk ETF (QTR)

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