

Network & Security Operations Dreaded Four-Letter Word:

MORE

How network and security operations are leveraging automation to face their biggest challenges.

Enterprise Network & Security Teams dread the word **MORE...** More attacks. More vulnerabilities. More devices. More traffic. More work. In response, best-in-class teams are focusing on tightening up security and reducing (or eliminating) manual activities through automation.

The 2018 Verizon Data Breach reported:

53,000 incidents as well as **2,216** confirmed data breaches^[1]

Businesses that have adopted SECURITY AUTOMATION

minimize the costs of breaches by **\$1.55M** vs those who have not.^[2]

Your Network is More Complex...

Hybrid environments and fragmented processes **complicate network security** management.



62% say that network security operations have grown more difficult over the past 2 years.^[3]

91% of those surveyed have 2 or more firewall brands in their environment.^[4]

48% of IT decision-makers who plan to implement a cloud-based solution within the next 12 months **also plan to deploy 6 or more cloud services.**^[5]

73% of respondents agree that... "It's difficult to get an accurate account of network security controls for regulatory compliance audits."^[3]

...And Growing More Fragmented...

New security technologies, hybrid cloud adoption, advanced threat vectors, and more stringent regulations add to this complexity.

...Current Approaches Aren't Working...

Change requests take too long, risk is too high, and meeting compliance requires too many resources.



90% say the inability to maintain synchronized or standardized policies is a significant factor in security or operations incidents (inappropriate access, blocked applications, etc).^[4]

0 No organization affected by payment card data breaches was found to be in full compliance with PCI DSS.^[6]

It is now predicted that... **3.5 MILLION** cybersecurity job openings will exist by 2021.^[6]

72% of companies are having difficulty finding the cybersecurity talent they need.^[7]

...And There Aren't Enough Resources...

It's well publicized that there is a **talent pool problem** in the cybersecurity world— it's **hard to find** experienced professionals and **even harder to keep** them.

...Yet You're Still Struggling with Manual Processes...

Implementing security controls is typically still a **tedious** manual process that is **costly** and **error-prone.**



91% of survey respondents say that it takes over a week to approve and implement firewall changes.^[4]

The average cost from human error or negligence is... **\$128** per record^[2]

86% agree that automation will help enforce policy across physical and cloud environments and will enable the operations team to do more with existing resources.^[3]

64% of respondents say the deployment of security automation has **increased the productivity of IT security personnel.**^[8]

...Automation Holds the Key...

Automation will help you **eliminate errors** and **lower risk** and **reduce security incidents** by eliminating manual tasks.

But, It's Impossible Without Centralized Security Policy

Network Security Policy Management (NSPM) helps the largest enterprises in the world with the most complex networks

- Implement changes in minutes instead of days
- Tighten their security posture
- Ensure continuous compliance



71% have problems establishing and maintaining security policy baselines and standardized policies.^[4]

THOSE NOT USING NSPM HAD A **HIGHER RATE OF OCCURANCE OF INCIDENTS** stemming from incorrectly implemented changes.^[4]

Take the Next Step Towards Policy-Based Automation

Download our short ebook, "7 Ways Policy-Driven Automation Helps with the Security Skills Shortage"

If you're looking to free yourself from MORE, schedule a demo today.

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