

# Endpoint Protection and Response:

The latest SANS 2018 Survey on Endpoint Protection and Response offers key survey results and best practices to help you simplify and automate your endpoint protection, detection and response capabilities.

## Key Findings



of respondents report their endpoints have been breached



breaches involved 10-24 endpoints



of respondents manage ICS systems, yet 21% suffered a compromise



of respondents report remediation of a single endpoint takes an average of 24 hours or less

## Endpoints Everywhere

The rise in cloud-based endpoints not only challenges the standard remediation model, but introduces the need to secure those endpoints in a nontraditional setting.



60% of cloud-based endpoints now connect to the network, from just over 40% in 2017.



The drive for anytime/anyplace/any device computing, including the growing use of employee-owned handholds and smartphones, opens new windows of vulnerability, yet such devices are less frequently included in organizations' management programs.

## Successful Threat Vectors

The top threat vectors for exploited endpoints take advantage of the hapless user:



Web drive-by



Social engineer Wring/phishing



Ransomware

## Detection and Response

Signature-based antivirus is still useful, but isn't enough



of attacks are detected by an antivirus.



of compromises were detected by automated SIEM alerts



of respondents reported that proactive discovery detected compromises only 10% of the time

## Harden Your Endpoints

Organizations must identify, install and configure effective solutions, as well as establish baseline readings. Top key success factors included:



ease of data collection



correlation of data into usable information



skilled operators



automation/tool interoperability

Organizations must augment their abilities to more proactively defend their systems and detect threats earlier in the cyber kill chain.

Read the full report and survey results.

<https://www.mcafee.com/enterprise/en-us/solutions/lp/sans-endpoint-survey.html>