



When things go wrong

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To be prepared *against* surprise is to be trained.

To be prepared *for* surprise is to be educated.

James Carse

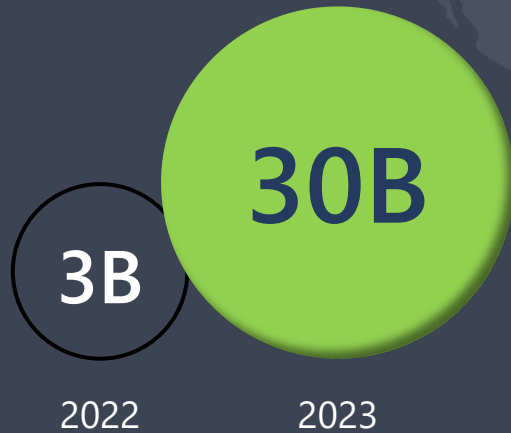


Cybersecurity is an
infinite game

We live in the most complex threat landscape in history

Speed, scale, and
sophistication of attacks

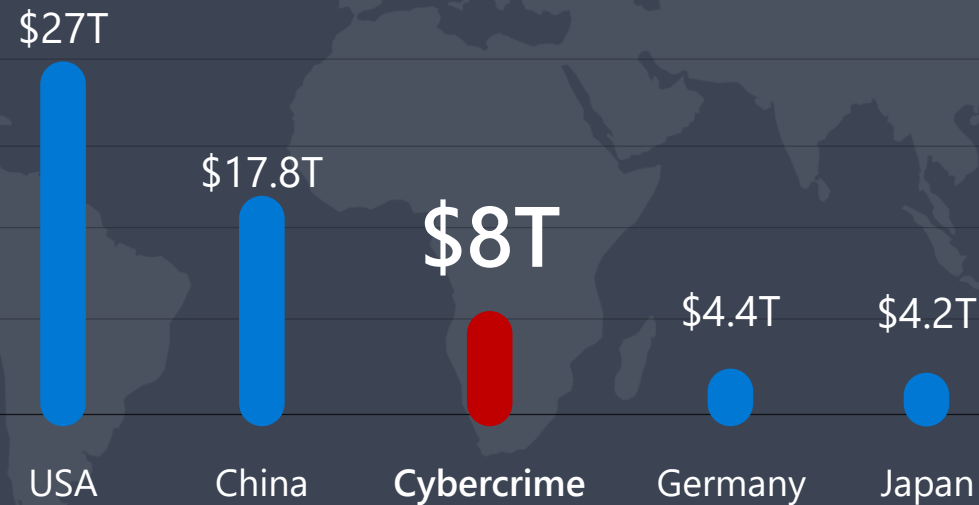
Password attacks
per month



Source: Microsoft

Rapidly growing
cyber economy

Annual GDP



Source: Statista

Growing regulatory
environment



250
new regulatory
updates tracked
every day

Source: Microsoft

Identity attacks in perspective

Password-based attacks continue to dominate, but can be thwarted by using strong authentication methods.

More than
99% of identity
attacks are
password attacks

Breach replay

Password spray

Phishing

Rely on predictable human behaviors such as selecting easy-to-guess passwords, reusing them on multiple websites, and falling prey to phishing attacks.

<1%
of attacks



MFA attacks

SIM swapping

MFA fatigue

AitM

Less than 1% combined

End-run MFA protection by intercepting security codes using stolen phone numbers, barraging users with MFA notifications until they approve, and capturing first and second factor credentials using fake replicas of legitimate websites.



Post-authentication attacks

Token theft

Consent phishing

Infiltrate a user's account after they authenticate by stealing a legitimate token created on their device and moving it to a device under the attacker's control, by searching source code repositories for Open Authorization (OAuth) tokens and other non-human credentials, or by tricking the authenticated user into granting permissions to malicious apps.



Infrastructure compromise

Often silently executed by professional groups or nation-state-backed threat actors with sophisticated operations, making them very hard to detect. Threat actors may compromise an on-premises federation server and copy its private signing key to forge tokens, compromise a privileged cloud user and add new federation contracts, or compromise a non-human workload identity and create new credentials with elevated privileges.

THE SECURE FUTURE INITIATIVE TIMELINE

Storm-0558
June 2023



SFI start
November 2023



Midnight Blizzard
January 2024



CSRB Report
April 2024



Update 2 SFI
September 2024

25-page SFI progress report publicly published.

Testimony Brad Smith
June 2024

MSFT accepts responsibility and underscores additional steps MSFT is taking to ensure cyber security is company-wide effort.

Update SFI
May 2024

1st update on SFI progress. Satya Nadella: "Prioritizing security above all else".

If you're faced with the tradeoff between security and another priority, your answer is clear: **Do security.**

Satya Nadella

Microsoft Secure Future Initiative

A multi-year commitment to advance the way we design, build, test and operate our technology to ensure we deliver solutions that meet the highest possible standard of security in the new era of AI

The largest cybersecurity engineering project in history.

<https://www.microsoft.com/en-gb/microsoft-cloud/resources/secure-future-initiative>

Secure Future Initiative (SFI)

Secure by design

Secure by default

Secure operations

Security culture and governance



Protect identities and secrets



Protect tenants and isolate production systems



Protect network



Protect engineering systems



Monitor and detect threats



Accelerate response and remediation

Continuous improvement

Paved path

Standards

And we are making progress

98% credentials rotated

5.7 million aged tenants removed

1M accounts have MFA by default

730K SFI non-compliant apps eliminated

270K employees and vendors have enhanced MFA
with additional security layers

Proactive Threat Hunting: Identification and Removal of Bad Actors



1M
customers



120
countries



Continuous
innovation



\$20B
of investment

100,000+
domains removed

10,000+ security and threat intelligence experts

15,000+ Partners
in our security ecosystem

4,000 Identity attacks
blocked per second

300+ threat
actors tracked

135 million
Manages devices

78 trillion signals synthesized
daily

The Reality

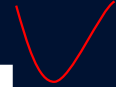
We live in the gap between
our aspired security policies
and our lived security hygiene



AI maintained

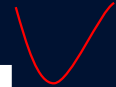
We need a/n  knowledge
graph of the estate

Autonomous



We need risk-aware
personalized security hygiene
...at scale

Autonomous



We need real-time
coordinated defense
...at scale



The future of cybersecurity requires a
fundamental shift of mindset

Paradigm shift

Conventional Cloud

Rule-base

Static

Partial-view

Reactive

Learn from historical data
and current state

Adapt to evolving
environment

Decision-making
considering multi-factors

Plan for future to
prevent bad things

Proactive Cloud

Data-driven

Adaptive

Global-view

Preventive





collective defence

Strength in numbers





Thank you!