

Cybersecurity today

Research suggests businesses should up their game on Cybersecurity



Key Findings

- 69% of UK small businesses use weak passwords. 47% lack up-to-date anti-virus software.
- 15% have no firewall protection.
- 48% don't provide cybersecurity awareness training. 29% have no patch management.

Impact

- 49,000 instances of fraud due to cyber-attacks.
- Average cost of a digital attack: £15,300.



Key Actions



Security Awareness Training for all staff.



Adopt a Zero Trust Architecture to verify every access request.



Implement controls and certify to the UK Cyber Essentials scheme.



Develop and update an incident response plan.



Adopt and ensure adherence to cybersecurity policies, including an acceptable user policy.



Implement vendor and third-party risk management.



Multi-Factor
Authentication (MFA) adds
an extra layer of security.



Ensure regular software updates and patch management.



Conduct regular security audits to identify vulnerabilities.



Continuously monitor network traffic for suspicious activities.



Encrypt data both at rest and in transit.