Over the past 12 months

53% of organisations, the budget was less than 10%

58% of companies have a system to monitor and protect against email-borne threats in internal-to-internal emails.

This jumps to 97% when including those actively planning to roll one out.

Among Microsoft 365 security email users, 64% experienced an outage during the past year.

67% are concerned about a lack of leadership in cyber preparedness.

46% of companies were affected by a ransomware attack.

More than 3 out of 4 companies are receiving an increased number of email-based threats.

60% of companies were hurt by a ransomware attack, up from 47% in 2020.

59% of respondents say their cyber resilience has been impaired by insufficient funding:

40% of respondents believe their company is at risk due to inadvertent data leaks by careless or negligent employees.

70% feel that additional safeguards are needed for Microsoft 365. 54% strongly agree.

Encouragingly, 32% of companies provide cyber awareness training to their employees on an ongoing basis, but 1 in 5 only train once a year or less often.

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Interestingly, when faced with a ransomware attack, only 55% of South African respondents paid the ransom, at 43% of those paid to false recovery.

55% of companies have been the target of an email-related phishing attempt and 46% experienced an email attack.

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