CYBER

10 ways cyber risks threaten businesses

Property Damage & Pollution Liability

Remote-controlled equipment gives cyber saboteurs a way to destroy property from afar, potentially creating pollution hazards that affect the environment and human health.





Reputational Harm

A highly publicized cyberattack can damage a company's reputation in several ways — such as eroding customer trust and even lowering its stock market price. Responding thoughtfully and immediately to cyber events can help mitigate these negative impacts.



Business Interruption

Whether caused by phishing, malware, denial of service, or another form of attack, business interruption due to a cyber event can result in significant downtime and losses of productivity, sales, and income.

Lost Customer Relationships

Some sectors, including the financial industry, are especially vulnerable to customer dissatisfaction following a breach. Besides lost revenue, a cyber incident can cost a company long-standing relationships that have taken

Legal Costs & Fines

Class action lawsuits
related to data breaches
rose 46% last year to over
\$700M. Cyberattack-related
lawsuits, regulatory action
defense and
fines now
cost large
companies
more than
\$3 million on



Stolen Intellectual Property

For some industries, such as life sciences, technology, and defense, losing corporate secrets can compromise a firm's competitive advantage, and illegally unlocked products can significantly impact a company's bottom line.



years to build.

Ransom Payments

Ransomware payments **fell by over 40% to \$457M in 2022** as businesses increasingly refuse to pay ransom demands.

average.



Hardware & Digital Asset Losses

Cyberattacks can result in lost or damaged digital files as well as hardware failure, which can lead to disruptions and financial losses.



Business Email Compromise and Payment Fraud

In 2022, the FBI's Internet Crime Complaint Center (IC3) received 21,832 business email compromise (BEC) complaints with adjusted losses totaling over \$2.7 billion.

Incident Response Costs

According to a 2022 report, companies spent an average of \$110k on services associated with responding to breach incidents; for large companies, the average is \$4.1M. Having an incident response team and regularly tested plan can reduce total data breach costs by as much as 50%.