2025 Data Breach Investigations Report

Learn the hackers' playbook

Our 2025 Data Breach Investigations Report decoded more than 12,000 data breaches. Here's a snapshot of some of our most critical findings.



34%



Exploitation of vulnerabilities as an initial access step for a data breach grew by 34%, now accounting for 20% of breaches.

54%

Only about 54% of perimeter device vulnerabilities were fully remediated, and it took a median of 32 days to do so.

60%

Human involvement in security breaches remained about the same as last year – 60%.

15%

15% of employees routinely accessed generative AI platforms on their corporate devices – increasing the potential risk for data leaks.

30%

30% of the 22,052 incidents reviewed in the 2025 DBIR were DDoS attacks.

Available VPS Security Solutions

- DDoS Shield for Internet Dedicated Services*
- Verizon Business Internet Security*
- DDoS Shield
- Penetration Testing
- PCI-DSS
- Rapid Response Retainer
- Executive Breach Simulation
- Ransomware Attack Simulation
- Security Risk Assessment
- Red Team Operations

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