Security Hardening for Azure Cloud Hosting



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Bhuvan's Background

Bhuvan have been in technology Executive with over 20 years of experience in developing, implementing and managing systems for various industries. Developed highly productive IT teams over his career and can see thru platform agnostic the optimal technology implementations to maximize business potential of companies. Bhuvan have been Implementing Artificial Intelligence (AI), Machine Learning (ML) and Automations for over 20 years, even before these terms became mainstream.

Why Cloud is Important Today



- World has changed in the last 45 days
- Work from home
- Accelerated cloud migrations
- Your Business is running out of cloud
- Locking Physical Assets vs Keeping it in the cloud

Regulatory

- 1. HIPAA -1996
- COPPA 2000 (Children's Online Privacy Protection Act)
- 3. HITECH ACT 2009
- 4. Gramm-Leach-Bliley for Financial Transactions 1999
- 5. State Regulations
 - California Consumer Privacy Act 2018

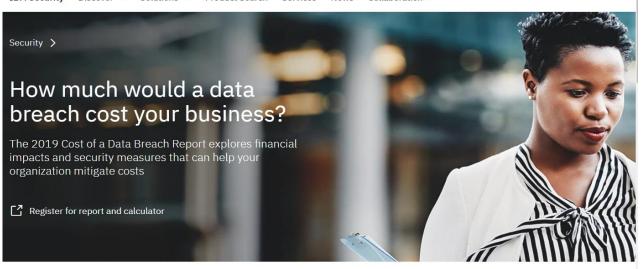


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Cost of a Data Breach Report highlights



USD 3.92 million

United States

Healthcare

25,575 records

Average total cost of a data breach

Most expensive country: USD 8.19

Most expensive industry: USD 6.45

Average size of a data breach



10 Common Issues

- 1. Data Breaches
- 2. Misconfiguration & Inadequate Change Control
- 3. Lack of Cloud Security Strategy
- 4. Insufficient Identity, Credential, Access and Key Management
- Account Hijacking
- 6. Insider Threat
- 7. Insecure Interfaces and APIs
- 8. Weak Control Plane
- 9. Limited Cloud Usage Visibility
- 10. Metastructure and Applistructure Failures

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Traditional Models

- We tend to apply traditional knowledge to securing cloud
 - It is not the same
 - A person in Philippines or Romania or Vietnam to get to your door is very super unlikely
 - We hear about Raspberry Pi 4 costs
- Exponentially high exposure to the world
- We tend to take larger measures and overlook basics









wireless keyboard

Incredibly Powerful Hardware

English/

Russian/

Others ver.



Cost: \$35



Can you guess what this is?



Server Rack Holds 1350 Raspberry Pi Costs < \$1000 USD + \$45 per board

Can scale a commercial hacker farm in no time

Goals





Discover how you can prevent a data breach.



Build a secure enterprise with increased visibility.



RESPOND

REMEDIATE

Automate and orchestrate your response.

Remediate and recover after a breach.



Goals of Any Security

Enable business to be viable

Protect the business

Satisfy Regulatory & compliance requirements

Don't compromise on operational efficiency

Improve user productivity

Shit happens - have a good incident response plan – enable resiliency

Understand Business Goals





Security Basics

Azure Active Directory



Systems Engineering

- 1. Inside Out Approach
- Design Systems to address Process Efficiencies
- 3. Security consideration is inherent
- 4. Understanding of Business Processes and Goals are important

Information Security Team

- 1. Focus exclusively on security
- 2. Various approaches, risks and solutions are needed

OUR FOCUS IS ON THE ENGINEERING SIDE

Azure Active Directory



- Make sure you are using AAD
- MFA enabled
- 3. Correct plan so you can review logs (I recommend P2)
- 4. Use integrated authentication
- 5. Minimize Password changes and Password complexity rules
- 6. Try to use GeoFence
- 7. Conditional Access
- 8. Device Registration Policies



Secure Cloud Resources



Implement Temporary Access model

Admins request temporary revocable access



Scripts and Audits – Extremely important

Use Idempotent
Scripts
Avoid Manual click

Avoid Manual click thru changes

Source Control – and audit changes periodically



Use Process systems

Service Now
Office365 task
management is
good enough most
of the times



Azure – Harden network security

Make it contextual

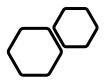


Use tools like
Azure Sentinel
- Security
Monitoring



Compliance
Tooling - Data
Discovery &
Classification





Detect & Respond



SETUP AZURE MONITOR ALERTS – USE THE TOOLS AT YOUR DISPOSAL



SETUP AZURE COMPLIANCE MONITORING



DATABASES – USE DATA CLASSIFICATIONS (MINIMIZE RISK)



AUTOMATE DEPLOYMENTS



PERFORM SECURITY CHECKS ON APPLICATIONS



SETUP BEHAVIOR TRIP WIRE



APPLICATION
DEVELOPMENT –
IMPLEMENT
SECURITY REVIEW
POLICIES ON
EXTERNAL
LIBRARIES



SETUP PROPER BACKUP AND RECOVERY POLICIES

Contextualizing Security

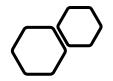


Your Advantages

- Setup behavior trip wire
- Only you know the business
- So you have an upper hand

use these to protect!





Detect & Respond



Setup proper incident response mechanism



DevOps can help faster healing

It's inexpensive and simpler than you think

Detect & Respond





User Training

USER TRAINING



- Nothing supplements good user training
- Do mock click tests and educate vulnerable users
- Restrict access to vulnerable users

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