

# A FALSE SENSE OF SECURITY IN THE U.K.

A recent survey conducted by Wakefield Research for Webroot looked at the security preparedness of IT decision-makers (ITDMs) at small- to medium-sized companies in the U.K. It found that many companies have a false sense of security, which could lead to lax security policies.



of U.K. businesses aren't ready to address IT threats.

### £737,677



estimated cost of a cyberattack where customer records or critical data was lost in the U.K.



of U.K. business are confident their staff can address external security threats.

## **HERE'S WHAT YOU CAN DO:**

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#### **CROSS THOSE Ts:**

Being prepared is crucial. Create a plan of action to respond to any type of breach that includes outside resources, like an MSP, who you can enroll for assistance.



#### **EMPLOYEE EDUCATION:**

Workers may not know how to avoid phishing and other types of attacks. Investing in regular security training is a great way to prevent attacks.



#### **DON'T FORGET MOBILE:**

Employees' mobile devices are doorways into business networks, and can leave them vulnerable to unseen risks. Reliable mobile security is essential to protect from malicious applications.



#### **SPEND WISELY:**

Look to allocate any additional budget you may have where risks are highest. If you're unsure, ask a security expert or your MSP where your vulnerabilities lie.



#### **UPDATE SOFTWARE:**

Keep business devices up-to-date with the latest software and security patches.



#### **BEWARE OF RANSOMWARE:**

The U.K. is consistently one of the most phished nations, and phishing can lead to ransomware. Create a layered defence by implementing strong back-up and business continuity plans.