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# Ransomware: A Big Threat to Small & Medium Businesses



## **Top Threats to SMBs**



#### Ransomware-as-a-Service (RaaS)

Uses affiliates for attacks, making it challenging for organizations to anticipate multiple attack vectors.



#### **Initial Access Brokers**

Threat actors who specialize in gaining initial access into victim organizations and selling that access to other cybercriminals.

of attacks targeted businesses with < 100 employees<sup>1</sup>

of SMBs think they're too small for a cyberattack<sup>1</sup>

of SMBs go out of business due to a ransomware attack<sup>1</sup>

of SMBs experienced downtime due to a ransomware attack<sup>1</sup>

\$126K

Average cost of SMB downtime from a ransomware attack, including lost revenue<sup>1</sup>

## **Steps to Prevent, Detect, and Respond to Threats**

Understanding that ransomware attacks disproportionately impact and target SMBs puts these organizations on notice that they could face more risk compared to other organizations, Here are some steps you can take to protect your organization:

- 1. Engage an Endpoint Detection and Response (EDR) provider that offers anti-malware and response capabilities.
- 2. Centralize logging for all edge devices such as firewalls, routers, WANs.
- 3. Monitor log-on activity for remote access services, such as VPN/RDP.
- **4. Remediate malware infections as quickly as possible**, return systems to a known good state, revoking active sessions, and resetting compromised credentials

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