

Cybercrime Protection Services

As cybercrime attacks escalate during COVID-19 and organisations across the world continue to be a preferred target for criminals, Findex and Crowe have developed a tailored program to help protect small to medium sized businesses against this escalating threat.

Cybercrime and fraud represent a large proportion of all crime in many countries. The Australian Cyber Security Centre receives approximately 144 reports of cyber incidents every day and estimates that, in Australia, losses to cybercrime exceed \$300 million every year¹.

Organisations are more likely to suffer cybercrime and fraud than many other types of crime. And if they do, the organisation, its clients and its people are all at risk of loss.

The impact of COVID-19 on cybercrime

In the wake of COVID-19, phishing and ransomware attacks have increased as cybercriminals look to prey on an anxious population. This has been compounded by organisations setting up new ways of remote working at a pace which does not always allow effective cybersecurity arrangements to be put in place.

“New working patterns leading to cyber attacks and data fraud are the most likely technological fallout risk for the world (from COVID-19).”

World Economic Forum

The risk of cybercrime is vastly underestimated by many businesses. And small to medium size organisations, that do not have the resources or capabilities available to larger organisations, are at particular risk.

Many smaller businesses place undue reliance on protection they believe will be provided by third-party suppliers of technology-related services. This is underscored by a finding from the Australian Cyber Security Centre that almost half of small and medium sized businesses spend less than \$500 annually on cybersecurity.



Cybercrime protection services

Findex and Crowe's cybercrime program can help your business understand its cybercrime threat and design cyber security measures to help mitigate these. Our program includes four unique services.

Cybercrime vulnerability scorecard

In conjunction with Europe's largest forensic research centre at the UK's University of Portsmouth, we have developed an assessment tool and report to provide your organisation with a cybercrime vulnerability rating and a checklist of what you need to do.

External vulnerability assessments

We look at your domains to see if your emails can be spoofed. We look for out of date, unsupported software, open ports which can be hacked, and known vulnerabilities which haven't been resolved.

Internal vulnerability assessments

We provide you with the specialist diagnostic hardware which looks inside your network and systems for weaknesses.

Searches for compromised emails and passwords

We search the Dark Web (the part of the Web which cannot be searched using normal search engines) for compromised emails and passwords.

Next steps

Crowe has specialist cybercrime advisers who can help your organisation identify areas of vulnerability, so you have the capability to better protect yourself in the current climate and identify the steps necessary to strengthen your defences.

For more information on how to help protect your organisation from the threat of cybercrime, or to request a call back from one of our cybercrime specialists, visit:

crowe.com/au/cyber-crime

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