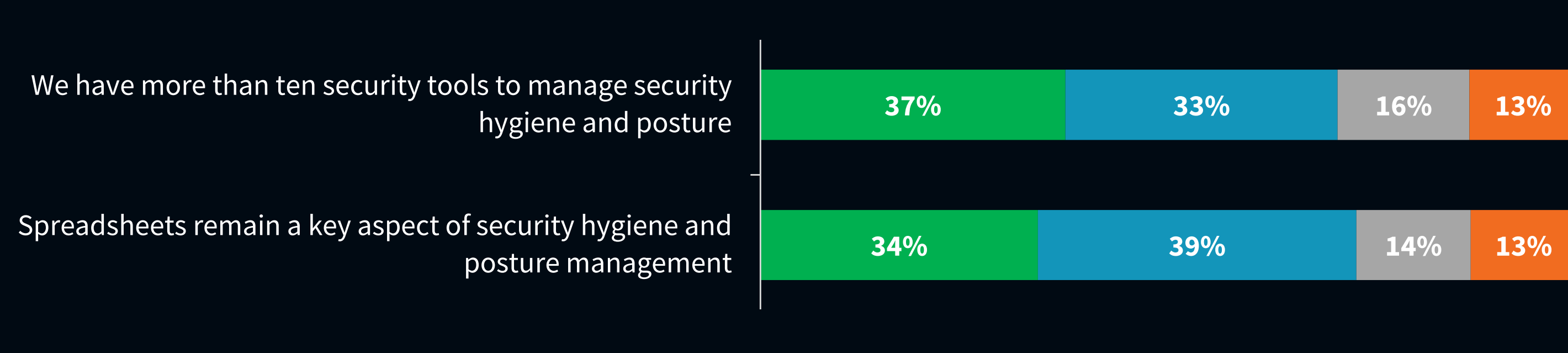


Security Hygiene and Posture Management

Organizations have accelerated cloud computing initiatives to support a growing population of remote users while also deploying new types of devices as part of digital transformation initiatives. These trends result in a growing attack surface, management challenges, vulnerabilities, and potential system compromises. Meanwhile, security teams are concerned about recent major cybersecurity hacks. Organizations must therefore assess processes, examine vendor risk, and test security more frequently.

Security Hygiene and Posture Management Remains One of the Least Mature Areas of Cybersecurity



The External Attack Surface Is Vulnerable and Prone to Exploitation



The attack surface at my organization has increased substantially over the past 2 years

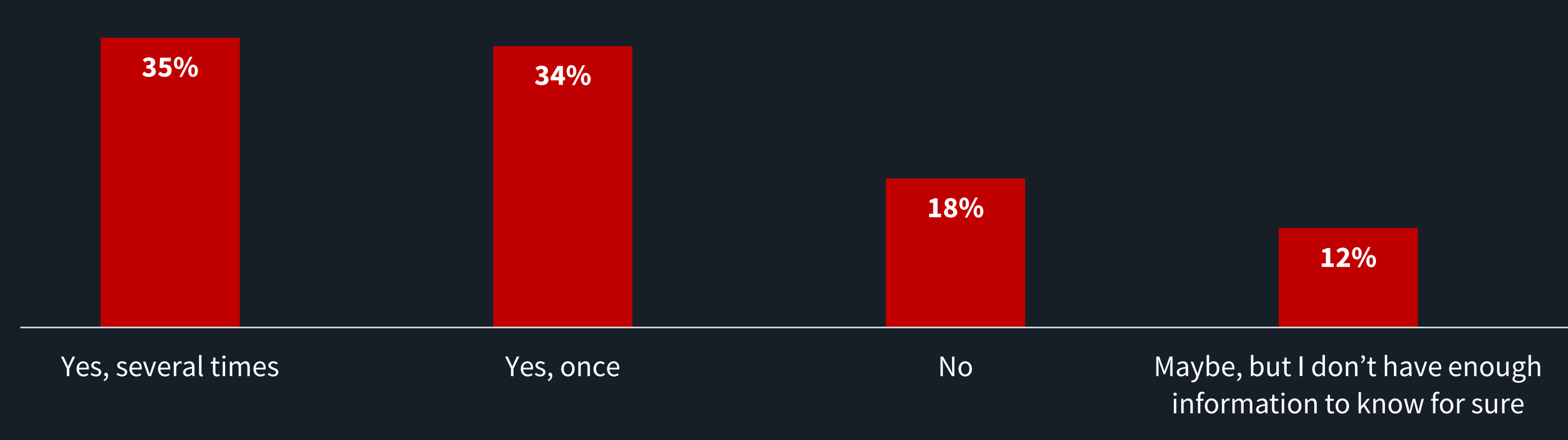
22%

The attack surface at my organization has increased slightly over the past 2 years

45%



HAVE ORGANIZATIONS EXPERIENCED ATTACKS TIED TO INTERNET-FACING ASSETS?



Asset Management Depends Upon Tools, Processes, and Cross-department Cooperation

ON AVERAGE, ORGANIZATIONS:



Use 10

IT asset inventory systems.



Devote 89

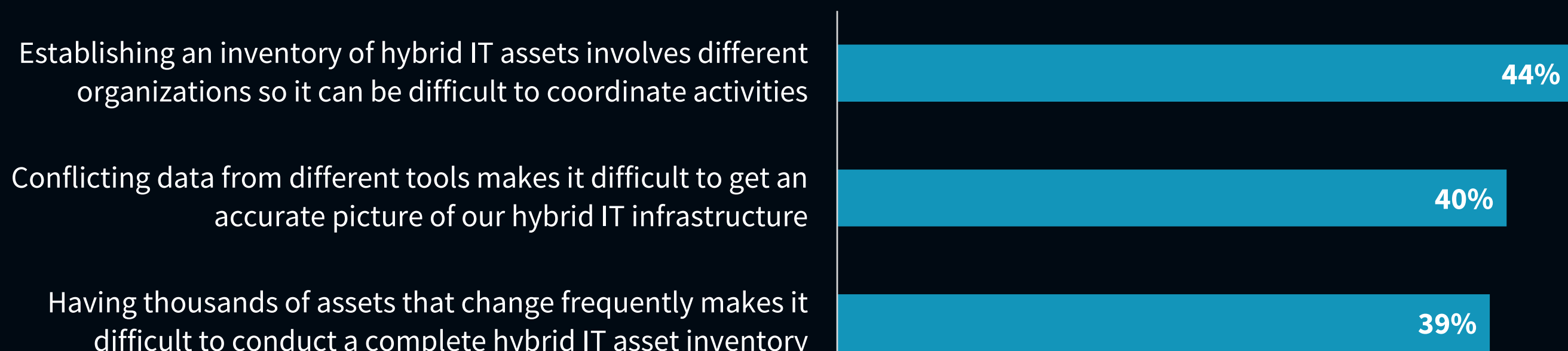
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Conduct IT asset inventory audits every

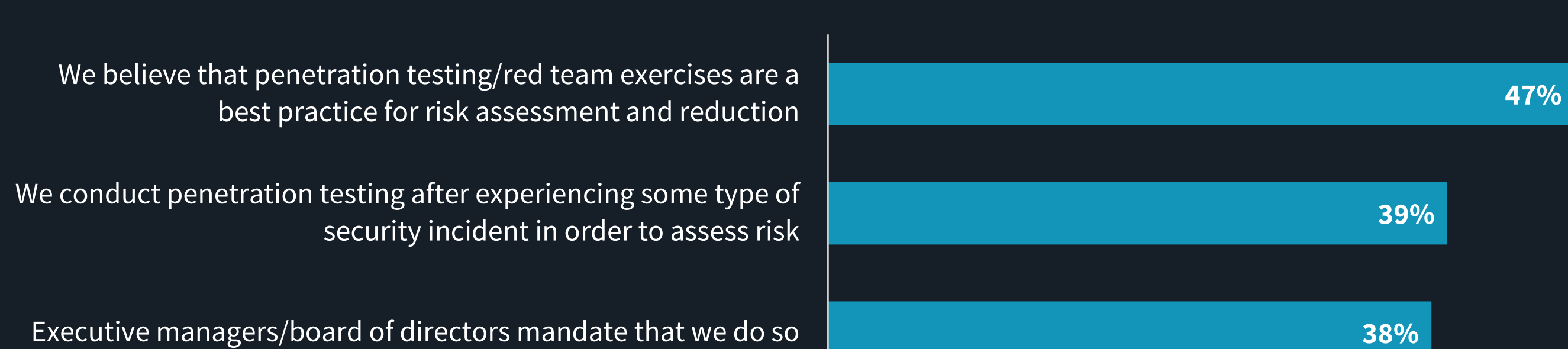
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TOP 3 CHALLENGES UNDERSTANDING IT ASSET INVENTORY.

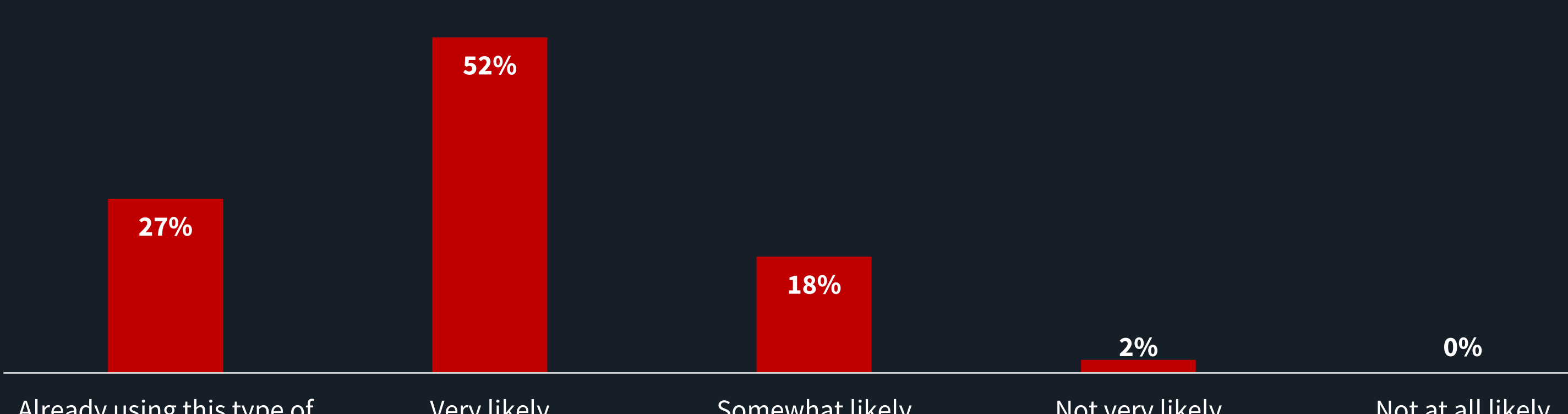


While the Value of Security Testing Is Well Understood, Frequency and Depth Remain Underserved

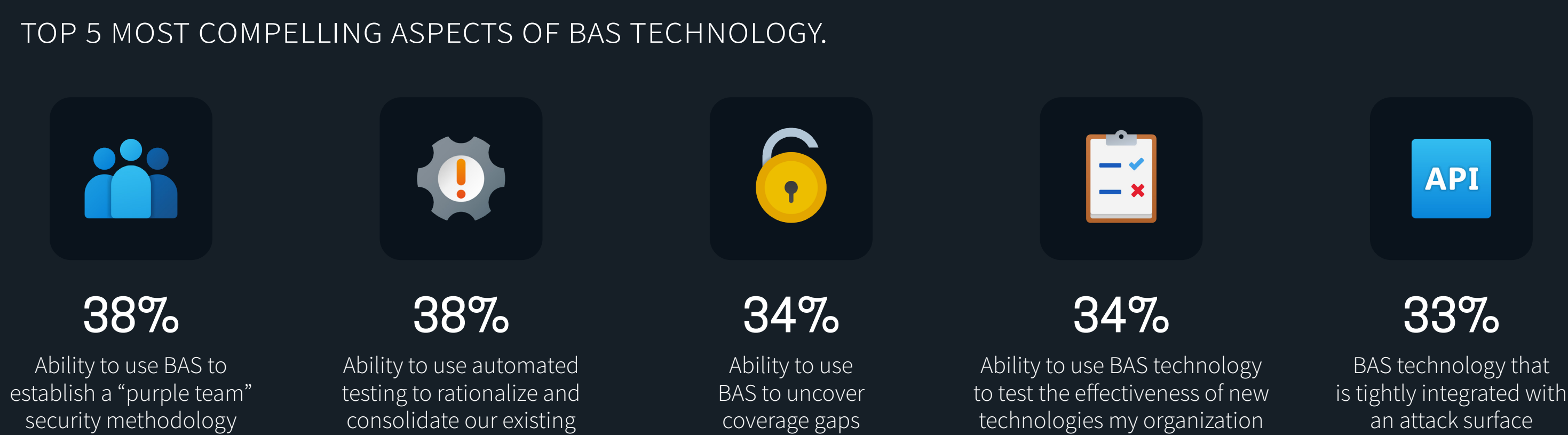
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BREACH AND ATTACK SIMULATION (BAS) TECHNOLOGY USE.

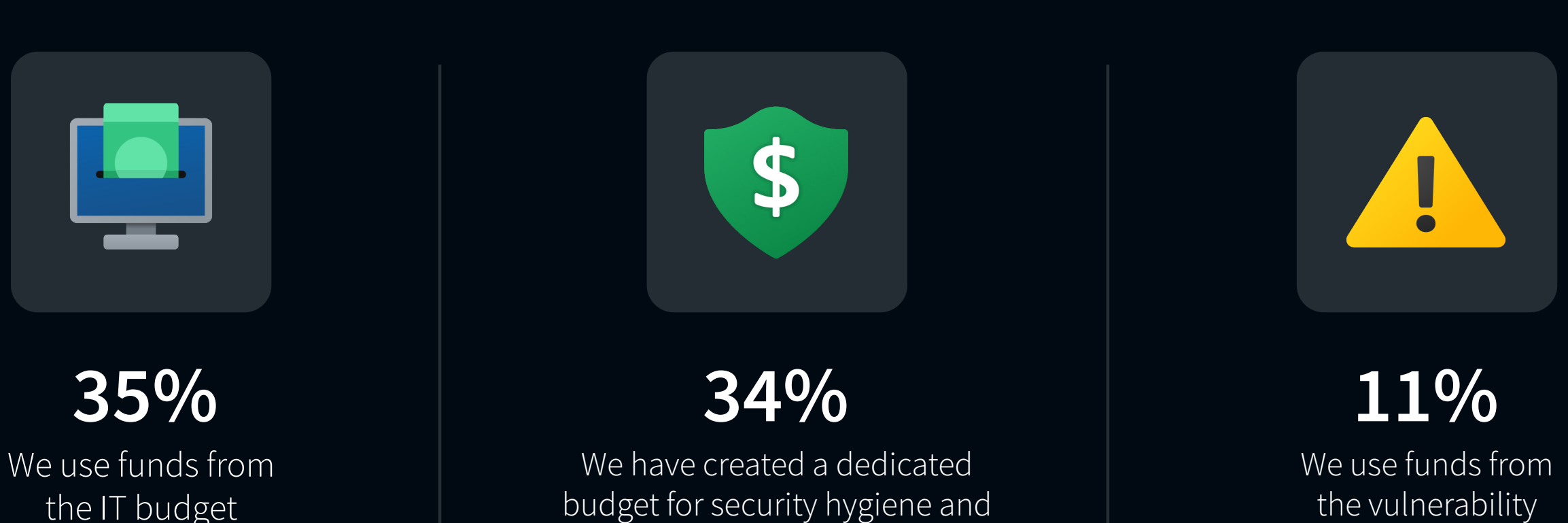


TOP 5 MOST COMPELLING ASPECTS OF BAS TECHNOLOGY.

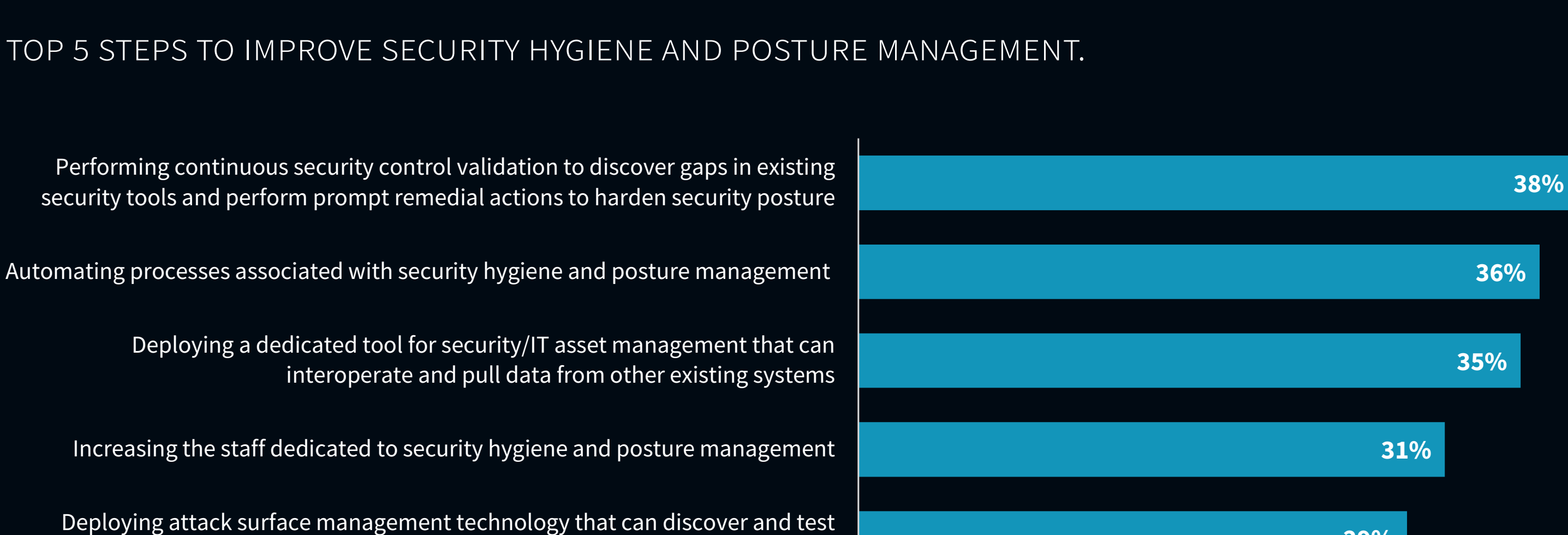


Security Hygiene and Posture Management Strategies Are Evolving

TOP 3 SOURCES OF BUDGET FOR SECURITY HYGIENE AND POSTURE MANAGEMENT.



TOP 5 STEPS TO IMPROVE SECURITY HYGIENE AND POSTURE MANAGEMENT.



LEARN MORE

For more from this ESG research study, including analysis of an important emerging market segment that CISOs should keep an eye on, read the ESG Research Report, *Security Hygiene and Posture Management*.