



GUARDIAN ONE CYBER RISK INTELLIGENCE - Q1 REPORT 2026

Global | GCC | Asia Cyber Threat & Risk Outlook

From Exposure to Resilience:
Mapping Modern Cyber Risk

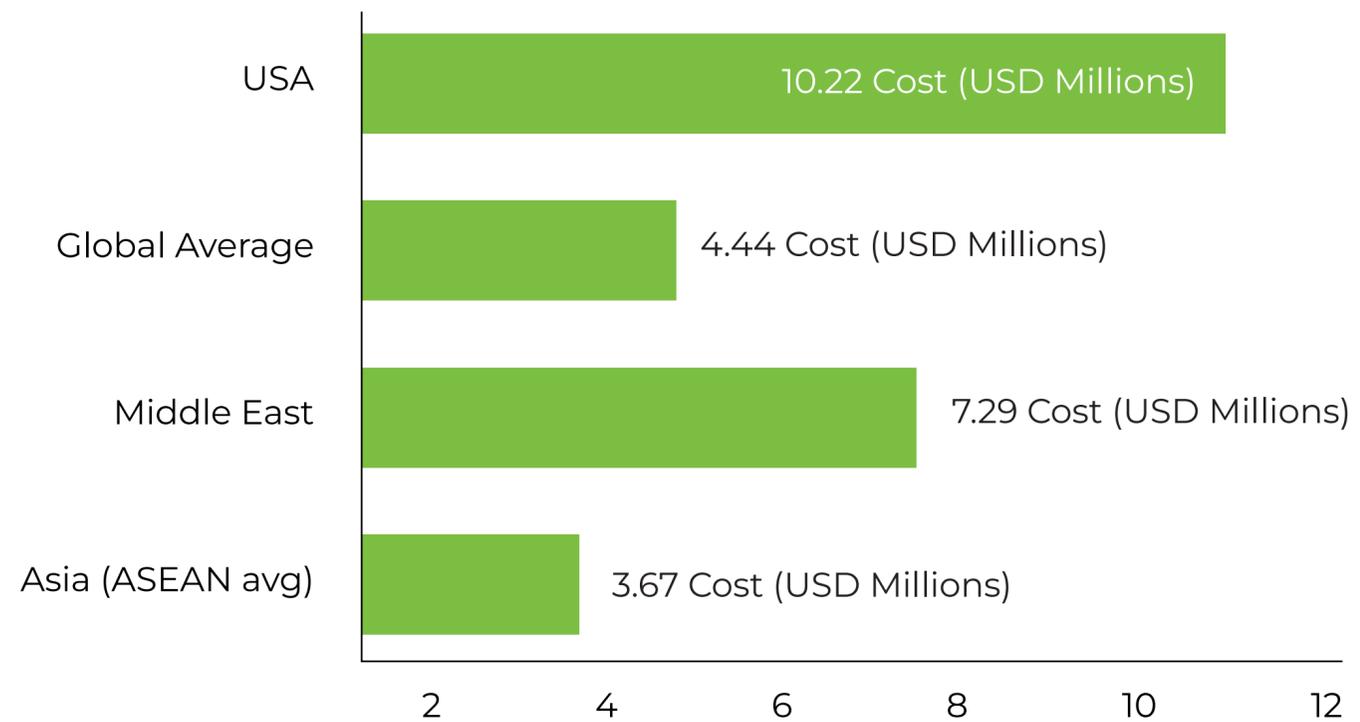


GLOBAL CYBER RISK SNAPSHOT

- Global average data breach cost: \$4.44M
- United States average breach cost: \$10.22M
- Estimated global cybercrime cost: ~\$10.5 Trillion annually (projection)
- Middle East average breach cost: ~\$7.29M (regional benchmark)

Cyber risk is becoming financially uneven across regions, with emerging markets facing disproportionate exposure.

GLOBAL BREACH COST COMPARISON



Source:
IBM Cost of a Data Breach Report 2025 | IBM Cybersecurity Insights Report
IBM + regional cybersecurity market analysis reports





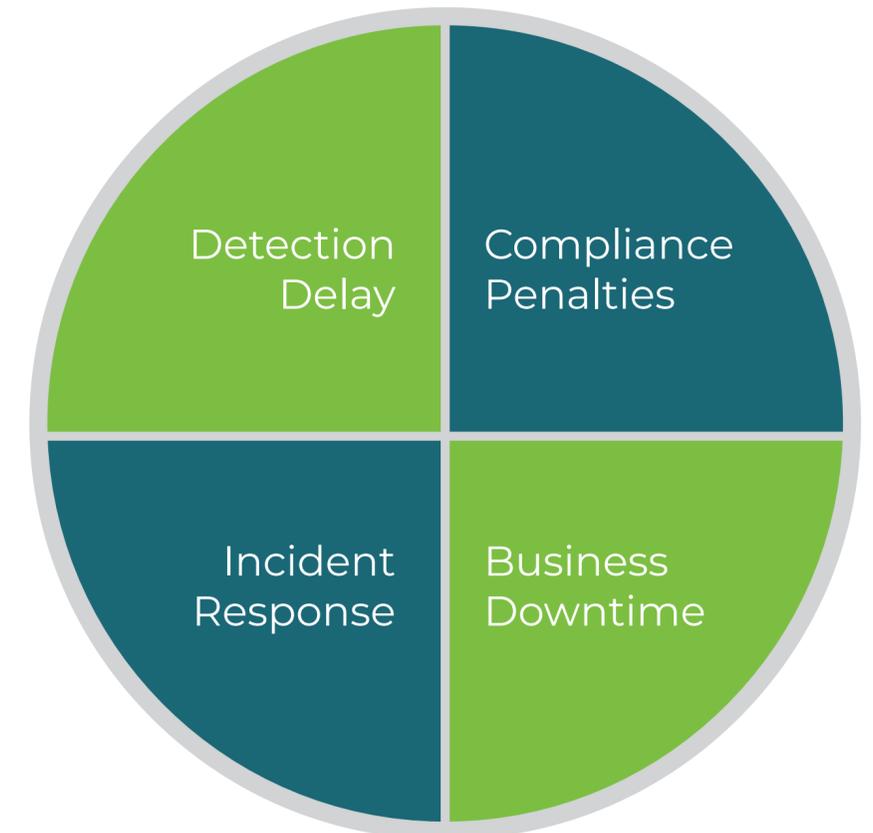
GLOBAL CYBER RISK LANDSCAPE

- Cybercrime projected economic impact: ~\$10.5 Trillion/year
- Breach costs driven primarily by:
 - Detection delays
 - Business downtime
 - Regulatory penalties

Cybercrime is now a global shadow economy rivaling major GDP sectors.

BREACH COST DRIVERS

- HIGH
- MEDIUM

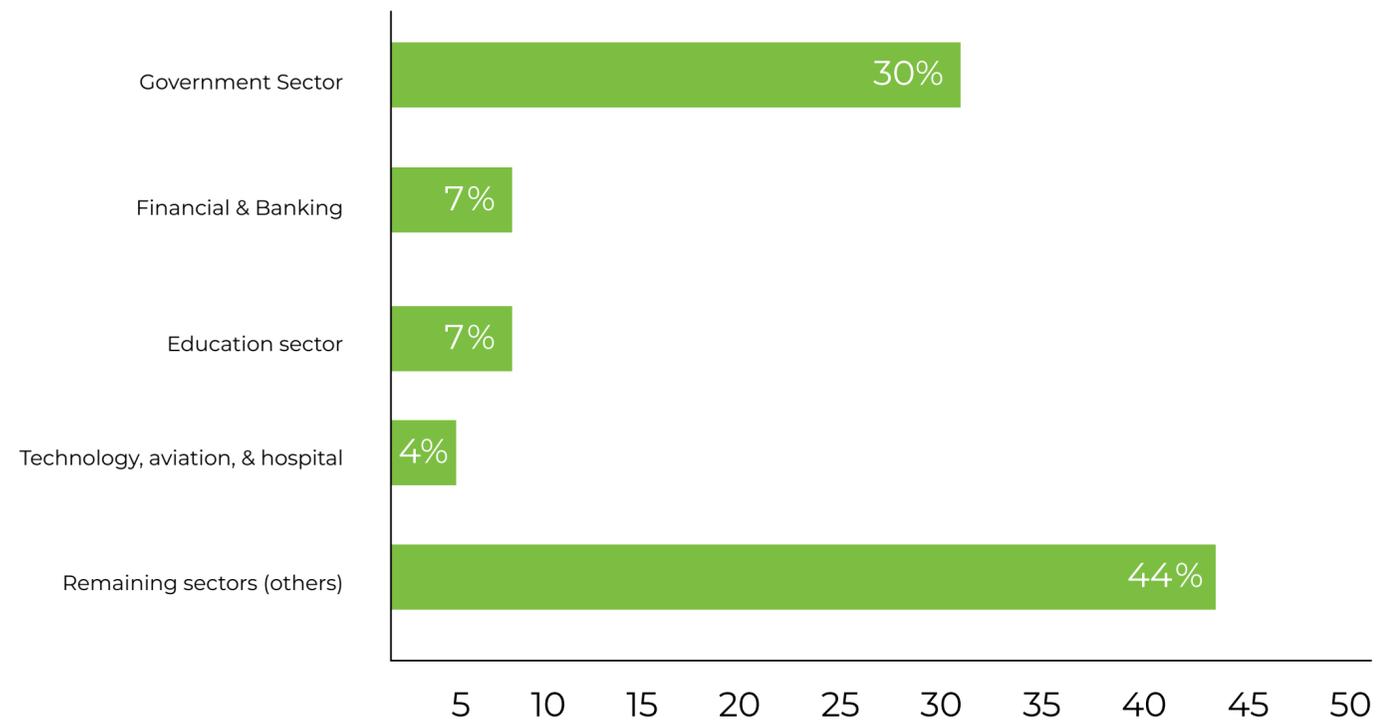


GCC CYBER RISK LANDSCAPE

- UAE experiences 200,000+ cyberattack attempts daily
- GCC average breach cost: ~\$7M+ (regional benchmark)
- Highest-target sectors:
 - Banking & Financial Services
 - Government infrastructure
 - Energy sector

The GCC is a high-value cyber target environment due to rapid digital transformation.

UAE CYBER THREAT EXPOSURE



Source:
UAE Cyber Security Council / WAM News Agency | IBM + GCC cybersecurity market reports
UAE Cyber Security Council (WAM)



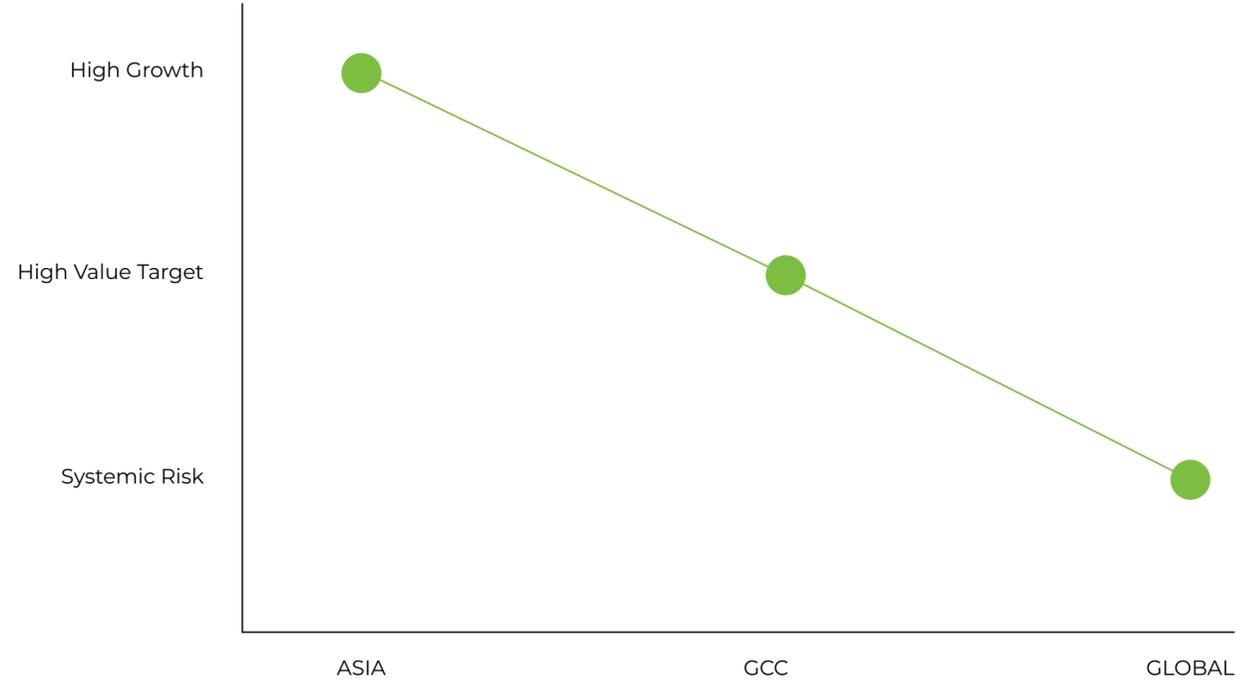


ASIA CYBER RISK LANDSCAPE

- ASEAN average breach cost: \$3.67M (rising trend)
- Asia is the fastest-growing digital economy and attack surface
- Key risks:
 - Credential theft
 - Phishing campaigns
 - Supply chain attacks

Asia's rapid digitalization is outpacing cybersecurity maturity.

REGIONAL RISK GROWTH



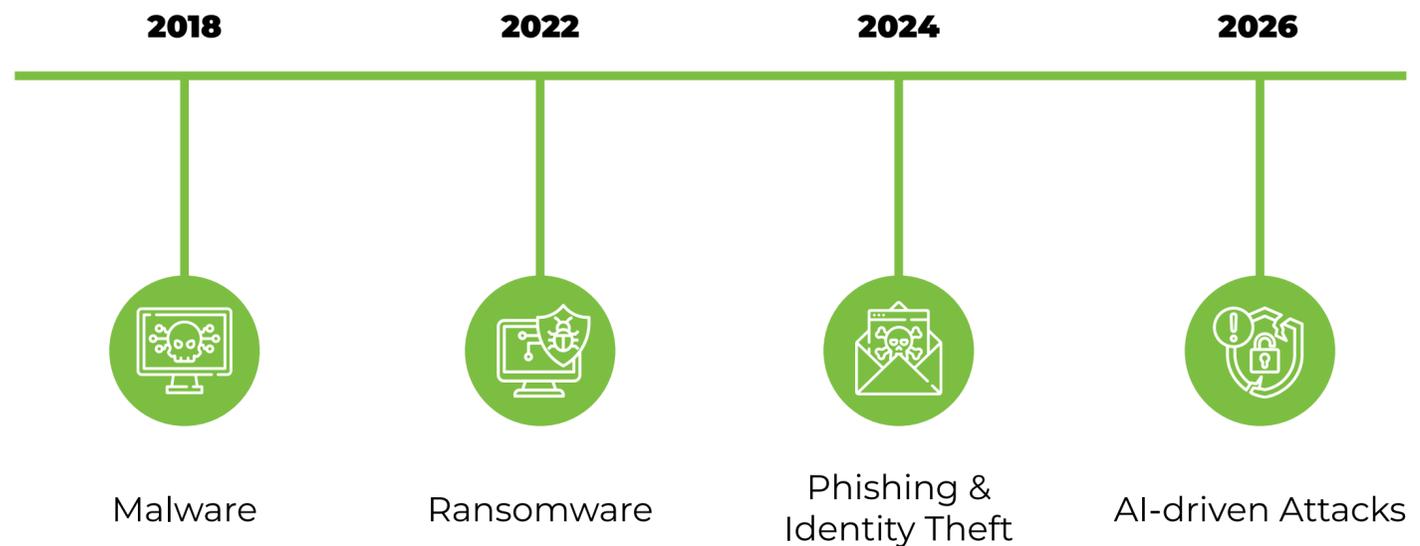
Source: IBM Data Breach Report regional breakdown | IBM Cybersecurity Analysis Reports

EMERGING THREAT TRENDS

- AI-enabled phishing and fraud automation increasing
- Ransomware evolving into organized “Cybercrime-as-a-Service”
- Cloud misconfiguration remains leading breach cause
- Identity-based attacks are now primary entry point

Cyberattacks are now AI-accelerated, scalable, and industrialized.

THREAT EVOLUTION TIMELINE



Source:

World Economic Forum Cybersecurity Outlook | IBM Security Reports | Gartner Cybersecurity Research
Verizon Data Breach Investigations Report (DBIR) | Verizon DBIR + IBM Security Trends





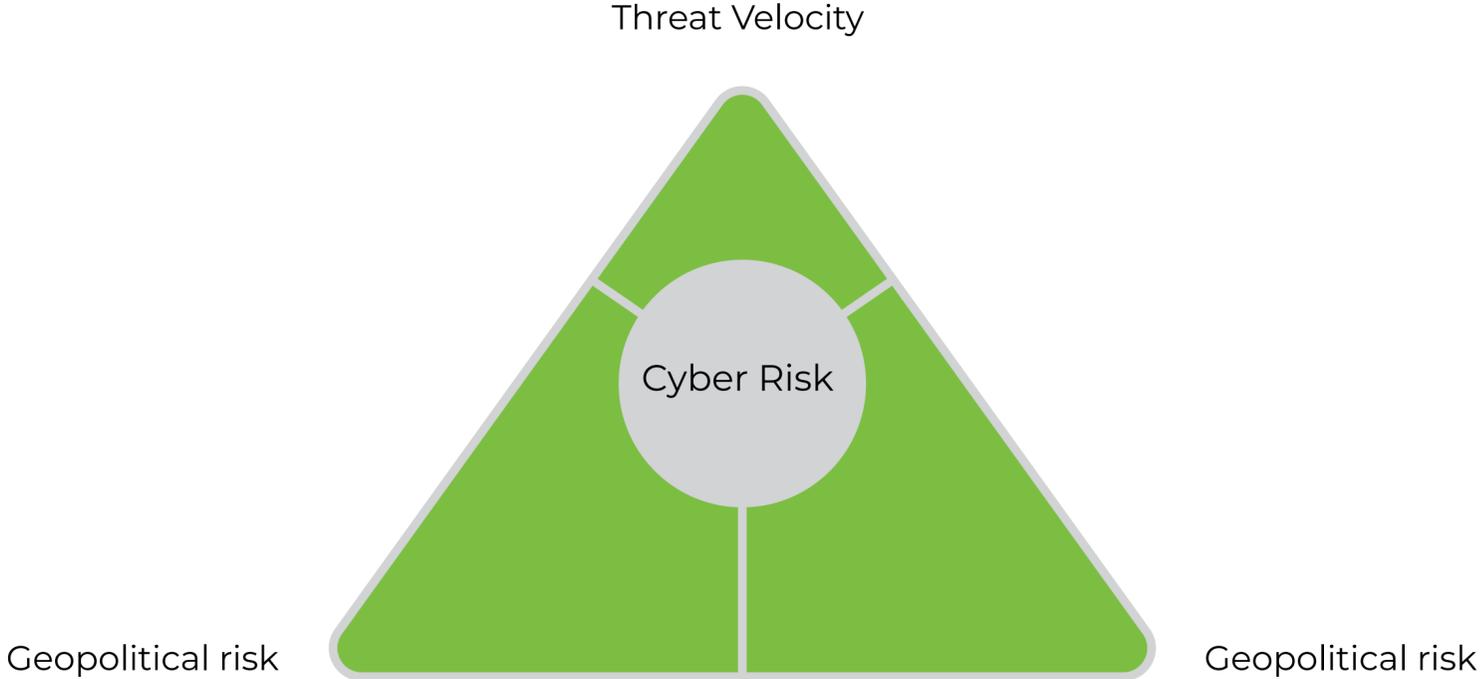
STRATEGIC INSIGHT

→ Cyber risk is no longer an IT concern.
It is now:

- Financial risk
- Governance risk
- Geopolitical risk

Organizations that cannot measure cyber exposure cannot manage enterprise risk.

CYBER RISK EQUATION



Source: Guardian One Cyber Risk Intelligence Framework (Q2026 1 synthesis of IBM + WEF + Gartner insights)



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- IBM Cost of a Data Breach Report 2025 — <https://www.ibm.com/reports/data-breach>
- IBM Cybersecurity Insights — <https://www.ibm.com/think/topics/cybersecurity>
- UAE Cyber Security Council / WAM News Agency Reports — <https://www.wam.ae>
- World Economic Forum Cybersecurity Outlook — <https://www.weforum.org>
- Verizon Data Breach Investigations Report (DBIR) — <https://www.verizon.com/business/resources/reports/dbir/>
- Gartner Cybersecurity Research (industry summaries) — <https://www.gartner.com>