

**LOUISVILLE-JEFFERSON COUNTY  
METRO GOVERNMENT  
METRO TECHNOLOGY SERVICES**

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# Presenters



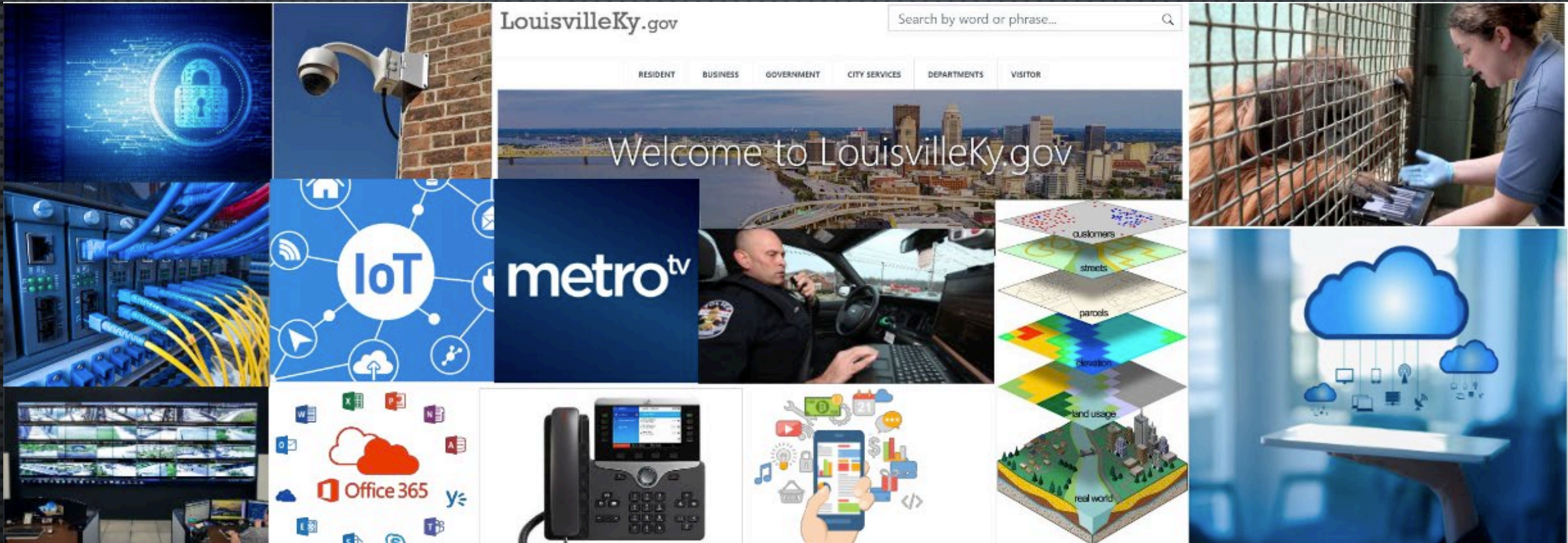
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# What we do





# By the Numbers

21,000 IP connected devices

2.5 PB of data stored

3 data centers

6,000 users

128 linear miles of fiber optic cable

41,000 help desk calls per year

82 fulltime employees

20 contractors

185 connected buildings

**216 Million Annual Cyber Security Events**





# Our Approach to Cyber



Confidentiality



Integrity



Availability



DEFENSE IN DEPTH  
CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT

# Continuous Improvement

FY 15-17

FY 18-19

FY 20-21

FY 22-23

FY 24+

- Intrusion protection
- Web security
- Email security
- Modern antivirus
- Mobile device management
- Admin account protection

- Cloud Security
- Strategic partnerships
- Vulnerability management
- Disaster recovery
- Continuity of Government
- Continuous assessments

- COVID!
- Protecting telework
- 24X7 operations
- Benchmark against peers
- Vendor risk management
- Policy and governance review
- Incident detection and response

- Data encryption
- Malware analysis
- Critical application assessments
- Tabletop exercise
- Zero trust
- Email spoofing prevention
- Asset management

- Password free login
- Reassess and refine security architecture
- Digital forensics
- Rogue device detection
- **Kentucky Cyber Threat Intelligence Cooperative (KCTIC)**



# Threat Landscape

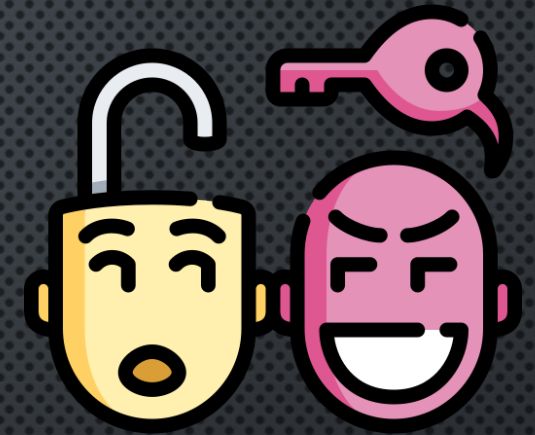
What are the top cyber threats that we face as a city government?



Ransomware and Scareware



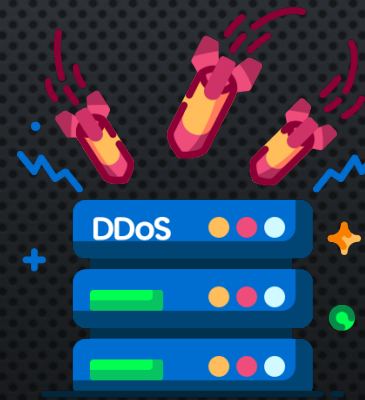
Data Breach



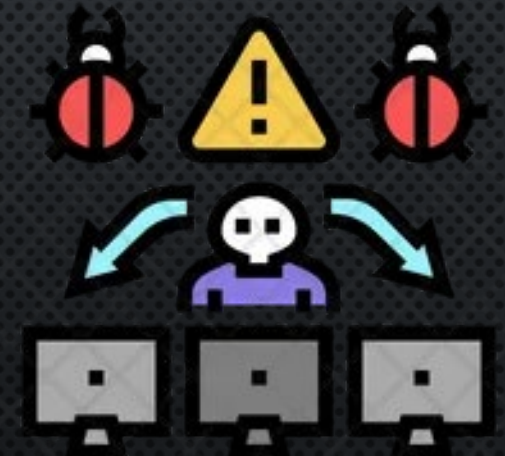
Social Engineering



Zero Day Exploits










Denial of Service Attacks











Insider Threats and Human Error



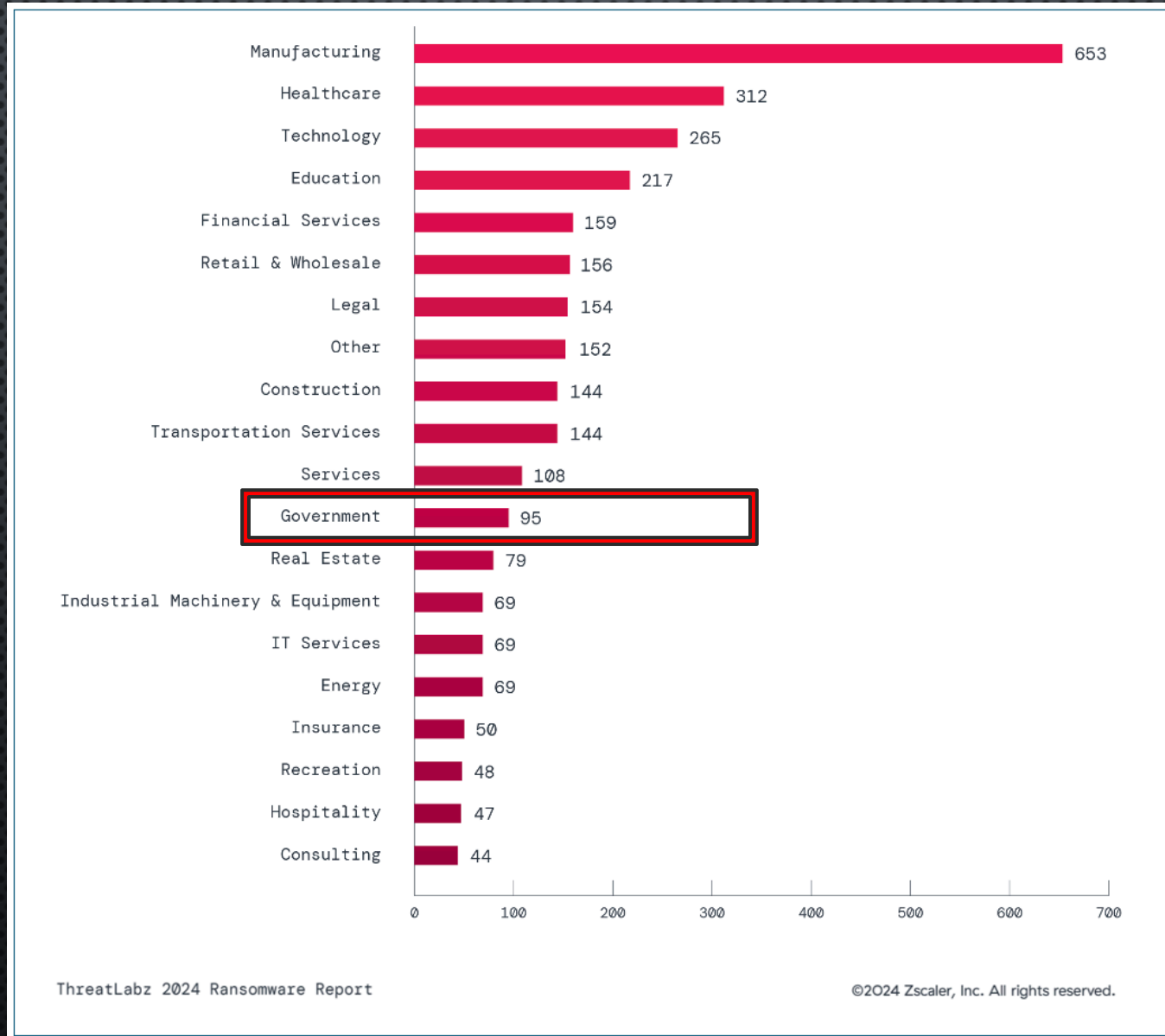
# Who is behind these attacks?

<b>Adversary</b>	<b>Nation-State or Category</b>
 <b>BEAR</b>	RUSSIA
 <b>BUFFALO</b>	VIETNAM
 <b>CHOLLIMA</b>	DPRK (NORTH KOREA)
 <b>CRANE</b>	ROK (REPUBLIC OF KOREA)
 <b>HAWK</b>	SYRIA
 <b>JACKAL</b>	HACKTIVIST
 <b>KITTEN</b>	IRAN

 <b>LEOPARD</b>	PAKISTAN
 <b>LYNX</b>	GEORGIA
 <b>OCELOT</b>	COLOMBIA
 <b>PANDA</b>	PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA
 <b>SPHINX</b>	EGYPT
 <b>SPIDER</b>	ECRIME
 <b>TIGER</b>	INDIA
 <b>WOLF</b>	TURKEY



# 2024 Ransomware Report





# Global Cyber Incidents

**Ransomware attacks on Governments and other organizations continue.**

## **Recent Ransomware Attacks:**

- Meat processor JBS, Colonial Pipeline, Houston Rockets, CNA Financials, Oldsmar Florida Water Processing Plant, Kia Motors, Acer Computer Corporation, Baltimore, Dallas, Fort Worth PD, Atlanta and Fulton County, Anchorage, **Norton Healthcare, and many others.**

## **Other Notable Incidents:**

- SolarWinds and Microsoft attacks occurred months before the vulnerabilities were publicly released to partners (lack of consistent communication)
- Microsoft Azure and Office 365 outages
- CrowdStrike worldwide outage causes Billions in damages July of 2024
- McAfee configuration issue in 2011
- **98% percent of cyber incidents involve preventable human error.**



# Local Gov Impacts of Global Incidents

- **Pensacola City Government – Days after a shooting on a Naval base, ransomware impacts 311, medical records, phones, and other public services.**
  - Pensacola refused to pay, and the hackers started leaking data online
- **Baltimore – 2019, 911 systems shut down during citywide protests due to cyber attack**
  - Attacks used to disrupt emergency services responding to rioters.
- **Monroe County, IN and Columbus, OH ransomware attacks**
- **Jefferson County Clerk's Office and PVA office ransomware attacks.**
  
- **Louisville Metro Government**
  - 81 home rule cities, municipalities, fire districts, and quasi-governmental agencies greatly increase the risk
  - Mass spam and phishing
  - Attacks from local law firms, quasi-government agencies, and financial partners of Metro
  - Local law firms and quasi-governmental agencies used as staging point for attacks
  - **Cyber incidents increase up to 200% during events that generate a news cycle**



# City/County Capabilities and Needs

## What can we do and not do?

- **We can:**

- Increase collaboration with regional partners, both private and government, through strategic partnerships
- Apply limited amount of available Federal grant funding to increase collaboration and capabilities
- Advise and mentor
- Help remove impediments to effective information sharing
  - **Kentucky Cyber Threat Intelligence Cooperative (KCTIC)**

- **We cannot:**

- Run or fund cyber programs for home rule cities and counties at present staffing and funding levels
- Support KCTIC long term without financial support



# What Can you Do?

- **Incentivize collaboration with regional partners, both private and government, in the KCTIC**
- **Consider legislation outlawing paying ransom, but also fund cities and counties to a level that positions them to not have to pay ransom by funding:**
  - Backups of critical systems
  - Modern antivirus and firewall
  - Disaster recovery plans
  - Outsourced IT and Cyber where applicable
  - Cyber insurance
- **Consider legislation creating an approved IT vendor and product process and list**
- **Consider legislation supporting continued funding for KCTIC**



# Questions

