



# **2023 Cloud Security Study** ***Fact or Fiction?***

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The Challenges of Data Security and  
Sovereignty in a Multicloud World

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Multi-cloud is a reality,  
regardless of cloud  
maturity.



79%

have more than one  
cloud provider.

SaaS Usage is Growing.



97

Avg. number of apps, increasing  
the number of points of use  
where **data must be secured**.

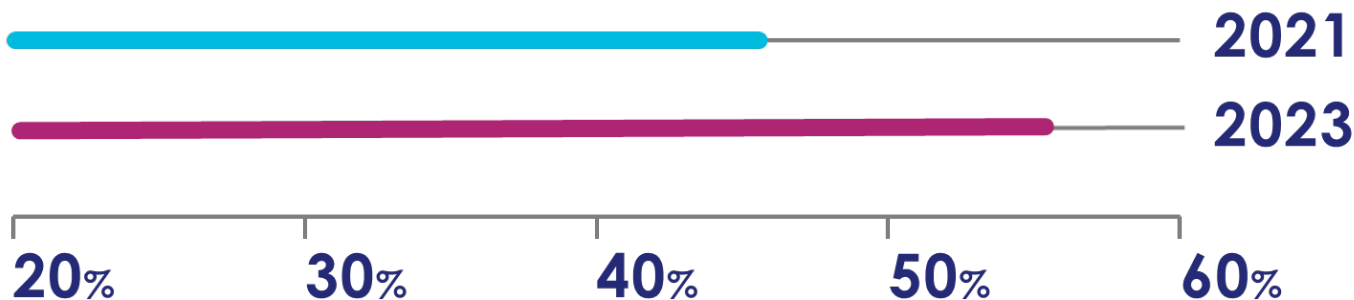


38%

SaaS apps voted the **leading  
targets for attackers** followed by  
**cloud-based storage**

Securing data in the cloud is seen as becoming more complex.

It has increased to 55% from 46% just two years ago.



# We're only human:



The **leading** cause of cloud data breaches is **human error**.



of respondents chose human error as the leading cause of cloud data breaches.

55%



Exploitation of vulnerabilities was the second highest selection at...

21%

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# Dramatic increase in sensitive data reported in the cloud.

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75%

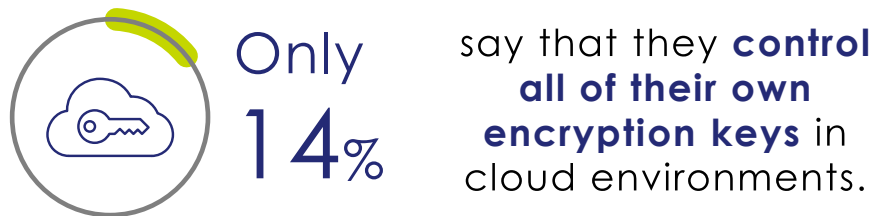
of respondents report that **40% or more of their data in the cloud is sensitive**, up from **49% in 2021**.

# Levels of sensitive data encryption must be higher.



report that **60% or more of their cloud sensitive data is encrypted, with the average of only 45%** of data encrypted.

# Complex key management creates security & operational risks.



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Digital sovereignty  
issues around cloud  
usage **loom large on  
multiple** fronts.

Respondents report **high use of cloud  
provider-dependent encryption key  
management**, alongside **growing  
concerns** about **sovereignty mandates**.



are concerned about impacts of sovereignty on  
cloud deployments.

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# Questions

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