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Staying one step ahead of the growing cyberthreats

NO AGENCY IS IMMUNE

- Virginia experienced 76 million cyberattacks in 2016[1]
- St. Louis Public Library was hit with ransomware, demanding $35,000 in Bitcoin[2]
- Cook County, Chicago was a victim of the WannaCry ransomware attack[3]
- Bingham County, Idaho paid $3,000 in ransomware to restore its servers[4]

A cyberattack can be a political statement — Hacking groups targeted Arizona State Police after a controversial immigration bill and Howard County, MD was hacked with pro-Islamic State messages in 2017.[5][6]

DRAMATIC INCREASE IN CYBERATTACKS

35% Web application attacks grew by 35% between Q1 2016 and Q1 2017[7]

The FBI says ransomware cost U.S. taxpayers **$1 billion** during 2016[8]

Public sector agencies experienced **137%** more cyberattacks over the last few years[9]

Ransomware at all levels of government tripled between 2015 and 2016[10]

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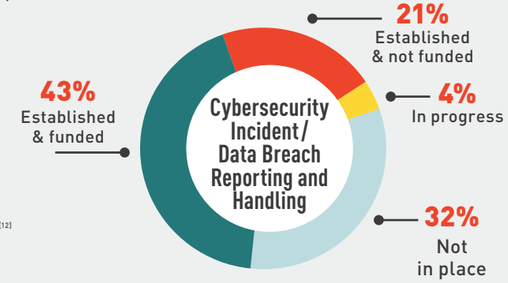
HOW STATES ARE COMBATING CYBERTHREATS

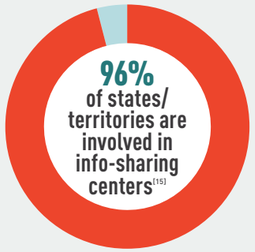
"State and local governments face unique cybersecurity threats that can endanger critical infrastructure, as well as residents' sensitive personal and financial data."—*Sen. Gary Peters (D-Mich.)*

The Good News:
More States Take Cyberthreats Seriously

- **40%** have established CISOs or equivalent roles[11]
- **38%** describe their cyber initiative as mature[12]
- **27%** have state-level cybersecurity programs[13]



Source: Deloitte-NASCIO study[14]



Collaborate to Battle Cyberthreats

- State and Local Cyber Protection Act would require federal government to help protect state and local government agencies[16]
- National Governors Association's Meet the Threat initiative helps states tackle cybersecurity threats head-on[17]

INNOVATION IN ACTION

Alabama has standards in alignment with NIST Risk Management Framework and centralized governance, risk, and compliance[18]

Colorado set up "Securing Colorado" program that led to 48% reduction in risk over two years[19]

Illinois is developing a "cyber disruption strategy" aimed at responding to and minimizing the impact of a significant cyber incident[20]

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