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THINKING ABOUT
Security
like a CIO

Zayo spoke to IT leaders to understand how and when they think about security. The bottom line answer: somewhere from "often" to "always." Whether it's protecting against DDoS attacks or deeper network threats, security has the attention of IT leadership — and the C-suite.

1 IN 5

of the IT leaders we surveyed listed security as their greatest business pressure and nearly every leader made some mention of the importance of security.

"Almost every conversation we have with the CIO focuses around security concerns. How am I protecting my stuff? These are some of the critical pieces that are going to go in on the infrastructure."

LARGE DEALS LEAD, TECH CONSULTING COMPANY

"Security is my biggest concern. No matter how much you do in security, there's always a threat. It seems like the bad guys are always one step ahead."

CIO, HEALTHCARE COMPANY

Why security causes business pressures:

- Strict security requirements **stifle innovation**
- Threat of being **taken offline** due to cyberattacks
- **Data security** is of the utmost importance to leaders and customers
- Cyberattacks can **cost money, resources, and customer trust**
- Leaders must consider **business continuity** in the face of threats

What are IT leaders doing about it?

- Creating DevSecOps and InfoSec teams
- Hiring cybersecurity experts
- Mandating employee security training
- Investing in security tools and solution

What else are IT leaders thinking about?

Read Digital Transformation: Perspectives from IT Leaders.

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Conducted in partnership with NewtonX, Zayo surveyed more than 50 enterprise IT leaders and conducted in-depth interviews with more than 15 others.