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**CISCO Report Finds Security Professionals Express Concerns Managing Multiple Vendors**

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**Hikvision on CISO Security Concerns Cited in Forbes Report**

Cisco's sixth annual CISO Benchmark Report found that most organizations use more than 20 security technologies, with security professionals expressing concern over the increased complexity of managing multiple vendors, [according to an article in *Security* magazine](https://www.securitymagazine.com/articles/91776-cisco-2020-ciso-benchmark-report-average-company-uses-20-security-technologies).

"As organizations increasingly embrace digital transformation, CISOs are placing higher priority in adopting new security technologies to reduce exposure against malicious actors and threats. Often, many of these solutions don't integrate, creating substantial complexity in managing their security environment. To address this issue, security professionals will continue steady movement towards vendor consolidation, while increasing reliance on cloud security and automation to strengthen their security posture and reduce the risk of breaches,” said Steve Martino, CISCO SVP and CISO, in the article.

The report also found that:

* 52 percent of respondents said mobile devices are becoming increasingly difficult to defend.
* 27 percent of respondents confirmed they use [multi-factor authentication](https://us.hikvision.com/en/blog/hikvision-cybersecurity-director-multi-factor-authentication-mfa-reduce-security-concerns-lower) (MFA).
* Vulnerabilities have increased. From the report: “Breaches due to an unpatched vulnerability caused higher levels of data loss—A key concern for 2020 is that 46 percent of organizations, up from 30 percent in last year's report, had an incident caused by an unpatched vulnerability.”

For more about CISO challenges, read this Hikvision blog: “[Forbes Insight Report Uncovers Security Concerns, Finds CISOs Believe Cyberattacks Will Increase](https://us.hikvision.com/en/blog/forbes-insight-report-uncovers-security-concerns-finds-cisos-believe-cyberattacks-will-increase).”