



Top cloud security threats & trends 2022

Over the past six months, Lacework Labs discovered these threats and trends in cloud security.

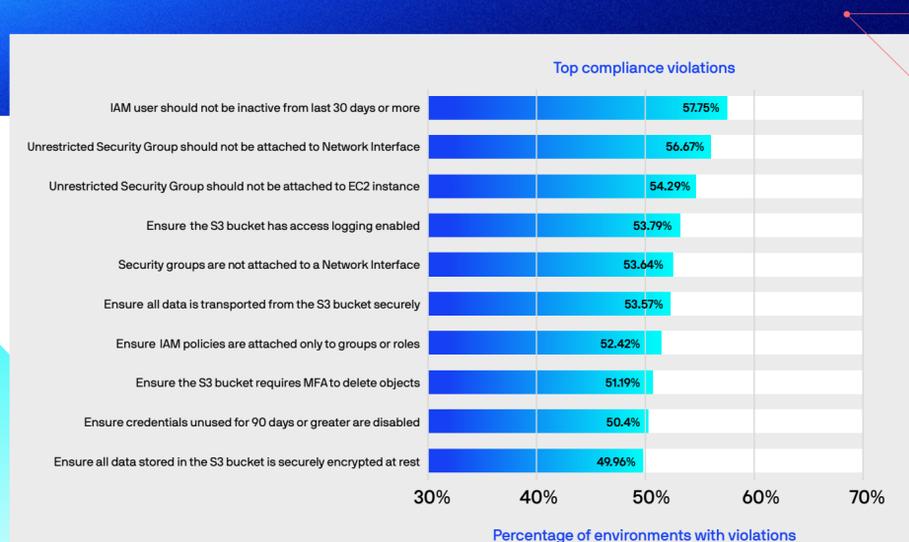


- Cloud configuration **mistakes**.
- Supply chain **vulnerabilities**.
- Adapted malware that's **hard to detect**.

Cloud security posture

72% have insecure configurations

50% did not require MFA for delete operations

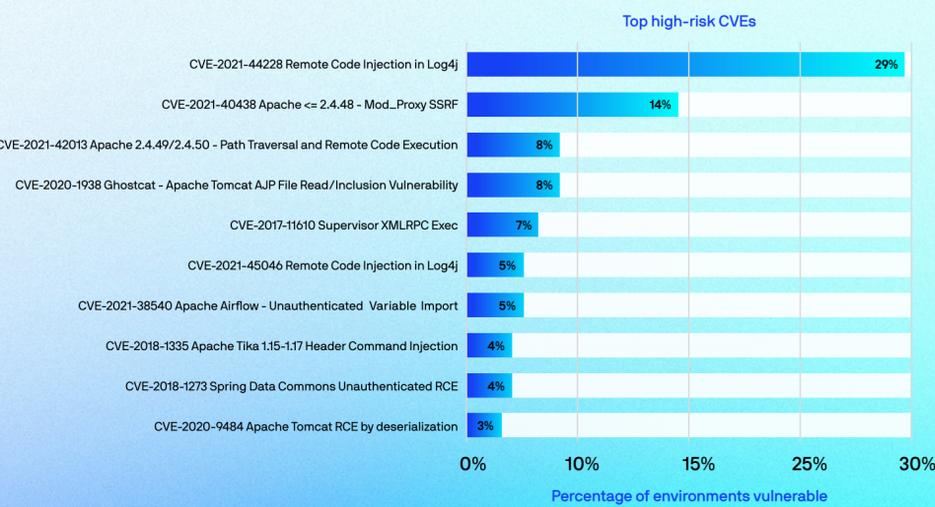


TIP: Ensure Docker APIs are not externally accessible. Beware of malicious containers masquerading as legitimate.

Vulnerabilities & software supply chain

<48 hrs time it takes for Muhstik to exploit remote code execution vulnerabilities

31% of malware infections use Apache Log4j



TIP: Beware! Attacks targeting third-party software libraries are on the rise. Knowing what code you are running and where you are running it is key to responding to future incidents.

Runtime threats & Linux malware



Date	Count
2021-06-14T19:54:18	1 / 60
2021-07-16T06:12:27	6 / 62
2021-08-30T15:49:31	20 / 61
2021-08-31T02:44:17	20 / 61
2021-09-02T12:15:42	22 / 61
2021-09-03T14:14:55	24 / 60

AV Detection Rates

74% of malicious installations on Linux workloads are dominated by a combination of XMRig, Muhstik, and Mirai

Popular Windows malware is ported to Linux with low detection rates

TIP: Implement threat intelligence focused on cloud malware and ensure Linux support for defensive tools.



Proactive defense & intelligence



Alert defenders about post-compromise activity with canary tokens

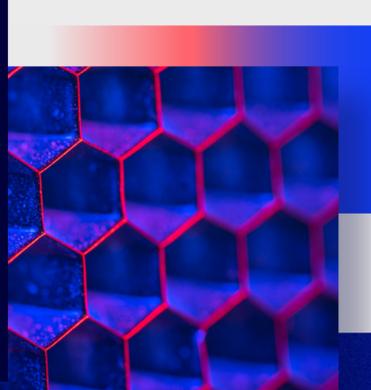


Collect intelligence about where attackers are targeting with honeypots for improved detection

Shine a light on cloud threats continuously

- Identify all assets and quickly find misconfigurations
- Uncover host and container vulnerabilities from build to runtime
- Analyze cloud user and entity behavior for abnormalities and potential compromise

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