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Ransomware protection strategy

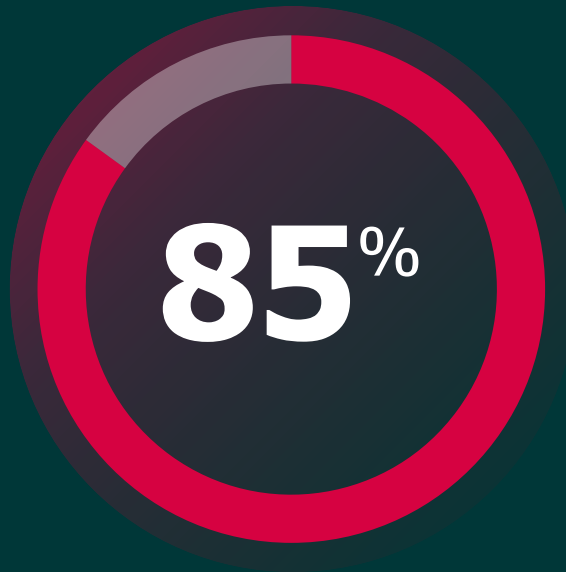
secure your backup with Veeam

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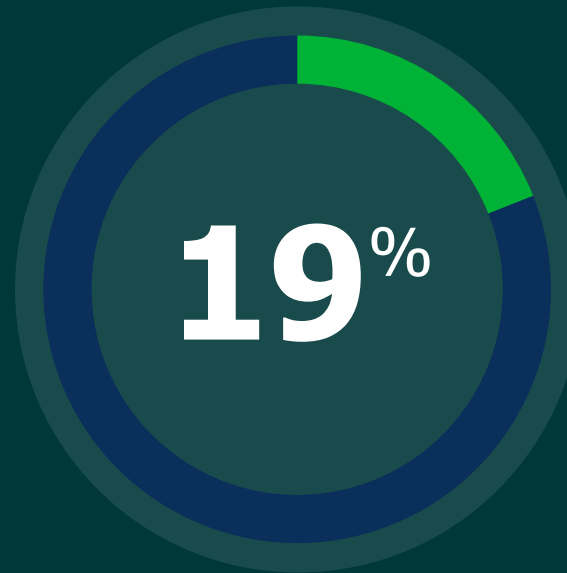
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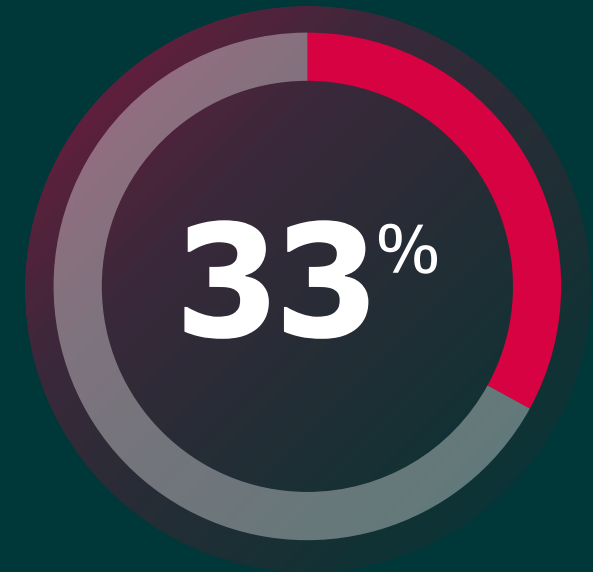
Ransomware is the worst kind of disaster



of companies have experienced at least 1 ransomware attack in the past year*



of companies were able to recover without paying the ransom**



of companies paid the ransom but didn't recover their data

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Ransomware is REAL



Ransomware is a

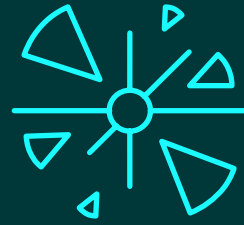
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What are you most concerned about with ransomware?



Unable to service
customers



Brand damage



Loss of profits

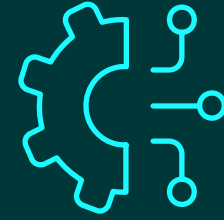
How are you protecting?



Good luck

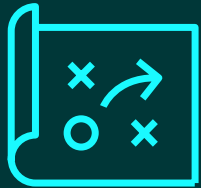


Anti-malware



Oh, that's very complex

What's your plan in the unfortunate event?



Execute plan

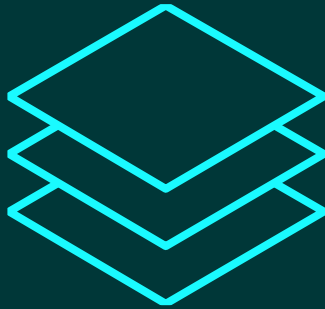


Give up



Pay the ransom

Draw Up Your Battle Plans!



Layered defense!



There is no one magic bullet!

Attackers
only need
to be
right
once!



Defenders
need to
be right
all the
time!

Secure Backup is your last line of Defense

Data Management Protection Strategy

3



Different copies
of data

2



Different media

1



Offsite copy

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1



Of which is:
offline
air-gapped
or immutable

0



No errors after
backup recoverability
verification

Offline, Immutable & Air-gapped

Likely the single most effective resiliency technique is to have some form of offline storage tape, removable disk, etc. as an **ultra-resilient copy**.

Media type	Characteristic
Tape media	Completely offline when not being written to or read from and WORM
Replicated VMs	Powered off and, in most situations, can be a different authentication framework (ex: vSphere and Hyper-V hosts are on a different domain)
Primary storage snapshots	Can be used as recovery techniques and usually have a different authentication framework
Veeam Cloud Connect backups +Insider Protection	Not connected directly to the backup infrastructure and uses a different authentication mechanism along with different API
Rotating hard drives (rotating media)	Offline when not being written to or read from (similar to tape)
Immutable Backups	Backups in AWS S3, Azure Blob, some S3-Compatible storage and HW appliances can keep backup data immutable
Hardened Linux Repository	Linux immutable flag on Veeam backups

Veeam Backup & Replication server



Send immutable period (days)



Data

Proxies
Veeam Agents
repositories

veeamtransport service
(running as normal user)



Forward
immutable
period (days)

veeamimmureposvc service
(running as root)



1 Veeamtransport
service

2 Veeamimmureposvc
service

veeamagent
processes
(running as
normal user)

Read / Write / Delete backup files

Set / remove immutable flag
Maintain extended attributes
Maintain .lock files

/ [ext4]

/data [xfs]

File systems

/dev/sda1

/dev/sdb1

Partitions

/dev/sda

/dev/sdb

Hardware RAID device

RAID-1



RAID-60

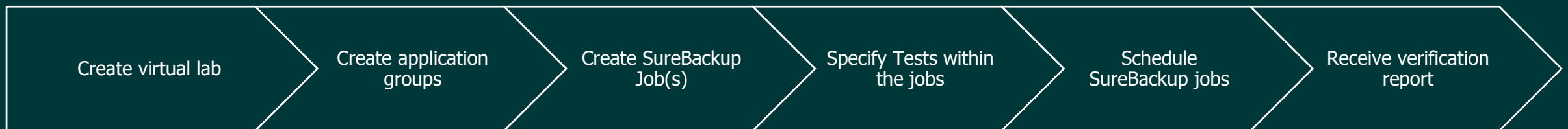
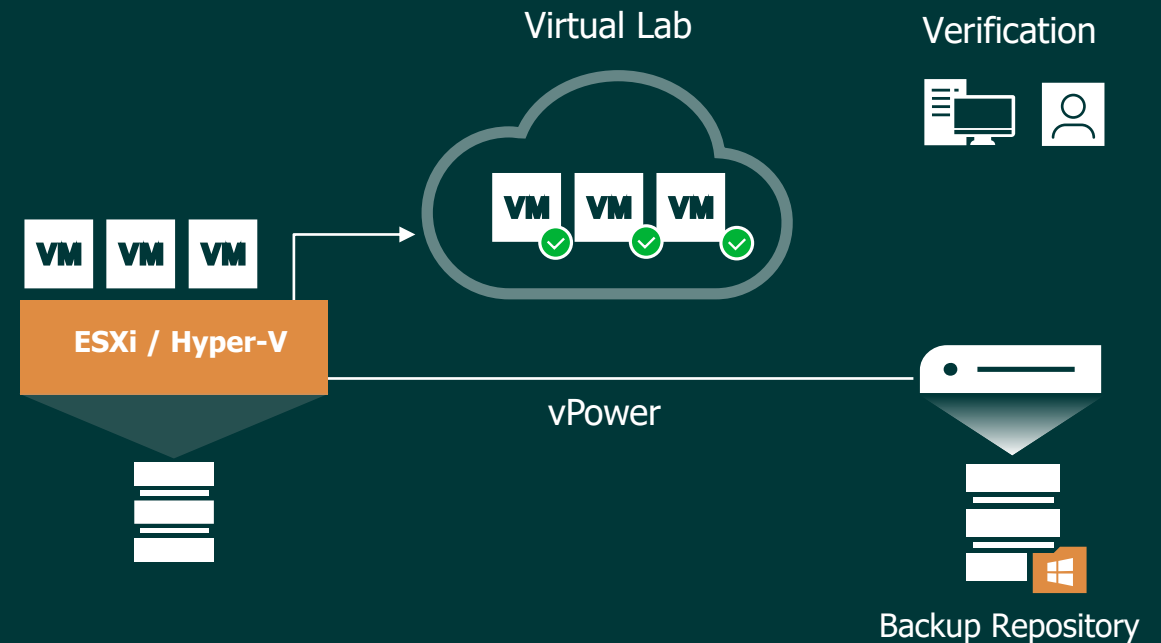


Storage devices

SureBackup

- With SureBackup technology you can automatically verify the recoverability of every backup.

1. Starts VMs in an isolated Datalab environment
2. Performs a set of tests
3. Sends a status report to your mailbox



Complete Ransomware Protection

PRE-BREACH

POST-BREACH

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Possible Ransomware
Activity Alarms

Secure backups

Validated recovery
tests

Secure
Backup

Immutable Backup
Repositories

Protect Veeam backups
with built-in HW services
like SafeMode, Retention
Lock, etc

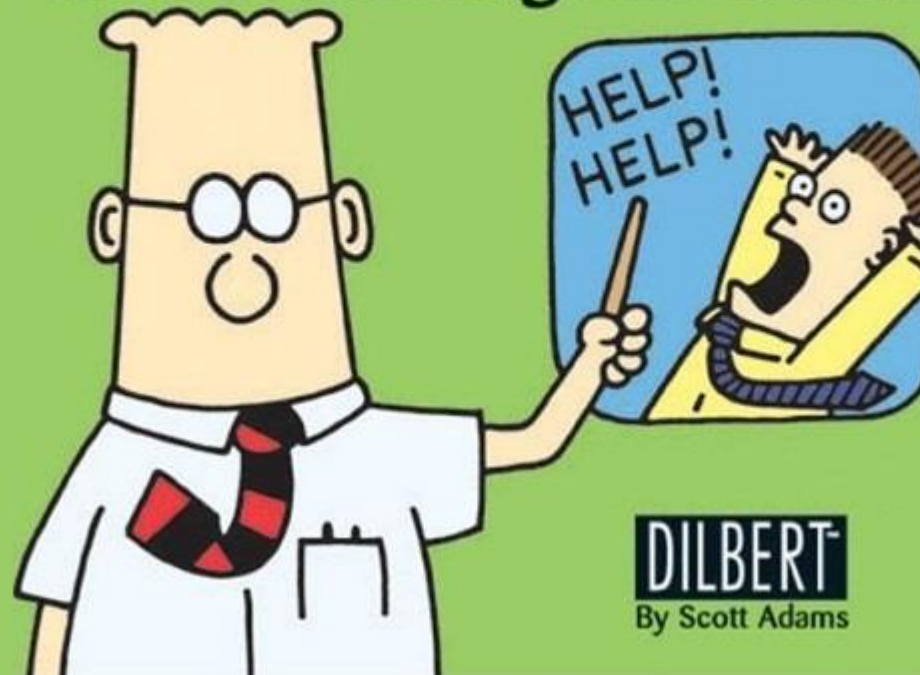
Fast
Restore

Veeam Instant Recovery of
critical workloads

Recover from replicas

Recover from snapshots

Our Disaster Recovery Plan Goes Something Like This...



DILBERT
By Scott Adams

When you just want to check off the box



Thank you!

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