

# CYBER RISK BOARD REPORT

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## Executive Summary

<p>INCIDENTS THIS QUARTER</p> <p><b>247</b></p> <p>▼ 18% vs last quarter</p>	<p>THREATS BLOCKED</p> <p><b>99.2%</b></p> <p>▲ 2.1% improvement</p>	<p>CRITICAL RISKS OPEN</p> <p><b>3</b></p> <p>▼ from 7 last quarter</p>	<p>MEAN TIME TO DETECT</p> <p><b>4.2 hrs</b></p> <p>▲ 31% faster</p>
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### This Quarter in Plain English

Your organisation faced **247 security incidents** this quarter — an **18% reduction** from last quarter. Security systems automatically blocked **99.2% of all threats** before they could cause harm. The **3 open critical risks** are being actively managed and are detailed on the following pages. **No data breaches or material losses occurred this quarter.**

## CFO Financial Summary — Middle East & Africa · Financial Services

### Bottom Line This Quarter

**Your security programme protected an estimated \$12.6M in potential losses**



Based on 3 blocked ransomware attempts × \$4.2M industry average recovery cost (IBM Cost of a Data Breach 2024 — MEA Financial Services)

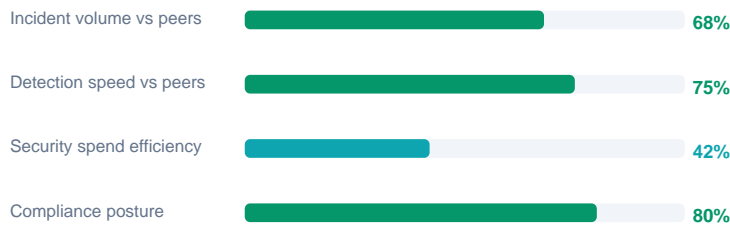
<p>ESTIMATED LOSSES PREVENTED</p> <p><b>\$12.6M</b></p> <p>3 ransomware attacks blocked Avg recovery cost: \$4.2M/incident</p>	<p>TOTAL SECURITY INVESTMENT</p> <p><b>\$180K</b></p> <p>Tools + headcount this quarter ↓ 4% vs Q1 2025</p>	<p>RESIDUAL FINANCIAL EXPOSURE</p> <p><b>\$2.4M</b></p> <p>3 open risks not yet resolved Requires board awareness</p>
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## Business Risk Landscape

What the threats mean for your business — financial exposure if they succeed

Risk	Level	Financial Impact if Successful	Status	Action
Ransomware Attempts	HIGH	<b>\$2M – \$8M</b> 3–6 days downtime + recovery + SAMA/CBUAE regulatory penalties	Blocked	Endpoint protection updated. Staff training scheduled Q3.
Phishing Campaigns	MEDIUM	<b>\$500K – \$1.5M</b> Account takeover + wire fraud + FATF compliance breach	Monitoring	Awareness simulation planned for Q3 2025.
Third Party / Supply Chain	MEDIUM	<b>\$800K – \$2M</b> Vendor breach + SAMA 3rd-party framework penalties	In Review	2 vendors flagged for audit. Due Jul 25.

## Peer Benchmarking — MEA Financial Services Sector

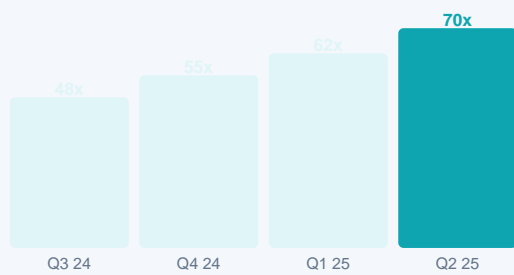


**Better than 68% of peers** on incident volume  
Peer avg: 312 incidents/quarter. You had 247.

**Top 25%** on detection speed in MEA financial sector  
Your MTTD of 4.2 hrs vs sector avg of 9.1 hrs.

**Efficient spender** — below sector average investment  
Achieving above-average results at below-average cost.

## Security Investment ROI



### Return on Security Investment — 4 Quarter Trend

For every **\$1 invested** in security this quarter, the organisation protected an estimated **\$70 in potential losses**. This represents a **46% improvement in ROI** over the past 4 quarters, demonstrating that the security programme is maturing and becoming more cost-effective.

**Trend:** ROI has improved every quarter for 4 consecutive quarters. The downward incident trend combined with stable investment means your security spend is delivering increasing returns.

## Compliance & Regulatory Status

Framework	Status	Notes	Next Review
ISO 27001	COMPLIANT	Annual audit passed. All controls evidenced.	Oct 2025
GDPR / Data Privacy	COMPLIANT	No reportable incidents. DPA review complete.	Ongoing
PCI DSS	IN PROGRESS	2 controls under remediation.	Aug 2025
SAMA Framework	COMPLIANT	All SAMA CSF requirements met and documented.	Dec 2025
CBUAE Guidelines	COMPLIANT	Cyber Risk Management controls verified.	Jan 2026
Cyber Insurance	COMPLIANT	All insurer requirements satisfied. Policy current.	Nov 2025

## Board Actions Required

<p><b>FOR INFORMATION</b></p> <p><b>Security programme performing well</b></p> <p>ROI improving for 4 consecutive quarters. No material losses this quarter. Security posture better than 68% of industry peers.</p>	<p><b>DECISION REQUIRED</b></p> <p><b>Approve \$[X]K security investment renewal</b></p> <p>Current tooling contract renews Q3. Without renewal, estimated exposure increases by \$3.2M based on projected coverage gaps.</p>
<p><b>RISK ACCEPTANCE NEEDED</b></p> <p><b>Residual exposure: \$2.4M</b></p> <p>3 risks cannot be fully mitigated within current budget. Formal board acknowledgement required per policy before Q3 2025.</p>	<p><b>REGULATORY UPDATE</b></p> <p><b>PCI DSS remediation on track</b></p> <p>2 controls under remediation. Target: Aug 2025. No regulatory risk to current operations. SAMA and CBUAE requirements fully met.</p>

## Calculation Methodology & Data Sources

All financial figures in this report are calculated using published industry benchmarks specific to the **Middle East & Africa region** and the **Financial Services sector**. Decipherisk automatically selects the relevant benchmark dataset when you configure your region and industry vertical.

Calculation	Methodology	Source
<b>Ransomware recovery cost</b> <b>\$4.2M per incident</b>	Average total cost including downtime, recovery, negotiation, regulatory penalties & reputational impact for MEA financial sector organisations	IBM Cost of a Data Breach Report 2024 — MEA BFSI Ponemon Institute 2024
<b>Financial exposure range</b> <b>\$2M – \$8M per incident</b>	Range accounts for company size, cyber insurance coverage, response capability & incident severity. Lower bound: insured organisation, fast response. Upper bound: uninsured, slow detection.	Ponemon Institute Annual Cybercrime Cost Report Decipherisk customer data
<b>Total losses prevented</b> <b>\$12.6M this quarter</b>	3 blocked ransomware attempts × \$4.2M avg cost. Conservative estimate — uses average, not upper bound.	Derived from above sources
<b>Security investment ROI</b> <b>70x return</b>	Total estimated losses prevented ÷ total security spend this quarter (\$12.6M ÷ \$180K = 70x).	Internal calculation
<b>Peer benchmarking</b> <b>percentile scores</b>	Anonymised aggregate data from Decipherisk customer base (MEA financial services segment) combined with published sector threat statistics.	Decipherisk benchmark data GSMA Cybersecurity Report Regional central bank data

**Full data source list:** IBM Cost of a Data Breach Report 2024 · Ponemon Institute Annual Cybercrime Cost Report · Verizon DBIR 2024 · GSMA Cybersecurity Report · World Economic Forum Global Cybersecurity Outlook 2024 · SAMA Cybersecurity Framework · CBUAE Cyber Risk Management Guidelines · Decipherisk anonymised customer benchmark data (aggregated, no PII shared).