

The word "RANSOMWARE" is written in large, white, bold, sans-serif capital letters. The letter 'R' is replaced by a white padlock icon. The background is a blue gradient with a pattern of binary code (0s and 1s) and a faint, glowing globe in the center.

# RANSOMWARE

Ransomware

A RISK MANAGEMENT  
STRATEGY

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# Outline

- WHAT IS RANSOMWARE
  - IMPACT ANALYSIS
  - RISK ANALYSIS
  - MITIGATIONS
  - Q&A
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# What is Ransomware?

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# Impact Analysis

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In 2022, **71 percent** of companies worldwide were affected by ransomware.

WORLDWIDE  
IMPACT



**72 percent** of the respondents paid the ransom and recovered the compromised data.

HOW MANY  
PAID THE  
RANSOM



**54 percent** of organizations worldwide who regained access to data after first ransom payment

GAINED ACCESS  
AFTER RANSOM  
PAYMENT



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# What Can You Do?

- Get Clear - Risk Analysis
- Mitigation Strategies



# Risks Analysis: Get Clear

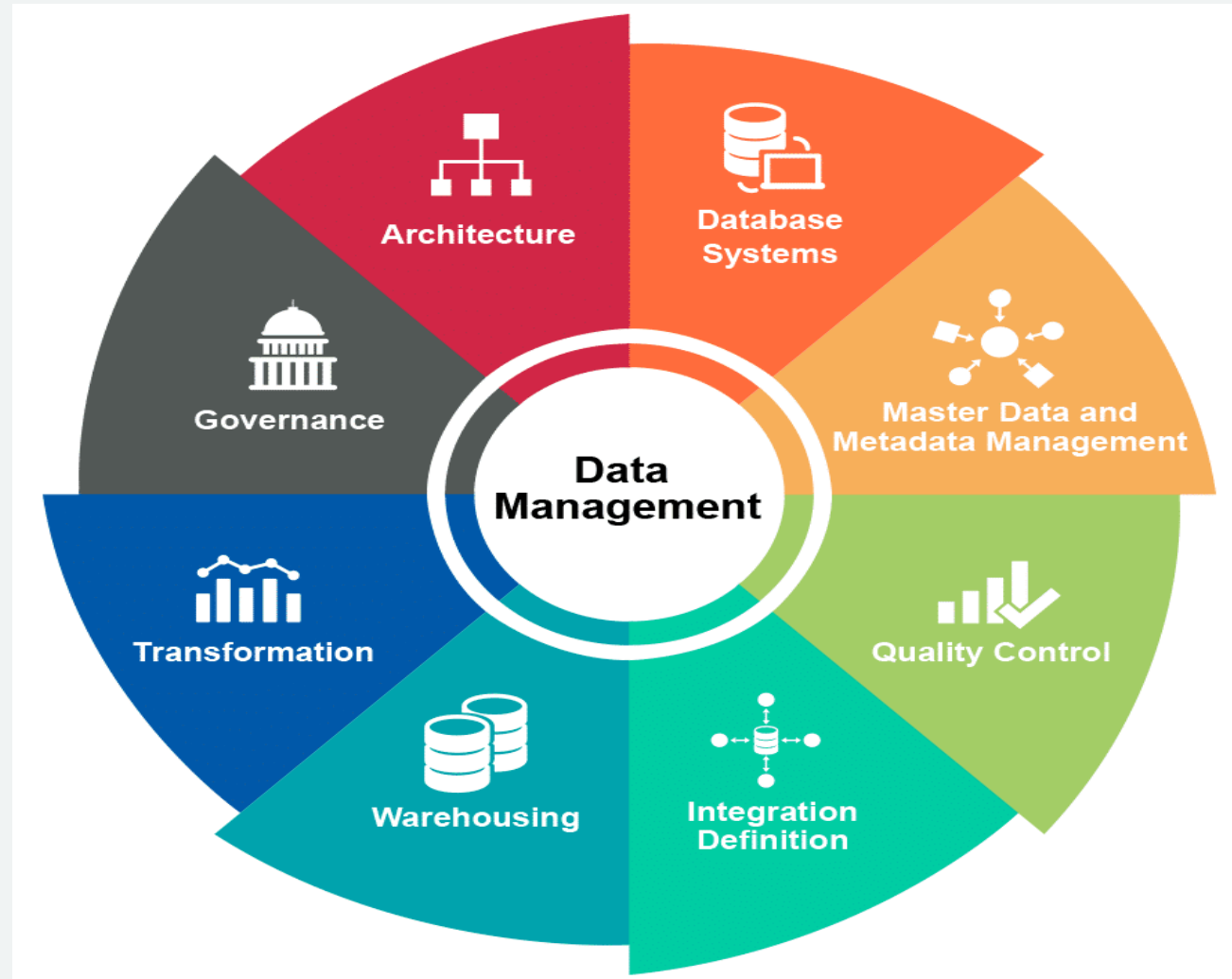
## Risk Assessment - Business & Mission Perspective

- How do you meet client requirements?
- What information is needed to meet these requirements?
- Who should be handling or viewing this information and why?



# Risks Analysis: Data Governance Roadmap

Basis of your data governance roadmap to narrow the focus for adequate protection and recovery.



# Mitigations: What is your Strategy?

- Strategy and a Plan for Ransomware Event
- Strategy Plan should cover
  - Pre - Event
  - During
  - Post - Event
- Goal - Return to normal operations as quickly and cost effectively as possible.





# Mitigations: Data Backup & Recovery

Do you know exactly what you need to back up? Everything is not the right answer

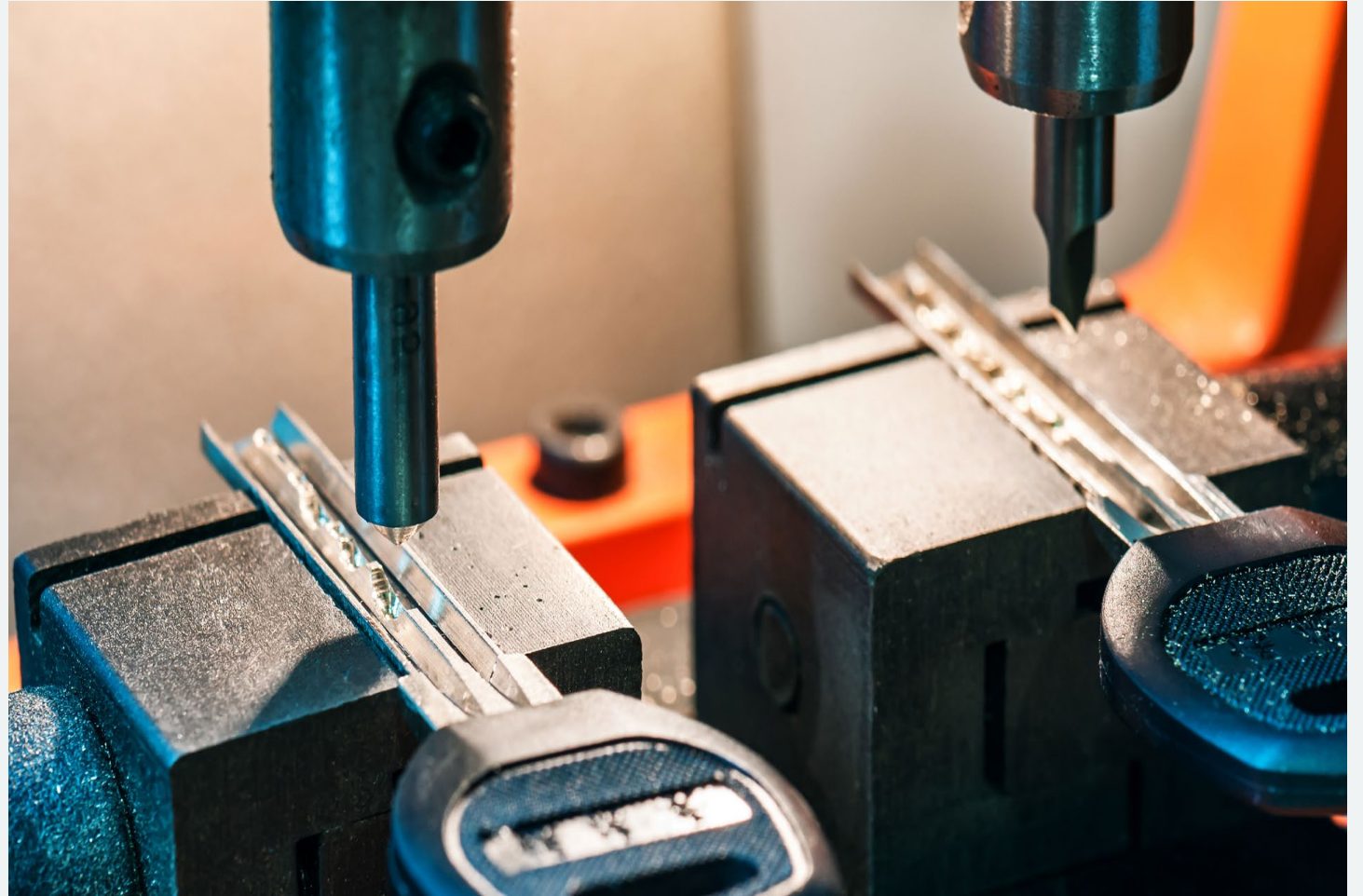
- Cost of storage
- Categorize and prioritize the data-backups
- Testing of backups
- Securing of backups
- Re-deployment of backup data. It becomes useless if you can't get to what you need, when you need it.



# Mitigations: Redundancy

Redundancy of critical systems and processes (Pre)

- Re-routing of critical processes
- Finance/ Accounting
  - \*Bank accounts
- HR/Payroll
- Client/Site data
- Vendor/Supply-Chain





# Mitigations: Agreements/ Services & Accounts

Agreements in  
place:(Pre/During/Post)

- Data breach/privacy call enter support
- Law firms - that specialize in ransomware negotiations
- Forensics support
- Insurance liability coverages
- Crypto-Currency Account established



# Mitigations: Communications

Communications Plan  
(Pre/During/Post)

Call List:

- Law enforcement (FBI, Local Authorities)
- Legal
- IT (Internal/External)
- Data-breach support
- Media Spokesperson
- Name, Numbers, Emails, Alternative contact information





# Mitigations: Table-Top Exercises

## Table-Top Exercises (Pre/Post)

- Engage all stakeholders
- Jointly discover weaknesses in your responses to mitigate
- Insight on how everyone responds under pressure
- Practice makes perfect



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# Mitigations: Tools/Resources

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## Sherwood Applied Business Security Architecture – SABSA

SABSA is a model and methodology for developing a risk-driven enterprise information security architecture and service management, to support critical business processes.

Website: <https://sabsa.org/>

Data  
Governance



## Cyber Risk Portal - CRP

Use AI to obtain and track cyber risks across your organization to include supply chain and third-party supplier networks in minutes. Includes a free local risk assessment.

Website:

<https://www.covenantsec.com/cyber-risk-portal>

Risk  
Assessment



## The CyberFish

This platform helps businesses and government teams prepare to better handle business disruptions, by improving effectiveness and resilience of crisis management teams.

Website:

<https://www.thecyberfish.com/>

Table-Top  
Exercises



# Questions

Judge a man by his  
questions rather  
than his answers.

- Voltaire







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