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Threat Hunting Basics: What You Need To Know

Done right, threat hunting can produce substantial cybersecurity benefits to an organization. This report breaks down the threat hunting basics, including what IT pros need to know about the tools, techniques and people involved in successful threat hunting efforts.

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Cyberthreats are going nowhere but up – and cybercriminals are only becoming more sophisticated, often to the point where their exploits can't be detected by traditional security tools.

proactive companies are upping their game, including utilizing some form of threat hunting – which combines tools and people to monitor network data to find unusual activity or evidence of ongoing attacks – to help even the score. The most recent [report from Cybersecurity Insiders](#) found that 65% of organizations that don't already have a threat hunting program plan to build one over the next three years.

This report on threat hunting basics examines the benefits of this approach, as well as the groundwork, tools, techniques and people needed for threat hunting efforts to be successful. It also looks at the characteristics of a good threat hunter and details the threat hunting maturity model for getting a threat hunting program up and running effectively.

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