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Cybersecurity Insurance Trends and Insights

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Cyber Market Update – H1 2024



Pricing Guidance

- Pricing trends improved in 2023 and market stability has continued in 2024.
 - Q1 2023 +0% to +20%
 - Q2 2023 -0% to +10%
 - Q3 2023 -5% to +5%
 - Q4 2023 -5% to flat
 - Q1 2024 -5% to flat
 - **Q2 2024** -5% to flat (prediction) (clients maintaining mature cyber security posture and clean loss history have better results)
- Multi-layered programs may see further decreases due to lower ILFs.
- Excess rates: 70%-85% of underlying.

Summary

Capacity & Coverage

- Plenty of capacity in the market with some primary markets willing to deploy \$10m+ (depending on class of business and security posture).
- Facility capacity available for large risks
- As the threat of cyber warfare continues to be a topic given the Russia-Ukraine and Israel-Palestine conflicts, the requirements for war exclusion language remains a focus for carriers, particularly due to reinsurance requirements and Lloyd's of London mandates.

Underwriting Process

- Ransomware supplementals are still being required by primary carriers.
- Third party security ratings are commonly part of the underwriting process (BitSight, Security Scorecard, Cyence).
- Underwriting calls preferred for large risks
- Carrier cybersecurity risk engineers commonly are joining underwriting calls
- Additional underwriting questions on biometric data collection, AI usage and meta-pixel tracking technology exposure.

Market stabilization continued in early 2024, even in the face of an ever-expanding threat landscape, including an uptick in ransomware frequency, class action litigation and data exfiltration activity. Systemic events (ie MOVEiT & Change Healthcare) continue to be a concern for carriers given their cat-loss potential. This stabilization is largely due to intense competition between cyber markets looking to retain their renewals and meet aggressive growth goals.

Pre-Incident Considerations



- Purchasing Cyber Insurance
- Tabletop Exercises
- Establish a Incident Response Plan
 - Identify a chain of command; ensure contact information is available for all key employees
 - Reporting the event to cyber insurance carrier should be included in the plan. Most have 24/7 hotlines you can include.
- Establish a relationship with privacy counsel and a computer forensics firm prior to a breach
- Other vendors and considerations

Considerations During an Incident

- Implementing the IRP
- Notice requirements / insured obligations
- Work closely with claims advocate and outside service providers

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- Areas of Insurance Coverage for Consideration
- Approval for Ransomware Payments

Considerations After an Incident



- Labelling Invoices
- Implementing Safeguards
- Reviewing Incident Response Plan
- Impact on Renewing Cyber Insurance

Common Areas of Dispute / Frustration

Timeline longer and insurer support requests greater than clients often initially expect



Business interruption

- Connecting lost revenue specifically to impacted systems and event
- Period of restoration considerations
- Makeup

Business interruption Internal labor costs

- Hourly vs. salaried labor
- Incremental vs. normal hours
- One-time bonuses
- Idle labor

Upgrades, enhancements, and improvements

- Segregating costs related to repair/ restoration vs. improvement/ enhancement
- Replacement of damaged computers
- Software purchases



Vendor costs

 Frustration from clients when non-panel vendor recovery costs denied/ questioned by carriers

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 Burdensome documentation requirements for work performed

Exclusions



- · Cyber Insurance Applications
 - Travelers Property Casualty Company of America v. International Control
 Services Inc.
 - · Columbia Casualty Co. v. Cottage Health System
- War Exclusions
 - · Merck & Co. Inc. et al v. Ace American Insurance Co. et al
 - · Mondelez international, Inc. v. Zurich American Insurance Company

Questions?





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