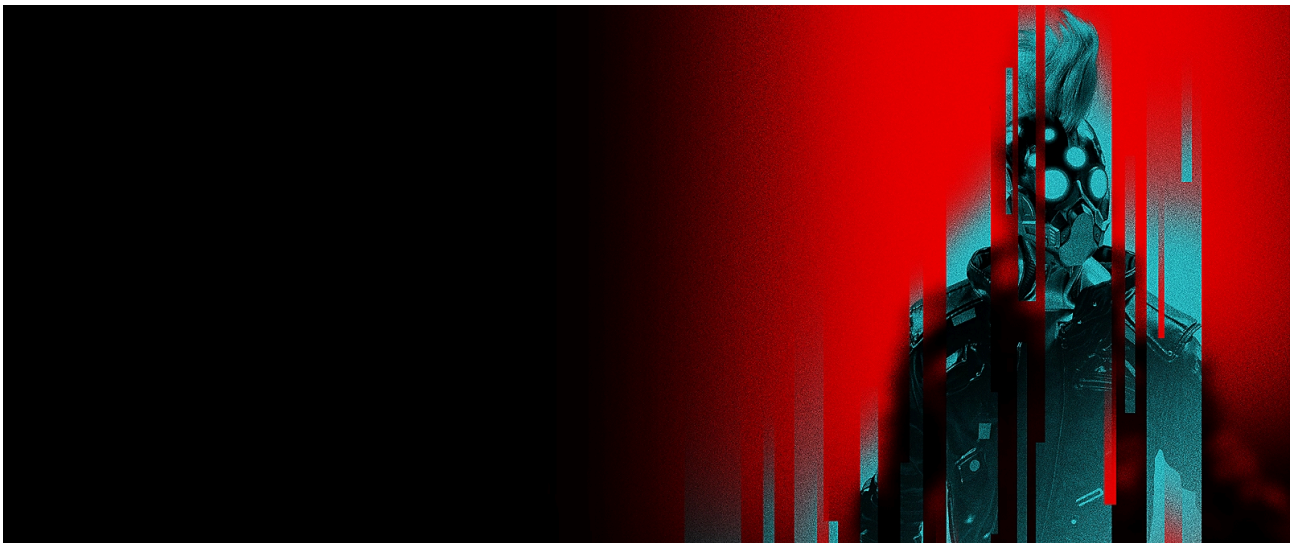


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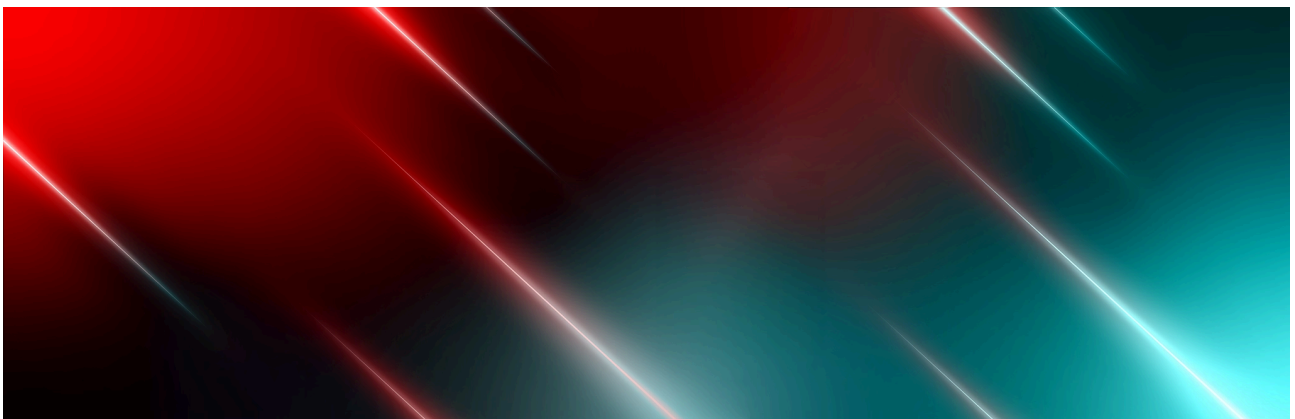
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- 27 sec:** the fastest recorded eCrime breakout time
- 89%** increase in attacks by AI-enabled adversaries
- 82%** of detections in 2025 were malware-free





AI threats have reached a critical turning point

Increase in attacks by AI-enabled adversaries

AI is now a dual threat: It acts as a force multiplier for cyberattacks while introducing a new attack surface.

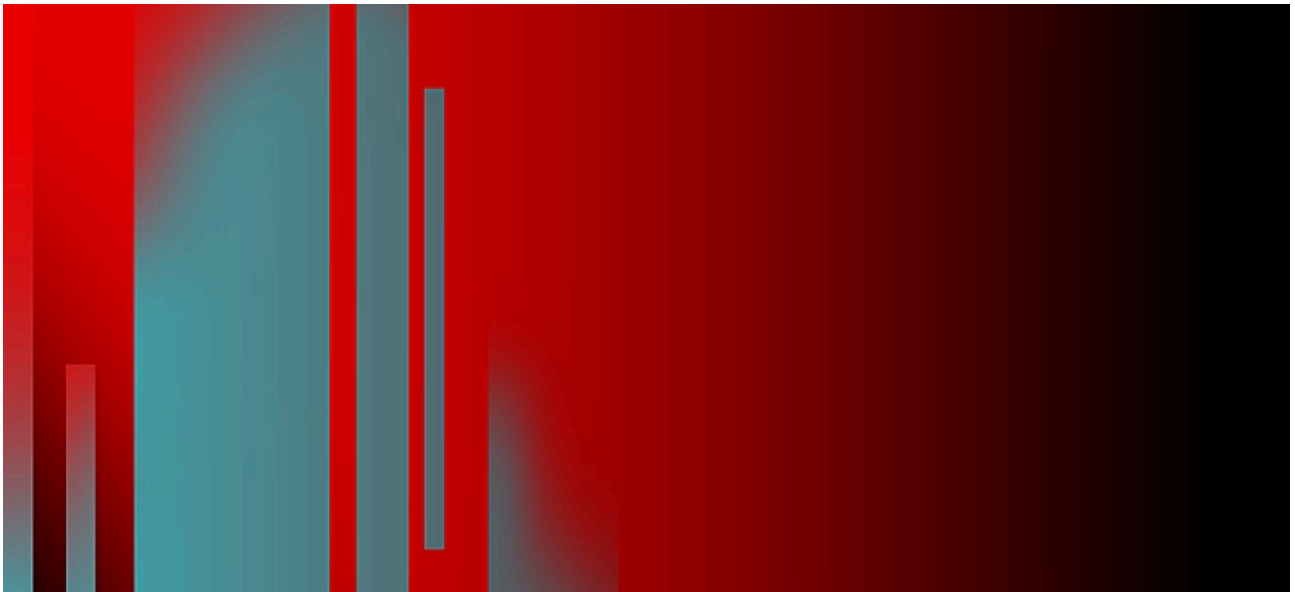
90+ organizations had legitimate AI tools exploited to generate malicious commands and steal sensitive data.

ChatGPT was mentioned in criminal forums **550%** more than any other model.

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As adversaries move faster than ever, the window for detection and response continues to shrink, demanding real-time visibility and automated response capabilities.







27 sec

Fastest eCrime breakout time on record



65%

Increase in average breakout speed year over year

Edge device and cross-domain attacks escalate

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By exploiting visibility gaps, adversaries move fluidly across identity, cloud, and virtual environments while avoiding heavily monitored endpoints to evade detection.









40%

Of vulnerabilities exploited by China-nexus adversaries targeted edge devices



266%

Increase in cloud-conscious intrusions by state-nexus threat actors

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FAQs

The CrowdStrike Counter Adversary Operations team performs research that identifies new adversaries, monitors their activities, and captures emerging cyber threat developments. This intelligence is used to conduct proactive threat hunting across the customer base to enable the detection of new and evolving adversary tradecraft.

Source: Based on the CrowdStrike's Counter Adversary Operations team's proprietary threat intelligence gathered in 2025.

Source: <https://www.crowdstrike.com/resources/reports/2019-crowdstrike-global-threat-report>