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## IANS Research - The 7 Factors of CISO Impact



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"It is the mark of an educated mind to be able to entertain a thought without accepting it."

Aristotle

















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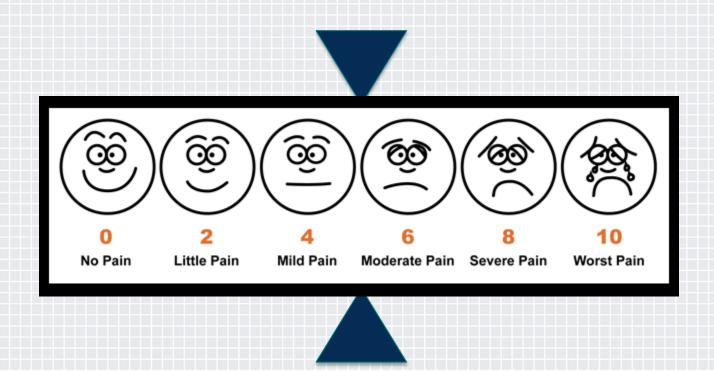
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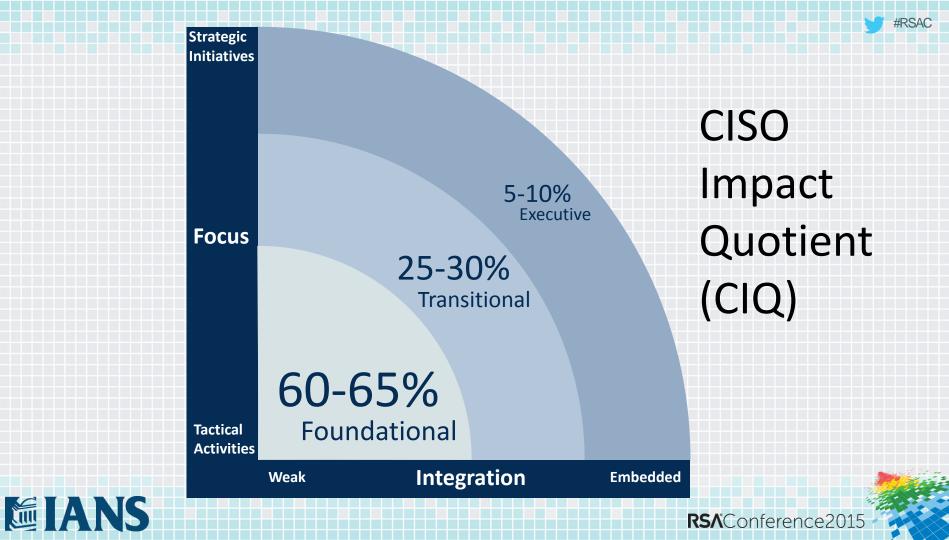


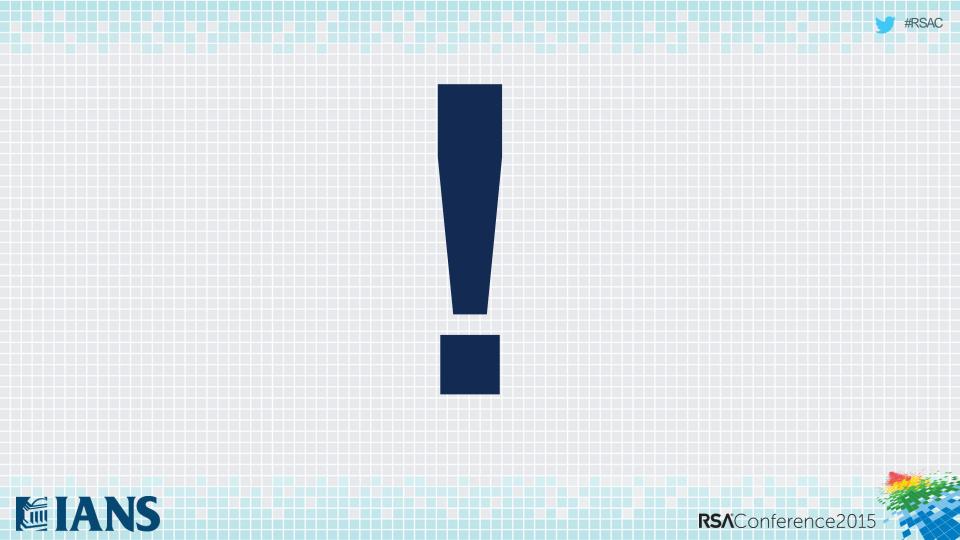






























# {CISO Impact}









# 書PRONSE





... safeguard information assets across space and time

... don't control most of the resources

... master proactive engagement with the business



#### **Progress Starts with Assessment**

Information Security
Organizational Engagement

CISO Impact

Technical Infrastructure
Information Security
Control Strength

**Assessment Standards:** 

- ISO 27001
- NIST
- COBIT 5
- ...







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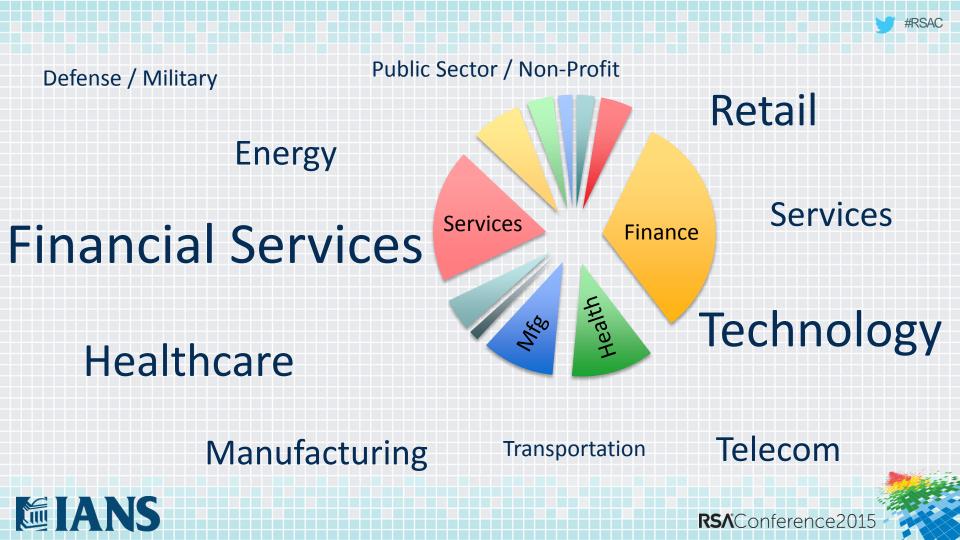


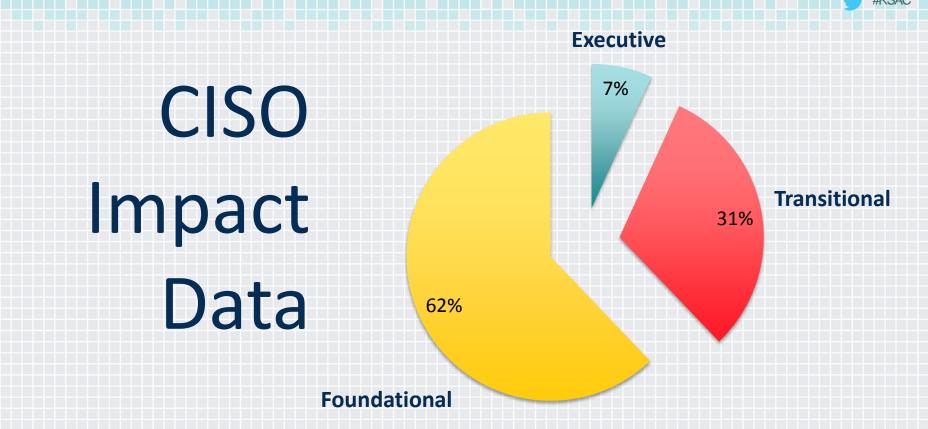
CISO Impact Diagnostic







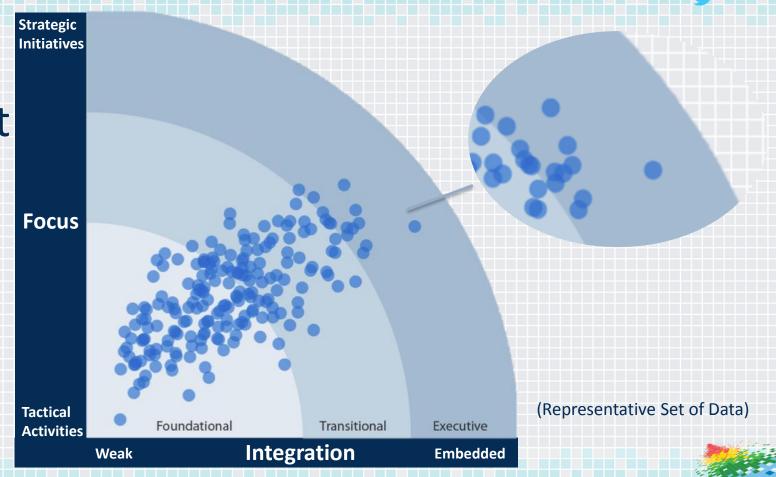








CISO
Impact
Quotient
(CIQ)





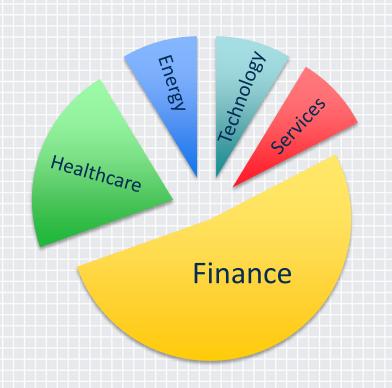
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#### Breaking down the

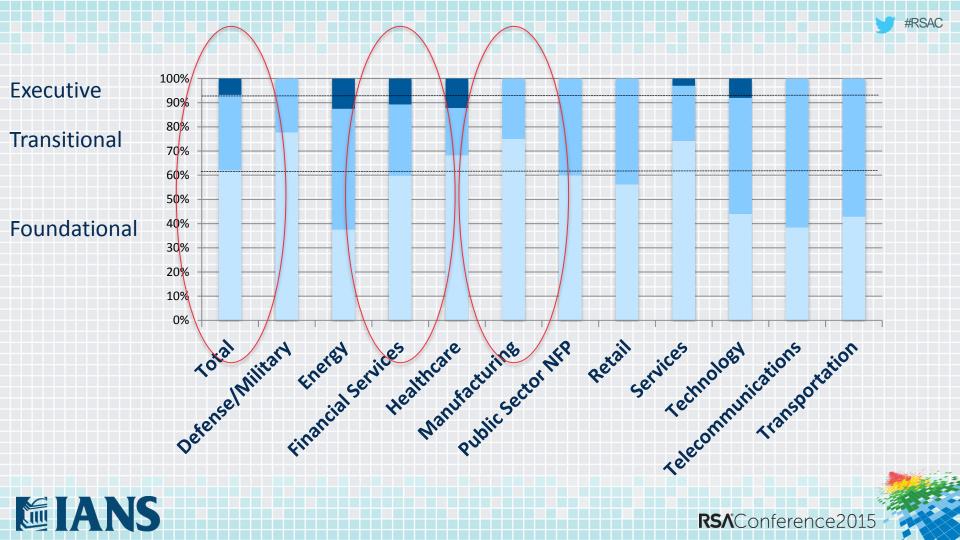
of CISO Impact diagnostics that scored

### Executive











32% of respondents are in Financial Services...

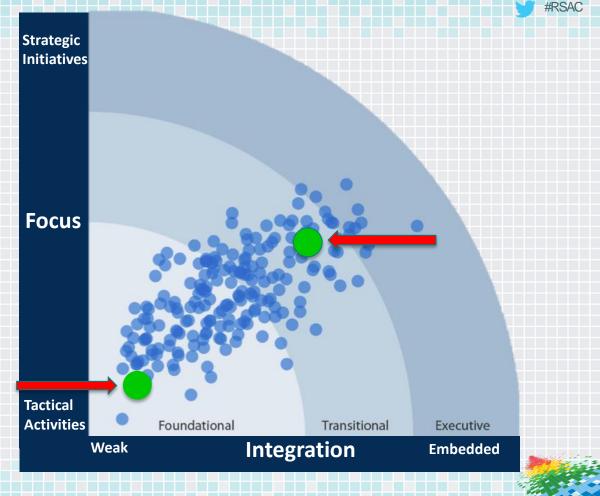
...yet Financial Services comprises

52% of Executive CIQ





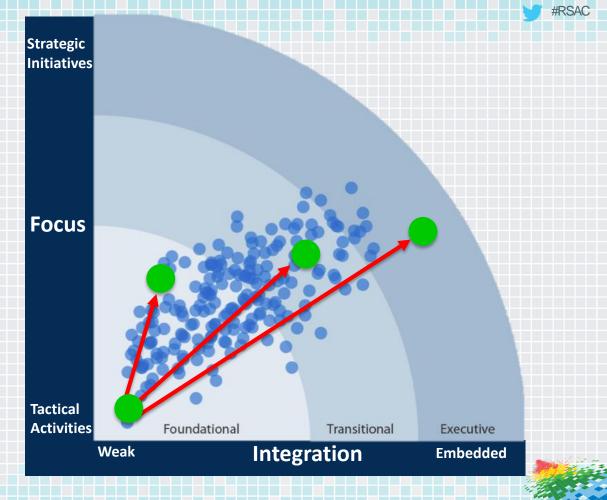
What's Your **CISO Impact** Quotient (CIQ)?





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What's Your CIQ Goal?





#### Factor 1: Gain Command of the Facts

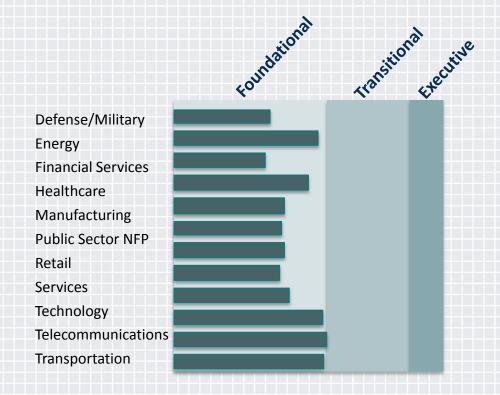
- ✓ Acquire the data on information assets to support a company-specific risk profile
- ✓ Build a consensus with the business on what matters and on the impact of compromise
- ✓ Develop a robust planning tool including company and industry data to provide an outlook







Who has Command of the Facts?







#### Factor 2: Get Business Leaders to Own Risk



- Educate / advocate for the mindshift that business owns InfoSec risk
- ✓ Build key alliances with the business to gain a foothold
- ✓ Run exercises, games, and simulations to make it personal
- ✓ Develop strong stewardship policies and follow-through tools





#### ...walking the tightrope

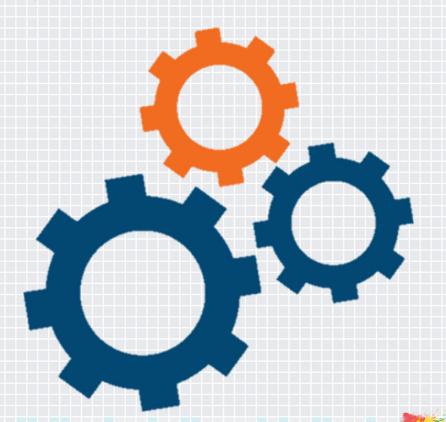






#### Factor 3: Embed into Key Processes

- Embed safe coding practices into software development processes
- ✓ Wire criteria into vendor due diligence
- ✓ Build consultations into new business initiatives
- ✓ Work your way to the front-end of mergers and acquisitions







# Technology Manufacturing Defense







#### Factor 4: Run Infosec Like a Business



- ✓ Develop financial discipline to tie budgets to business impact
- Culture sophisticated resource management skills
- Build strong project
   management capabilities within
   InfoSec













### Factor 5: Technical and Business-Capable Team

- Change the game with competency models that balance technical, business, and interpersonal skills
- ✓ Apply models & lay out career paths to retain those who can represent the CISO
- ✓ Invest in leadership and management development for the CISO and directs







Creative

Strong Communicator & Listener

Conflict resolution

Humor



Positive

Story teller

Collaboration

Able to execute





#### Factor 6: Communicate the value



- ✓ Build a value proposition for how InfoSec helps the company grow and win
- Proactively and consistently communicate that value
- ✓ Engage with stakeholders to learn how to express the value in terms with meaning to them









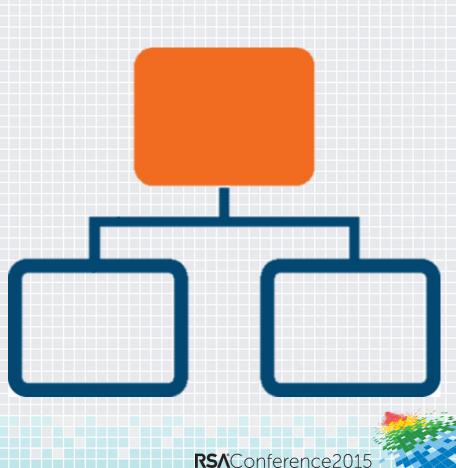




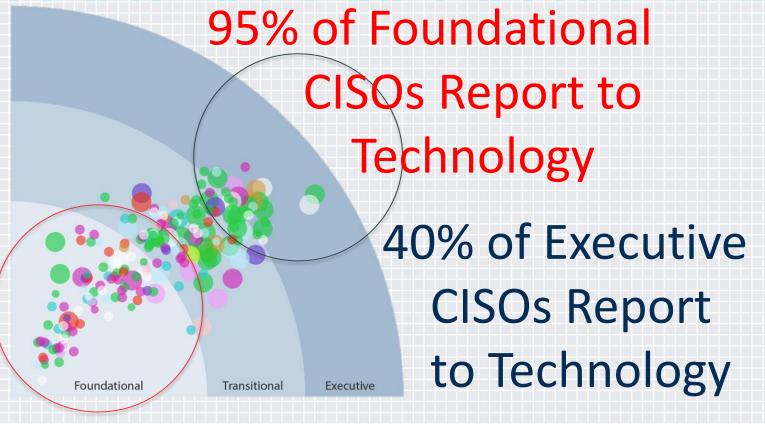
### Factor 7: Organize for Success

- ✓ How stretched thin is InfoSec between day to day ops and strategy / policy / architecture?
- ✓ CISO and BISO reporting? Technology?
- ✓ Dotted line reporting outside tech?
- Mechanisms that put CISO and team in direct contact with leaders?















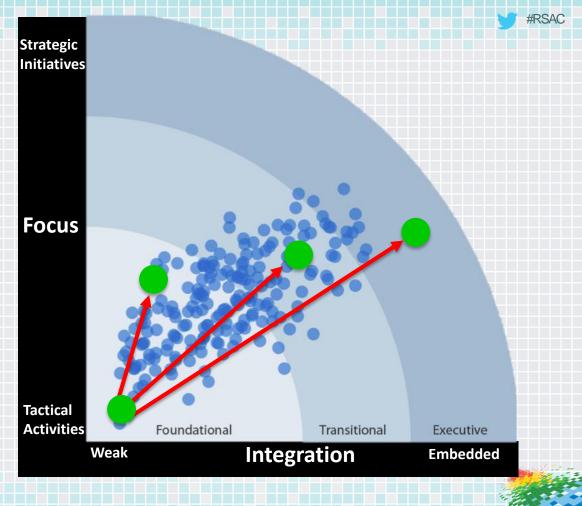








What's Your CIQ Goal (now)?





# Take the CISO Impact Diagnostic

#### Embark on your CISO Impact Journey

- 25 questions / 20 minutes
- Get instant feedback on how you measure up in your industry
- Register to get an in-depth report

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**Questions?** 

