

# Equifax 2021 Security Annual Report

## Executive Summary

Despite 2021 being the most disruptive year on record for global cybersecurity, Equifax expanded its security program even further – from automation that accelerates new product innovation to more robust digital supply chain security that protects our entire organization. We are committed to being a leader in security and to continuously raising the bar in order to out-smart, out-work, and out-innovate cyber criminals.

**35M+** Cyber threats defended against on average each day

**370,000+** Simulations to test our global workforce in security

**1000+** Deep-dive risk analyses conducted on digital supply chain partners

**600+** Cybersecurity professionals protecting consumer data

**50+** Forums participated in to tackle global cyber challenges

**20+** Certifications and authorizations obtained from outside auditors

## Our Actions

### Expanded our Cloud Security

We enhanced our top-tier cloud security to include automated validation and monitoring. In 2021, we implemented more than 160 automated cloud security checks that are now monitored in real time.

### Fortified our Digital Supply Chain Security

We secured our digital supply chain with greater detail, speed, and innovation. In 2021, we conducted assessments on 100% of our company's vendors as well as deep-dive risk analyses on more than 1000 of our most critical digital supply chain partners.

### Enhanced our Employee Training

We further customized our employee security training program and fully automated the delivery of behavior-based learning to meet the needs of our global business. In 2021, our employee security awareness score reached a new record of 98 out of 100.

### Strengthened our Global Risk Posture

We expanded our collection of specific security metrics to strengthen our global risk posture. In 2021, we achieved improved rates of 88% agent coverage, 88% logging coverage, 98% asset inventory completeness, 71% of applications enrolled in automatic code scanning, and 98% certificate lifecycle management, across our non-U.S. geographies.

### Advanced Cybersecurity Transparency

We continued to engage with stakeholders around the world to advocate for stronger cybersecurity. In 2021, we participated in more than 50 forums to advance ideas and solutions to global cybersecurity challenges.

### Enabled Business Growth

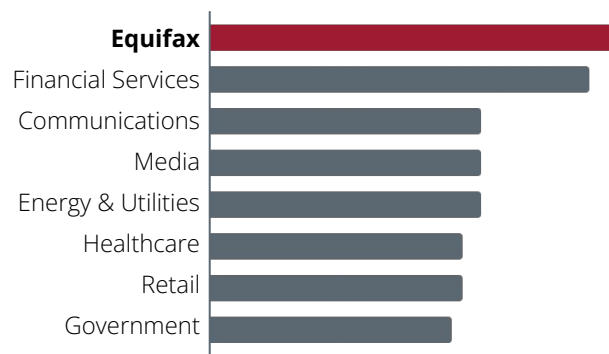
We helped our business drive more innovation, more securely. In 2021, we helped securely bring to market more than 150 new products for Equifax customers, launched a state-of-the-art FedRAMP security environment to support U.S. government customers in the cloud, and drove new business in areas like identity & fraud.

## Independent Benchmarking

### Security Maturity Score

An organization's security maturity represents how well it can adapt to cyber threats and manage risk over time.

At year-end 2021, the maturity of our cybersecurity program outperformed all major industry benchmarks for a second consecutive year.



### Security Posture Rating

An organization's security posture is its readiness and ability to identify, respond to, and recover from security threats and risks.

At year-end 2021, our security capabilities ranked in the top 1% of Technology and Financial Services companies analyzed.

