





The Intersection of Privacy and Security:

How you can use Existing Security Tools to Build an Adaptive Privacy Program



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Disclaimers

- My views
- For educational purposes
- Not legal advice
- Privacy is BIG, this presentation is small (i.e. high level)
- My answer to your question is "It depends"



3 Questions I'd Ask at This Point:

- Should I stay for this?
- Privacy isn't my job, why should I even care?
- What time is the break?

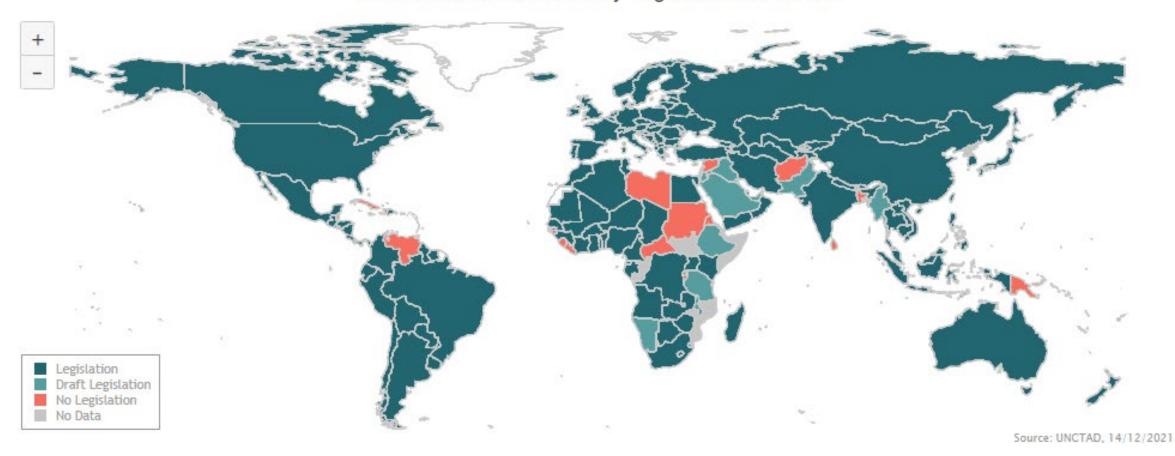


Takeaways

- Privacy and cybersecurity are the same
- Security is the foundation of a good privacy program
- Combined risk leads to adaptability

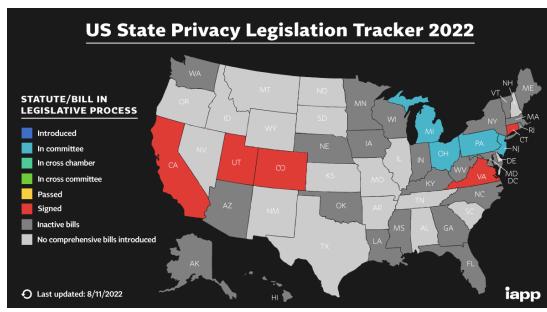
Global Privacy Footprint

Data Protection and Privacy Legislation Worldwide





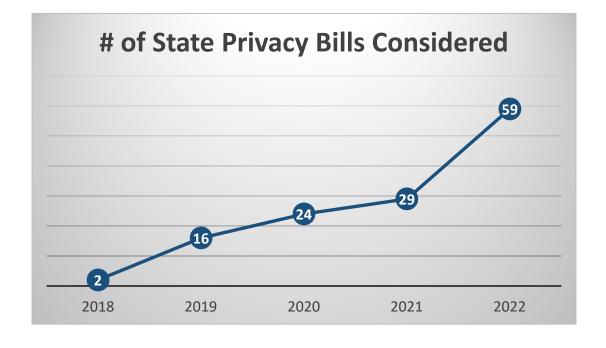
US Privacy Footprint



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- All 50 States have data breach notification law
- 5 have comprehensive privacy laws

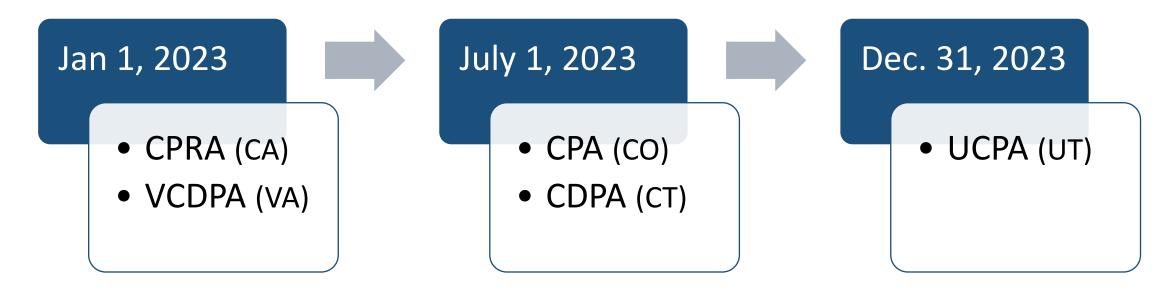
 Significant increase in legislative activity 2018 to 2022





New Comprehensive US Privacy Laws

Effective Dates for Comprehensive Privacy Legislation





Individual Privacy Rights

	Right to Access	Right to Correct	Right to Delete	Right to Portability	Right to Opt out of all or specific processing	Right to Opt in for sensitive processing	Age based opt in right	Right not to be subject to automated decision making
GDPR								
CCPA (CA)								
CPRA (CA)								
CPA (CO)								
CDPA (CT)								
VCDPA (VA)								
UCPA (UT)								



Security Related Business Obligations

	"Reasonable Security"	Privacy Risk/ Impact Assessments
GDPR		
CCPA (CA)		
CPRA (CA)		
CPA (CO)		
CDPA (CT)		
VCDPA (VA)		
UCPA (UT)		

US Privacy Regulators- Sample

Federal



State





Enforcement Actions Examples

	BLU Products 2018	LabMD 2016	Shein/ Zoetop 2022	Sephora 2022
Enforcement Body	FTC	FTC	NY Attorney General	СРРА
Violation	Deceptive Practices -Misrepresented extent of info shared and security practices	Unfair Practices -failing to take appropriate measures to prevent unauthorized disclosure of sensitive information	Deceptive Practices - Failing to have reasonable security; failure to disclose	CCPA Violation -improper "sale" of information
Remedy	Cease inappropriate practices and implement comprehensive security program	Initially, comprehensive security plan, but overruled by 11th Cir. Ct App. Separate settlement followed.	Comprehensive security plan. Prescriptive measures, i.e. risk assess, annual reviews, more.	Clarify notice, enhance opt- out (GPC), conform to CCPA, report to AG



Prescriptive Requirements Example

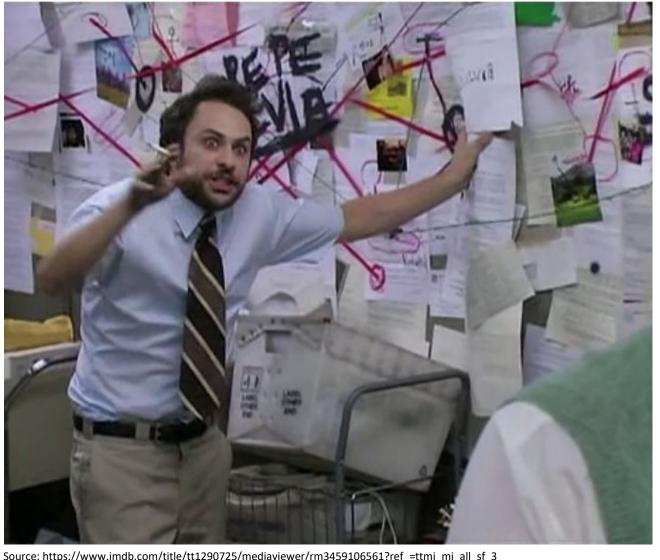
FTC Requirements in Ashley Madison case (2016):

- Written Security Plan
- Training
- 3rd Party Security
- Monitoring
- Unsuccessful Login Tracking
- Remote Access Controls
- Encryption Key Storage
- Secure Passwords
- Password Retention



How can you use existing security tools to build an adaptive privacy program?

- Alignment of stakeholders
- 2. Combined Privacy and Security Risk Assessment
- Repeatable process for continuous monitoring



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1. Align Key Stakeholders

Communication

Legal

- Strong organizational influence
- ID applicable laws
- Interpret key terms

Security

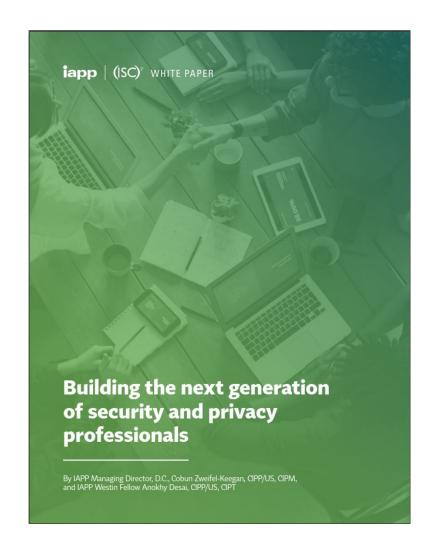
- Strong knowledge of security risk and assessment
- Also knows baseline controls for protection

Privacy

- Develops business practices for managing covered data
- Lead for incident response and data inquiries

Discovering Convergence

"While they require different knowledge bases, privacy and security go hand in hand. Effective data privacy is impossible without robust security measures."

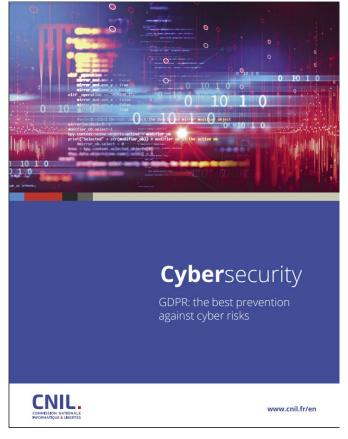


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Global Trend

 The multidisciplinary approach is a necessity; there can be no data protection without security"



https://www.cnil.fr/sites/default/files/atoms/files/cybersecurity-2021 gdpr-the-best-prevention-against-cyber-risks.pdf

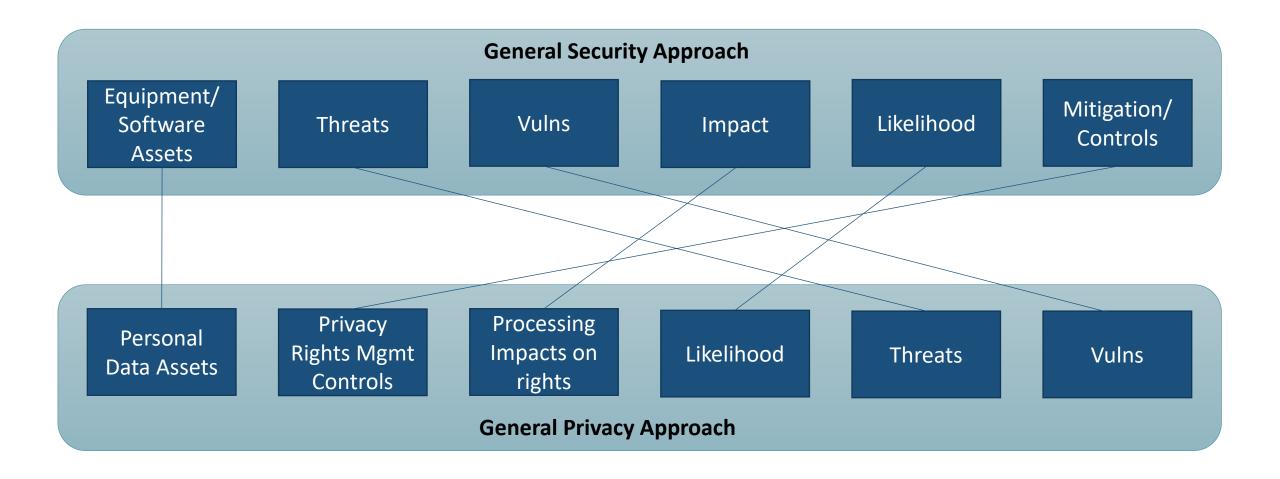


Example: Privacy/Security In Practice

Business Process Update and J/K Delete Data Access Communicate Request Data Security Authentication Authentication Authentication Secure Request to Delete and delivery of correct verify data

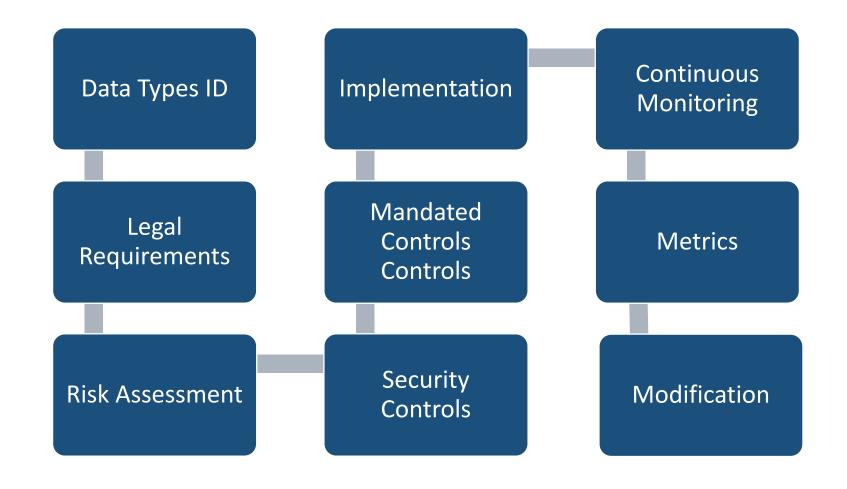


2. Combine Security and Privacy Risk





Combined Model Components





Combined Risk Model

	Asset	Threat	Vulnerability	Impact	Likelihood	Mitigation
SCOPE	 Data focused Inventory Map data flow ID Business process/process/processing activities 	 Threats to data Threats to data subject rights 	 Weakness in data flow or business process Threat event or scenario development 	 Business Impacts Consumer or Individual Impacts 	• Probability	TreatmentControls IDPOA&M
FUNCTION	LegalPrivacySecurity	PrivacySecurity	PrivacySecurity	LegalPrivacySecurity	PrivacySecurity	LegalPrivacySecurity

Cyclical Process Flow



3. Repeatable Process

- Be able to repeat assessment upon significant change
- Change in technology, business process, law, etc.
- Cross reference risk register





Adapting to Change





Importance of Ethics

- 1970's Ford Pinto Example:
 - Ford knew risk of exploding gas tank
 - Cost to fix: \$137.5 Mil
 - Cost if do nothing: \$\$49.5 Mil
 - Ford did nothing
 - Grimshaw v. Ford Motor Company, 1981
- Privacy relevance
 - Don't use risk analysis to justify bad business decisions



Source: https://www.tortmuseum.org/ford-pinto/#images-2

Emerging: Secret Life of PETs

- Privacy Enhancing Technologies (examples)
 - Homomorphic Encryption
 - Secure multi-party computation (SMPC)
 - Differential Privacy
 - Zero-knowledge proofs (ZKP)
 - Obfuscation
 - Psudonymization
 - Communication anonymizers
 - Synthetic data generation
 - Federated learning



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