# THE DEMOCRATIZATION **OF ANARCHY IN** PAYMENTS



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Considering how technology has aided the scaling of payment fraud attacks, and how technology can be leveraged to scale security against these attempts.



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### **ABOUT THE SPEAKERS** GET TO KNOW TODAY'S SUBJECT MATTER EXPERTS



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Chris Wyatt is a healthcare fintech and revenue cycle innovator. Chris has worked for Change Healthcare, Anthem, and United HealthCare, helping improve the financial health of payers, providers, and patients.

In his tenure at Change Healthcare, Chris oversaw the disbursement of \$300B in payer payments, helped health systems and providers collect over \$25B from patients, and made \$400M (interest-free) available to patients needing help to pay their medical bills.

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Craig Jeffery formed Strategic Treasurer in 2004 to provide corporate, educational and government entities direct access to comprehensive and current assistance with their treasury and financial process needs.

His 30+ years of financial and treasury experience as a practitioner and as a consultant have uniquely qualified him to help organizations craft realistic goals and achieve significant benefits quickly.

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# TOPICS OF DISCUSSION

KEY AREAS OF FOCUS & ANALYSIS



FRAUD IS COMMON AND LUCRATIVE



IMPLICATIONS OF TECH ADVANCEMENT

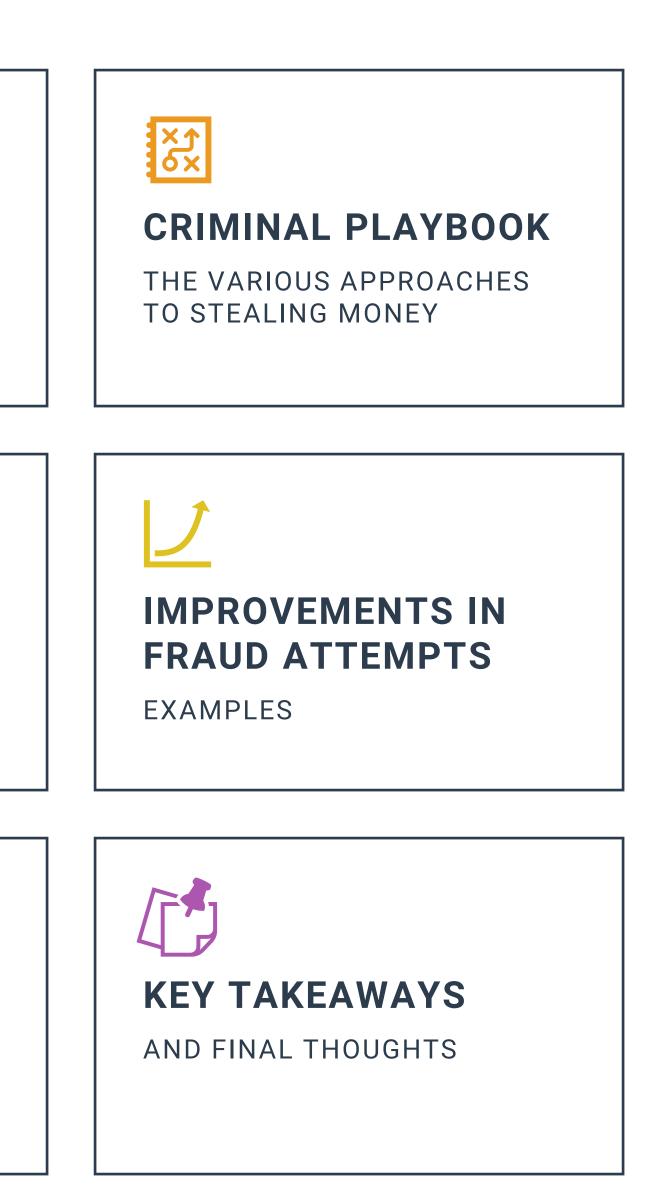
**ON FRAUD** 



#### **POINTS TO CONSIDER**

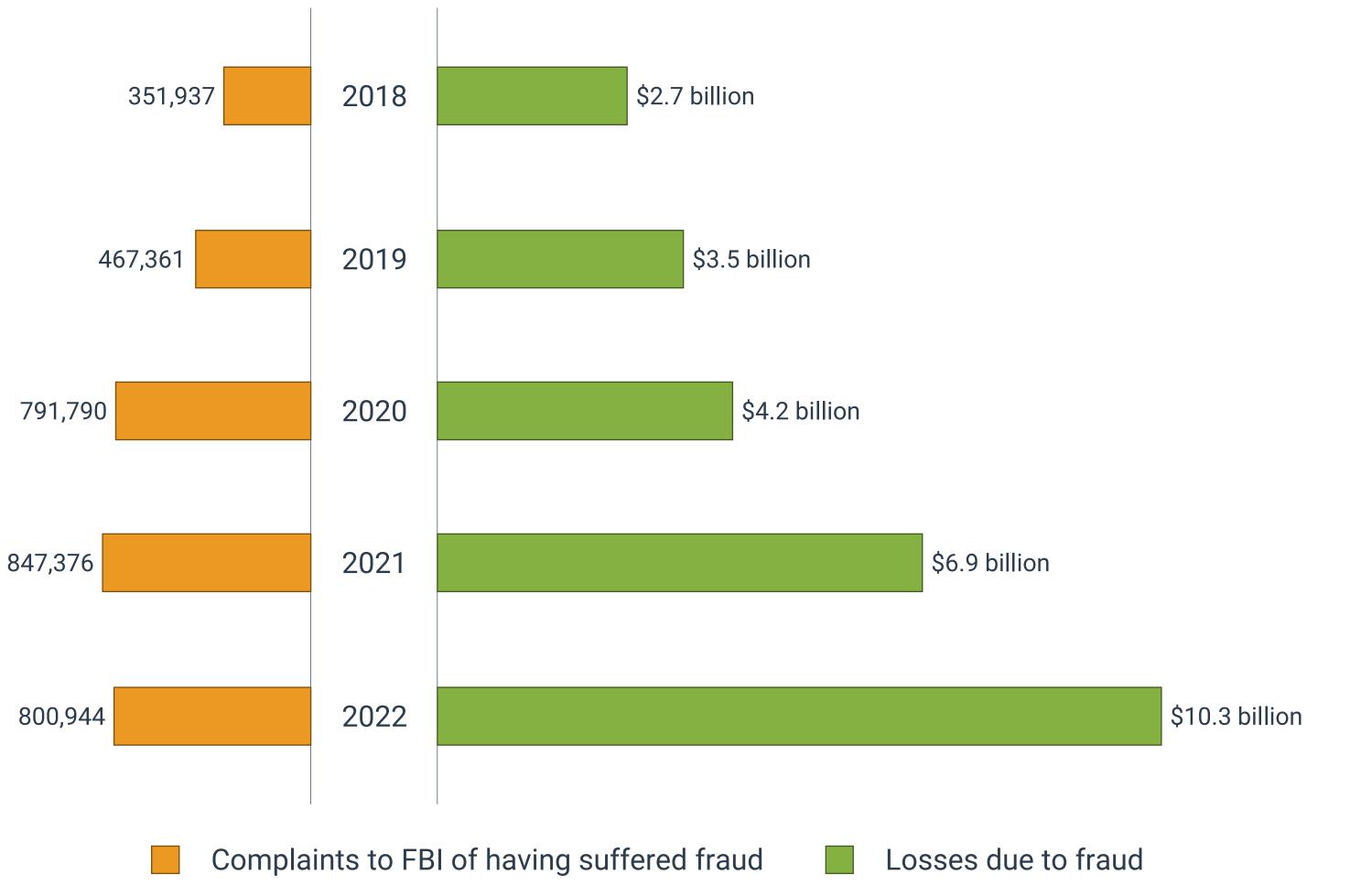
HOW TO RESPOND TO INCREASED FRAUD

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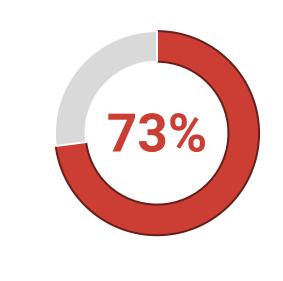
## Finexio FRAUD LOSSES CONTINUE TO INCREASE DESPITE FLATTENING OF NUMBER OF COMPLAINTS





# **THE THREAT**WIDESPREAD AMONG BUSINESSES

> In the past twelve months, we have experienced \_\_\_\_\_



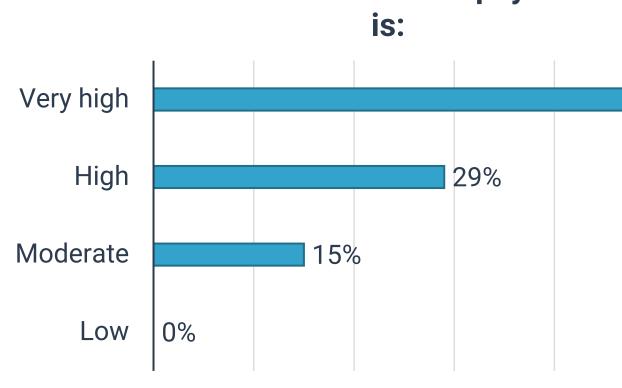
73% of corporates experienced or suspected fraud

Source: 2023 Treasury Fraud & Controls Survey

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# **POLL QUESTION**

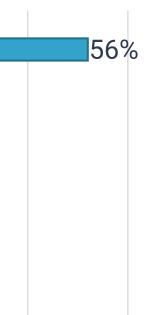


# Poll 1 - Our concern about payment fraud



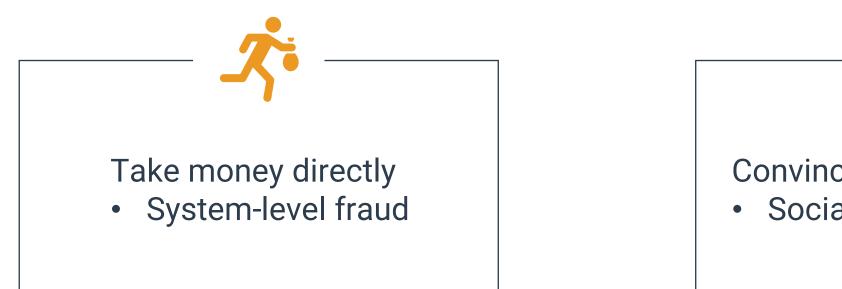
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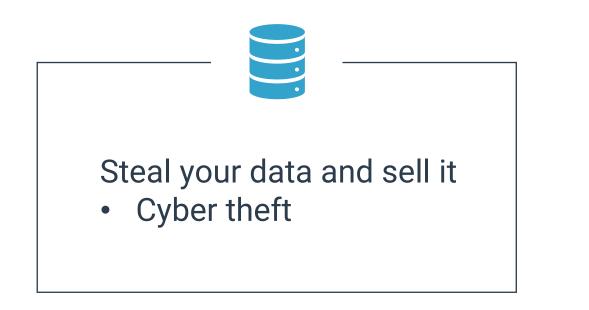






### THE CRIMINAL PLAYBOOK FOUR KEY AREAS OF FRAUD





Lock up your data for ransom Ransomware 

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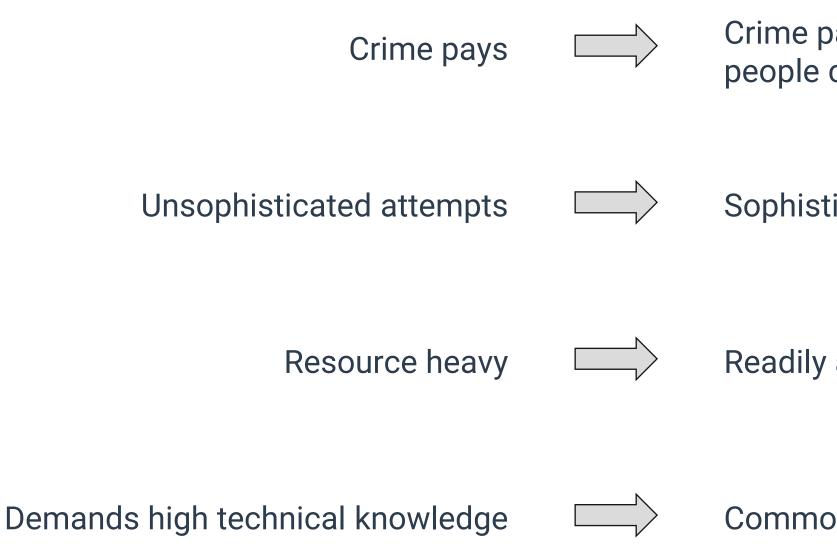
Convince you to send money • Social engineering





### TECH ADVANCEMENTS WIDER IMPLICATIONS FOR FRAUD

Advancements in technology democratize not only the good, but also the bad



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Crime pays very well, and more people can get paid by it

Sophisticated attempts

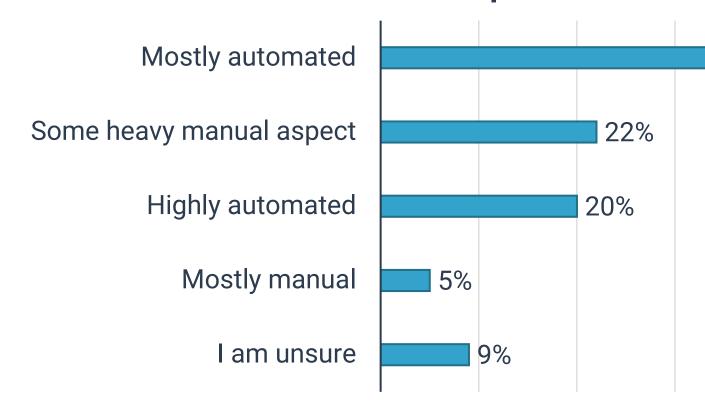
Readily available tools

Common person can engage



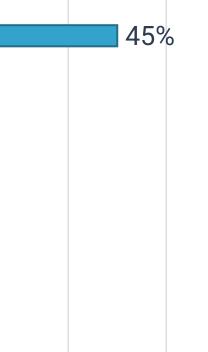
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**Poll 3 - Our AP process is:** 



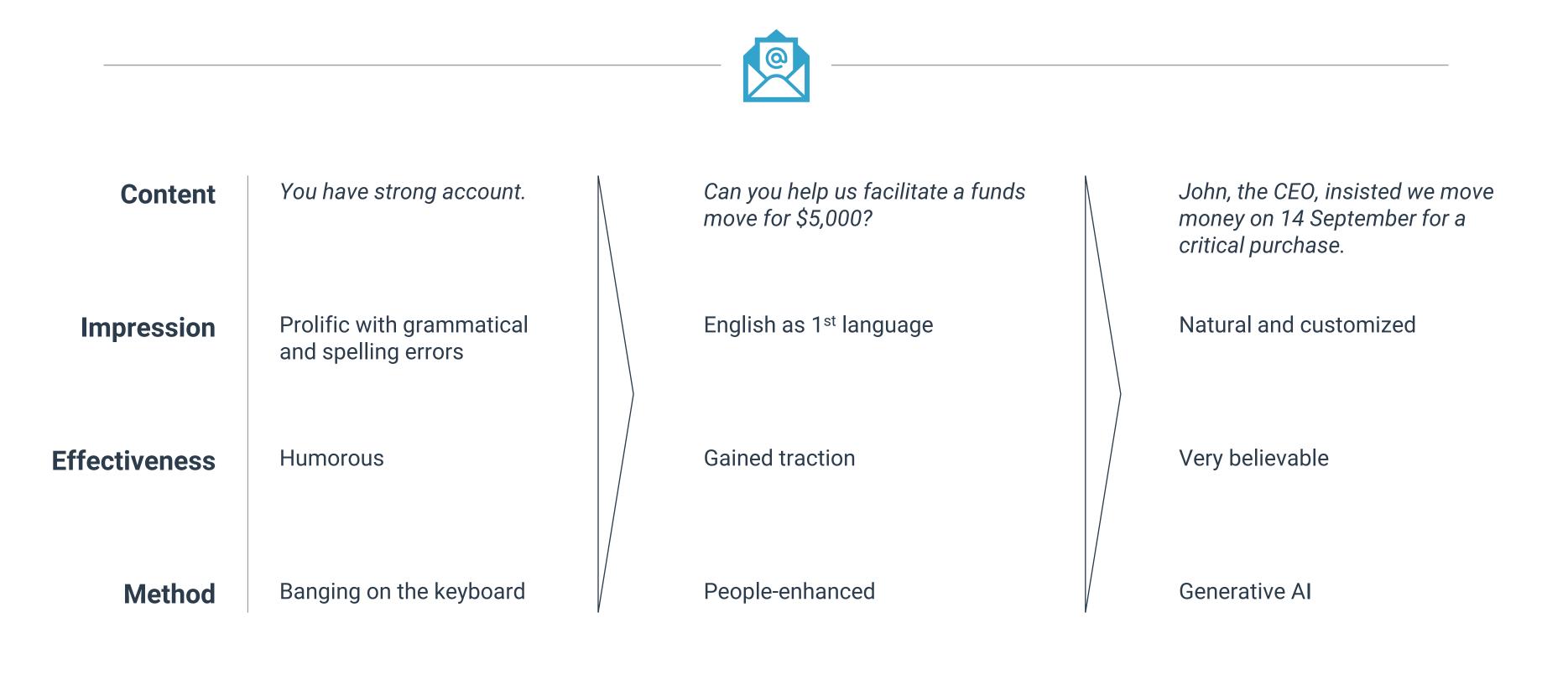
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### **DEVELOPMENTS IN FRAUD I** FRAUDULENT EMAILS





Fraud evolves along with technology. The more automated we get, the more automated the criminals get.

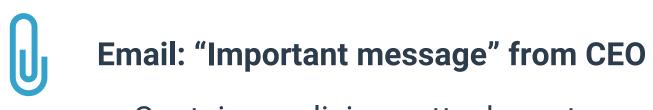
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### **DEVELOPMENTS IN FRAUD II CONTENT CREATION AND SOCIAL ENGINEERING**



- High barriers to entry
- Must continually change expensive templates



Contains malicious attachment



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#### **Generative AI**

- Image
- Video
- Text (ChatGPT)
- Code (ChatGPT)

#### Deepfake

- Voice: Capture audio from earnings calls
- Video: Capture video from YouTube or social media



### THE DEFENSIVE PLAYBOOK TACTICS TO FIGHT FRAUD ACROSS VARIOUS FRONTS



#### **Point of setup**

(e.g., establishing payment information for new vendor)

- Out-of-band validation
- Segregation of duties



#### Point of change

(e.g., moving from check to ACH, thus adding new payment information)

- Self-serve
- Validation (proper formatting of account or ABA number)
- Confirmation (receiving totals from bank showing all received items)



#### **Point of execution**

(e.g., securing a payment happening today)

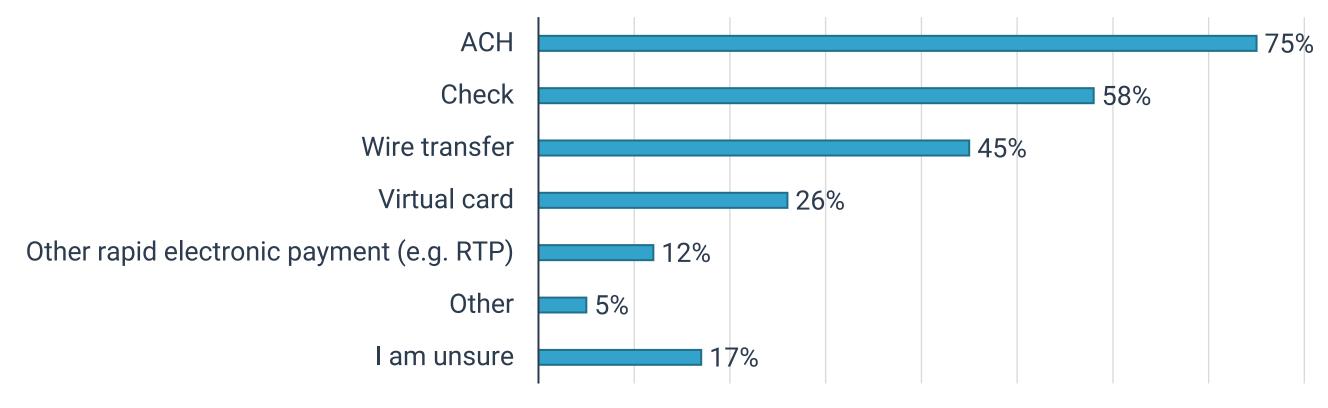
- Hashing
- End-to-end encryption
- Validation (account name match)
- Confirmation (positive pay, electronic preauthorization)

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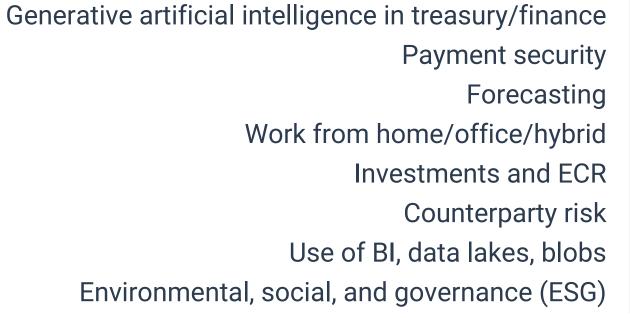


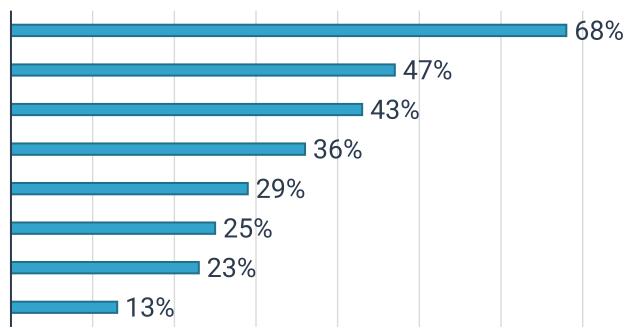
# **POLL QUESTION**

#### Poll 4 - Our payables process has automated payment generation of the following types: (select all that apply)



Poll 5 - We will be doing flash (~15 questions) surveys on timely topics impacting the treasury industry. What topics would be most interesting or helpful to you? Please pick your TOP THREE selections.



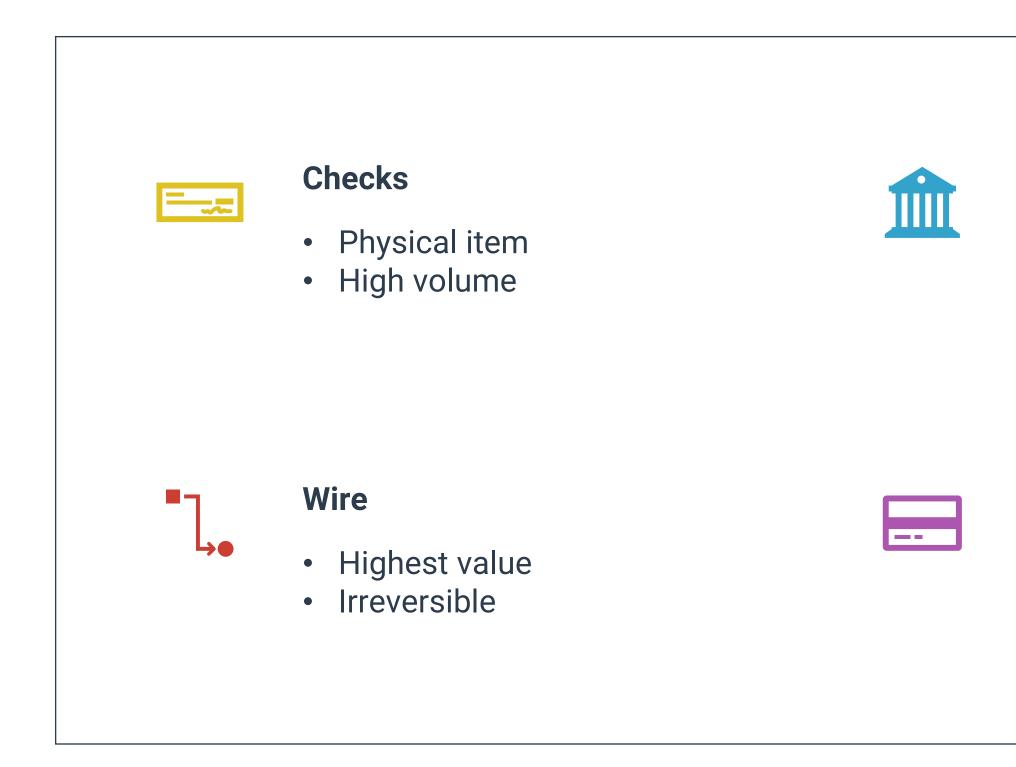


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### **STORIES FROM THE VAULT ACROSS VARIOUS PAYMENT CHANNELS**



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### ACH

- High value
- Attractive for fraud

#### **Virtual card**

- Unique use
- Very secure



## Finexio CONSIDERATIONS AND STRATEGIES THE COMPREHENSIVE RESPONSE TO FRAUD



#### Surface area of attack

- Full inventory of payment channels with assessment
- What is the exposure of each payment channel?

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### Sophisticated attacks require sophisticated defenses

- Upgrade:
  - Technology
  - Processes
  - People
  - Services



## Continual scaling by criminals and democratization of tools for fraud

Continual improvement mindset
 and actions



### **FINAL THOUGHTS** HOW TO PROCEED



- Anarchy in payments is facilitated by tech
- Tech is required to bring order to the anarchy
- The use of tools can help reduce the levels of exposure and protect the surface areas of attack



#### **PARTNERS**

- Specialization: proper security around payments requires partners to achieve your standards
- Training as an update: the human firewall requires specialized payment security training

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### **SECURITY PRINCIPLES**

- Principle of least privilege reduces the total exposure
- Layers so protection is maintained if one is compromised
- Update your list



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