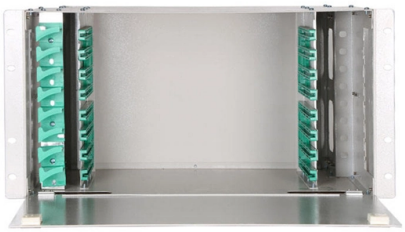
Cyber Syria Needs



Overview

Top 10 Cybersecurity Threats in Syria (2026)An overview of the top cybersecurity threats facing Syria in 2026, highlighting risks and mitigation strategies.

Key Takeaways

Syria urgently requires robust cybersecurity measures, secure digital infrastructure, and comprehensive regulatory frameworks to protect national assets and support post-conflict digital transformation.

Current Cyber Threat Landscape

Syria faces a rapidly evolving cyber threat environment. In 2026, the country has seen significant increases in ransomware attacks (up 45%), phishing campaigns (38%), state-sponsored cyber espionage (52%), IoT vulnerabilities (60%), supply chain attacks (33%), malware infections (41%), and insider threats (29%) targeting government agencies, critical infrastructure, and private organizations. These threats are exacerbated by political instability, weak cybersecurity infrastructure, and the growing sophistication of cybercriminals and state actors.

Digital Infrastructure Challenges

Rebuilding Syria's digital backbone is critical for national recovery. Post-conflict reconstruction has largely focused on physical infrastructure, while digital systems—servers, cloud platforms, and databases—remain vulnerable. Without secure, sovereign, and rights-based digital infrastructure, Syria risks surveillance, data exploitation, foreign interference, and digital repression, which could undermine democratic transition efforts.



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Telecommunications and digital infrastructure are also vital for financial inclusion, economic empowerment of micro, small, and medium enterprises (MSMEs), and national security.

MSM

Es represent over 90% of active economic establishments and contribute significantly to GDP and employment, highlighting the importance of secure digital systems for economic stability.

Regulatory and Institutional Needs

Syria requires a comprehensive cybersecurity regulatory framework to address these challenges. Current regulations emphasize physical, technical, and administrative security measures, including secure data centers, firewalls, intrusion detection systems, encryption protocols, and personnel training. Collaboration between government institutions and the private sector is essential to implement these measures effectively.

The Syrian Cybersecurity Association plays a key role in promoting cyber readiness, protecting national digital assets, and fostering a sustainable digital security culture.

Strategic Priorities

Strengthening Cyber Defense: Implement advanced threat detection, incident response, and backup protocols to mitigate ransomware, malware, and phishing attacks. Rebuilding Digital Infrastructure: Develop secure, resilient, and sovereign digital systems to support governance, economic activity, and democratic processes. Enhancing Regulatory Frameworks: Establish clear cybersecurity laws and standards, enforce compliance, and promote awareness across public and private sectors.

Promoting Digital Inclusion: Expand internet access and financial services to rural and displaced populations while ensuring cybersecurity protections. International Cooperation: Engage with global partners to adopt best practices, secure technology supply chains, and mitigate risks from foreign interference. ConclusionSyria's cybersecurity needs are multifaceted, encompassing threat mitigation, infrastructure rebuilding, regulatory development, and digital inclusion.

Addressing these priorities is essential not only for national security but also for economic recovery, democratic governance, and long-term resilience in the digital era.

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When the Syrian government used deadly force to crush the dissent, protests demanding the president''s resignation erupted nationwide. ''The unrest spread and the crackdown intensified. Opposition

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How Syria''s Dictatorship Lost the War of Information Despite claims of ''digital transformation,'' Assad''s security state clung to outdated methods, becoming a fractured system

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Summary The Assad regime''s downfall in December 2024 marked the emergence of a new security order in Syria. The United States reduced its presence in the country, adopting an

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