

Cloak Your C-Stores Against Ransomware Risks

In the C-Store industry, convenience is what you deliver to your customers.

Aligning with current industry trends, you're likely adding more technology to better capture customer attention and spending. However, the proliferation of connected devices has broadened the attack surface, putting your data and systems at risk. In addition, ongoing workforce shortages might force you to assess the scope of the IT tasks you can manage in-house to best determine how many functions you might need to outsource.

1 The Cipher

I have these amazing point-of-sale (POS) technologies protecting customer data. We're hackproof!

2 The Analysis

Infected by malware that an employee may have unknowingly opened, a Pennsylvania-based C-Store chain's systems and data were compromised. In 2022, the national chain was ordered to pay \$8 million to settle a multi-state data breach that compromised 34 million payment cards used to buy food, gas, and other items.¹

3 Cracking the Code

You have dedicated solutions protecting your data and network. However, your employees could likely use a crash course on cybersecurity to bolster their ransomware and threat awareness. Plus, understaffing can thinly stretch your employees' resources and attention, leaving you even more vulnerable to ransomware attacks.

4 The Fool-Proof Encryption Key

SageNet's Retail-Ready methodology can help C-Stores design and institutionalize foundational and continuous cybersecurity education and training programs to ensure staff, from cashiers to stockers, are aware and prepared for ransomware threats. SageSECURE™ helps C-Stores achieve PCI compliance, so customer card and personal data is protected. Plus, SageNet's managed network services powered by Fortinet deliver AI-based security, threat intelligence, and high-performance networking to provide world-class protection for resource- and staff-constrained C-Stores.

Curious to learn more?

Download our [Demystifying Ransomware for C-Stores eBook](#) to discover how you can prevent hackers from compromising your customers' data.

1) Winsight Grocery Business, C-Store Chain Wawa to Pay \$8M in Data Breach Settlement, July 2022