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# Cyber attacks increase by 65 per cent

**The number of online attacks in Switzerland has seen a dramatic rise in 2021 once more, and this trend is likely to continue in 2022. More than ever, there is one thing users need to do: Protect their digital security!**

Compared to the previous year, researchers working for the Check Point security provider have found a 65 per cent increase in cyber attacks. A similar picture emerged for the rest of Europe. Compared to 2020, attacks increased by 50 per cent.

Swiss companies were a particularly frequent target of criminals over the last year, in particular in healthcare and the financial sector. Communities and other public institutions were also attacked to a similar degree. But private individuals are increasingly falling victim to attacks as well.

Prevention therefore remains the deciding factor involved in preventing cyber attacks. Protect your devices and data with our “[5 steps for your digital security](https://www.ebas.ch/en/5-steps-for-your-digital-security/)”. Handy measure to reduce risks in companies can be found in our “[Tips for SME](https://www.ebas.ch/en/tips-for-smes/)”.