

# The State of Secure Access in APJ

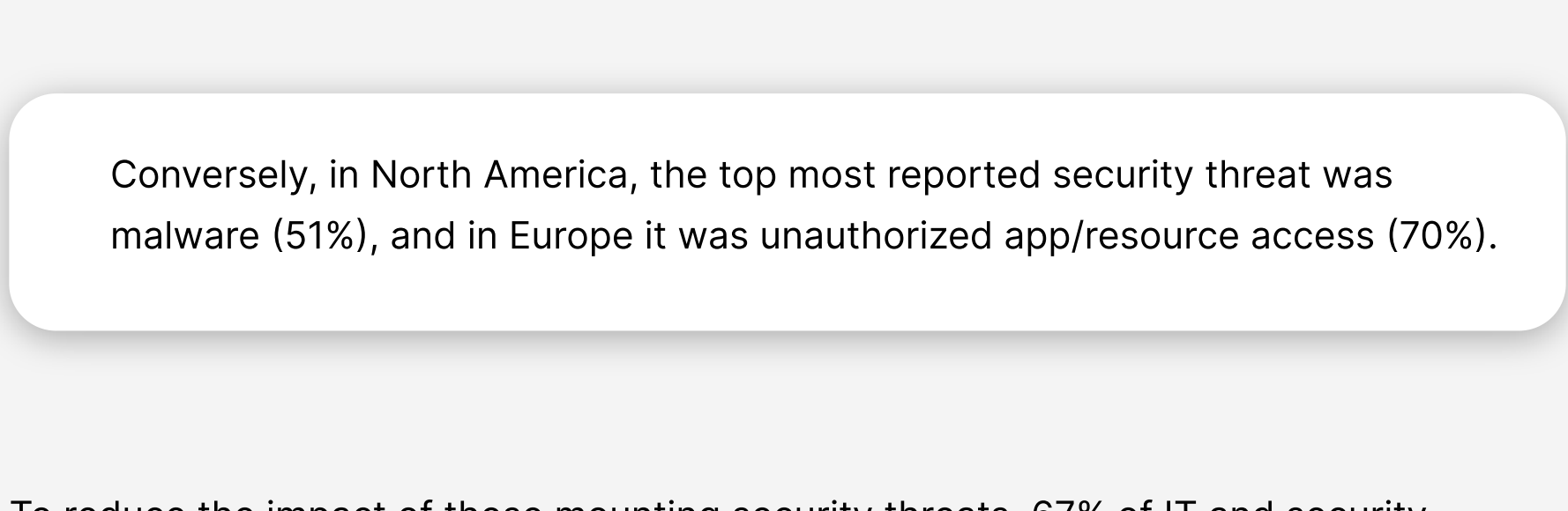
In the past 12 months, security and IT leaders in the Asia Pacific and Japan (APJ) region have experienced a number of security threats. To combat these growing challenges, they're prioritizing secure access initiatives, and are planning to align them against a Zero Trust protocol. But among different industries—namely software, financial services, and manufacturing—those priorities differ.

Ivanti and Pulse surveyed 125 IT and security leaders in APJ to uncover their secure access priorities for the next 12 months and discover how secure access initiatives will be used to reduce the frequency of security challenges.

## Companies need to define access policies to combat security threats

Over the last year, over half of companies in APJ have suffered a security attack. Most commonly, IT and security leaders' organizations have been impacted by mobile or web application security exposures (61%), account fraud and identity theft (58%), and unauthorized app/resource access (55%).

Which 5 of the following security threats have most impacted your organization in the past 12 months?

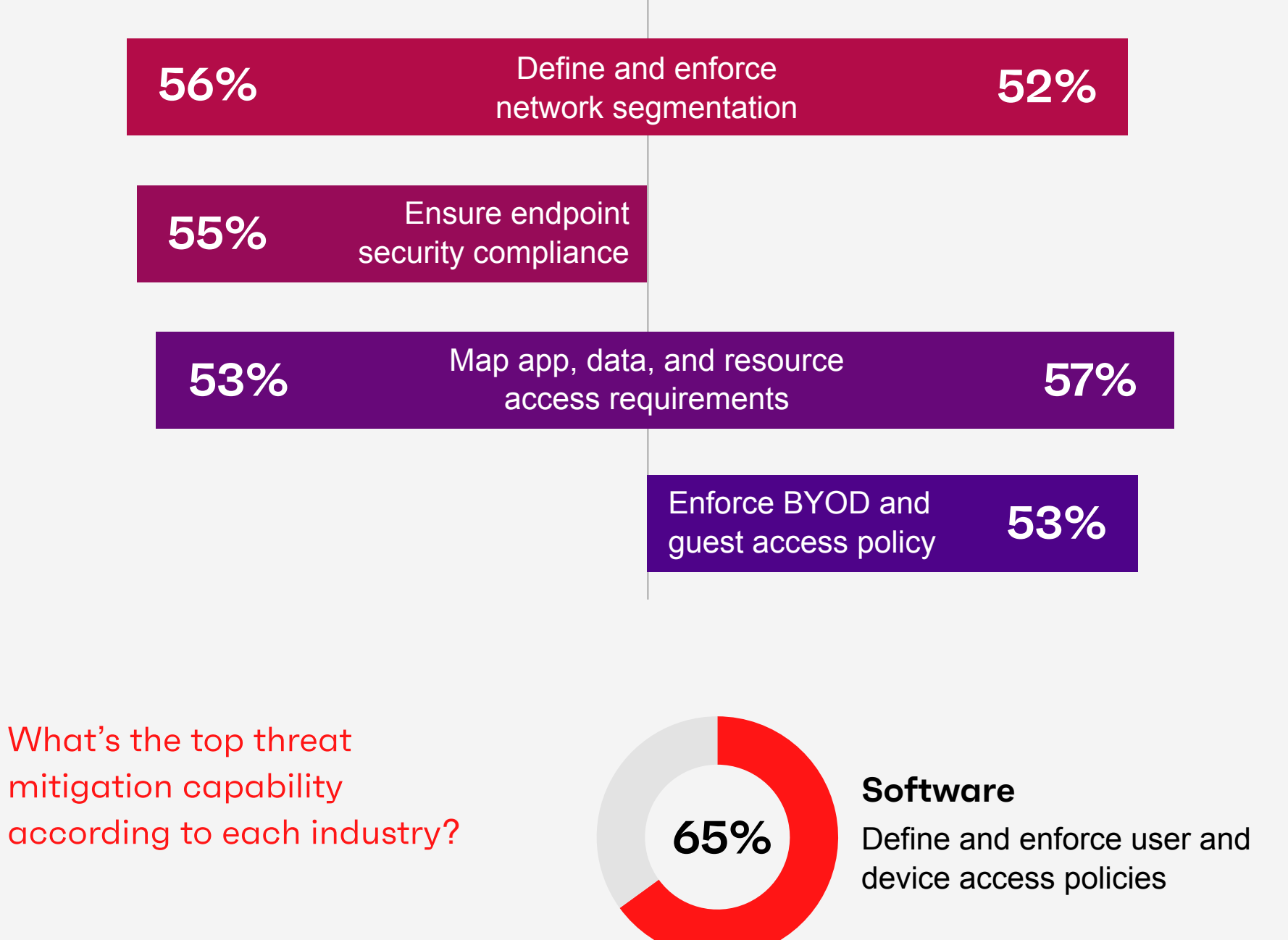


Conversely, in North America, the top most reported security threat was malware (51%), and in Europe it was unauthorized app/resource access (70%).

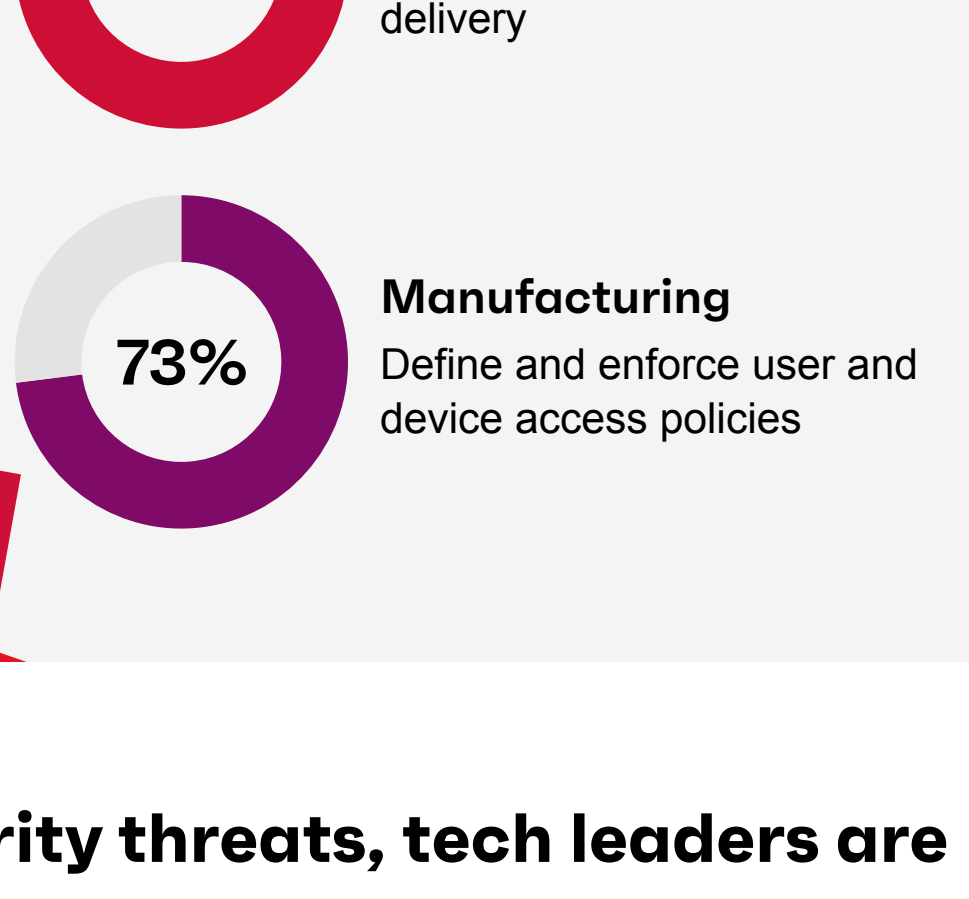
To reduce the impact of these mounting security threats, 67% of IT and security leaders say it is most important for their organization to define and enforce user and device access policies. However, 4 of the top 5 most vital initiatives are also 4 of the 5 hardest to implement.

Which of the following security capabilities are most important for your organization to execute in order to mitigate access security threats?

Which 5 of the following security capabilities are most challenging for your organization to execute in order to mitigate access security threats/risks?



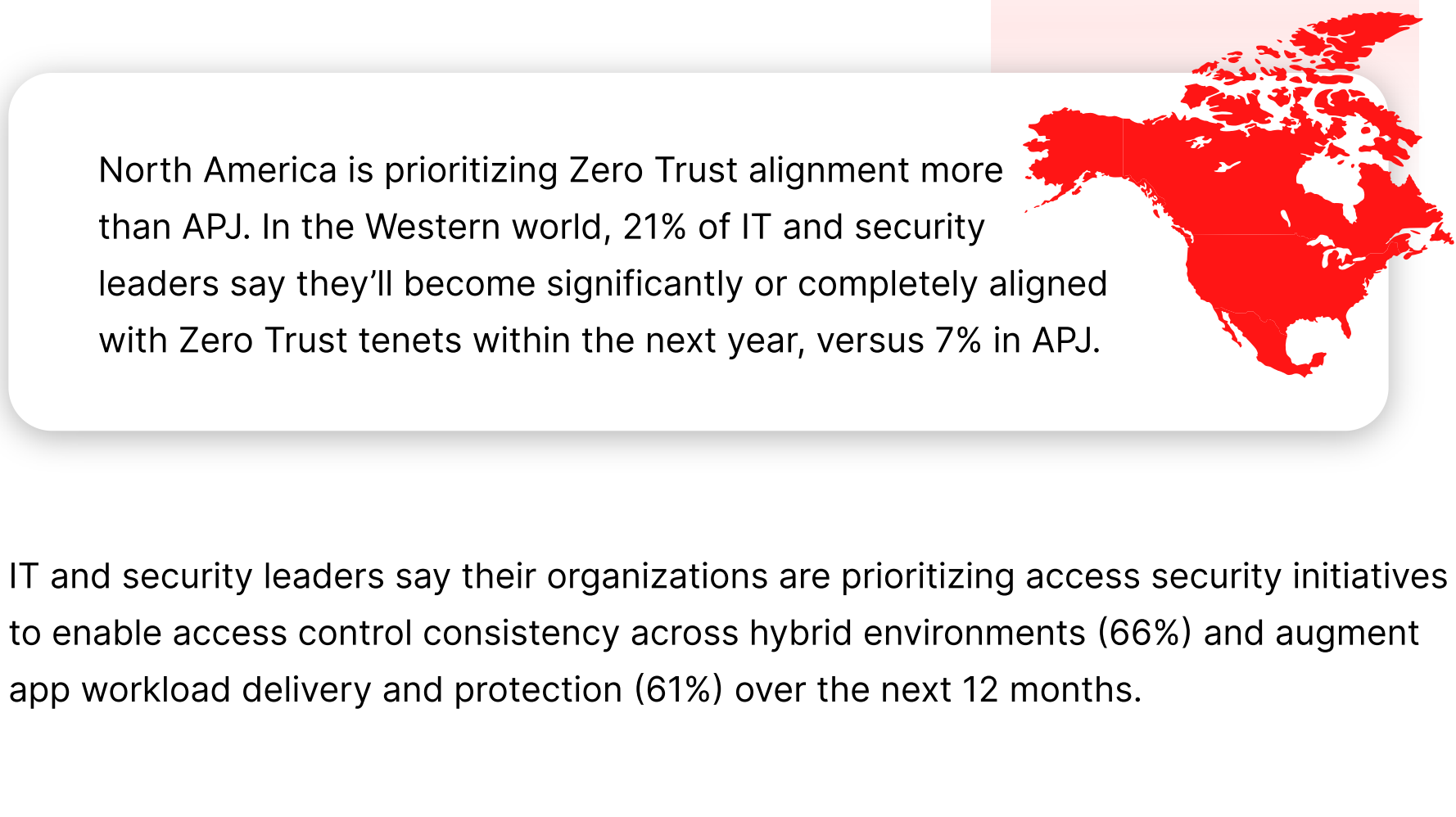
What's the top threat mitigation capability according to each industry?



## To further prevent security threats, tech leaders are prioritizing Zero Trust and securing hybrid IT

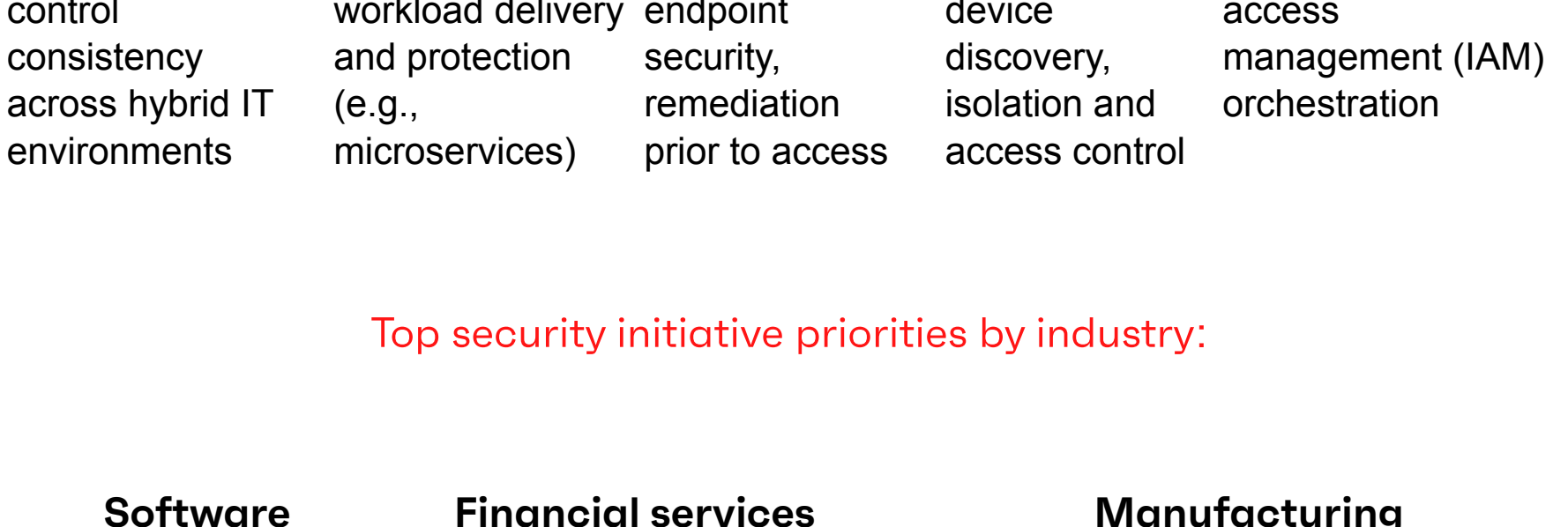
All (100%) IT and security practitioners in APJ say their security practices will become more aligned with a Zero Trust strategy over the next 12 months.

In the next 12 months, to what extent will your organization's existing security controls become more aligned with Zero Trust?



IT and security leaders say their organizations are prioritizing access security initiatives to enable access control consistency across hybrid environments (66%) and augment app workload delivery and protection (61%) over the next 12 months.

Over the next 12 months, which access security initiatives are of highest priority for your organization?



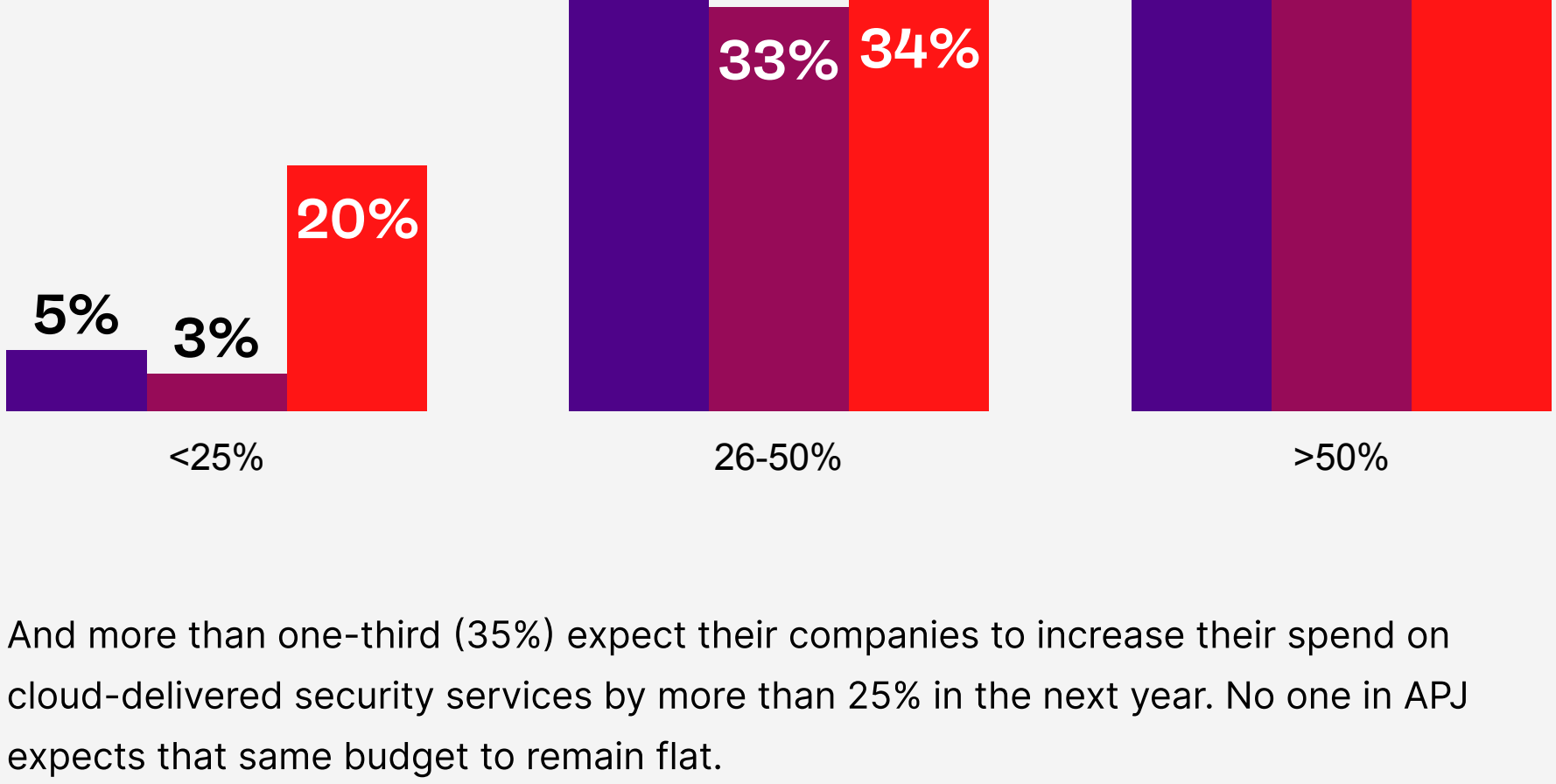
Top security initiative priorities by industry:



## APJ companies leverage cloud-delivered security services more than any other region, and plan to consolidate vendors

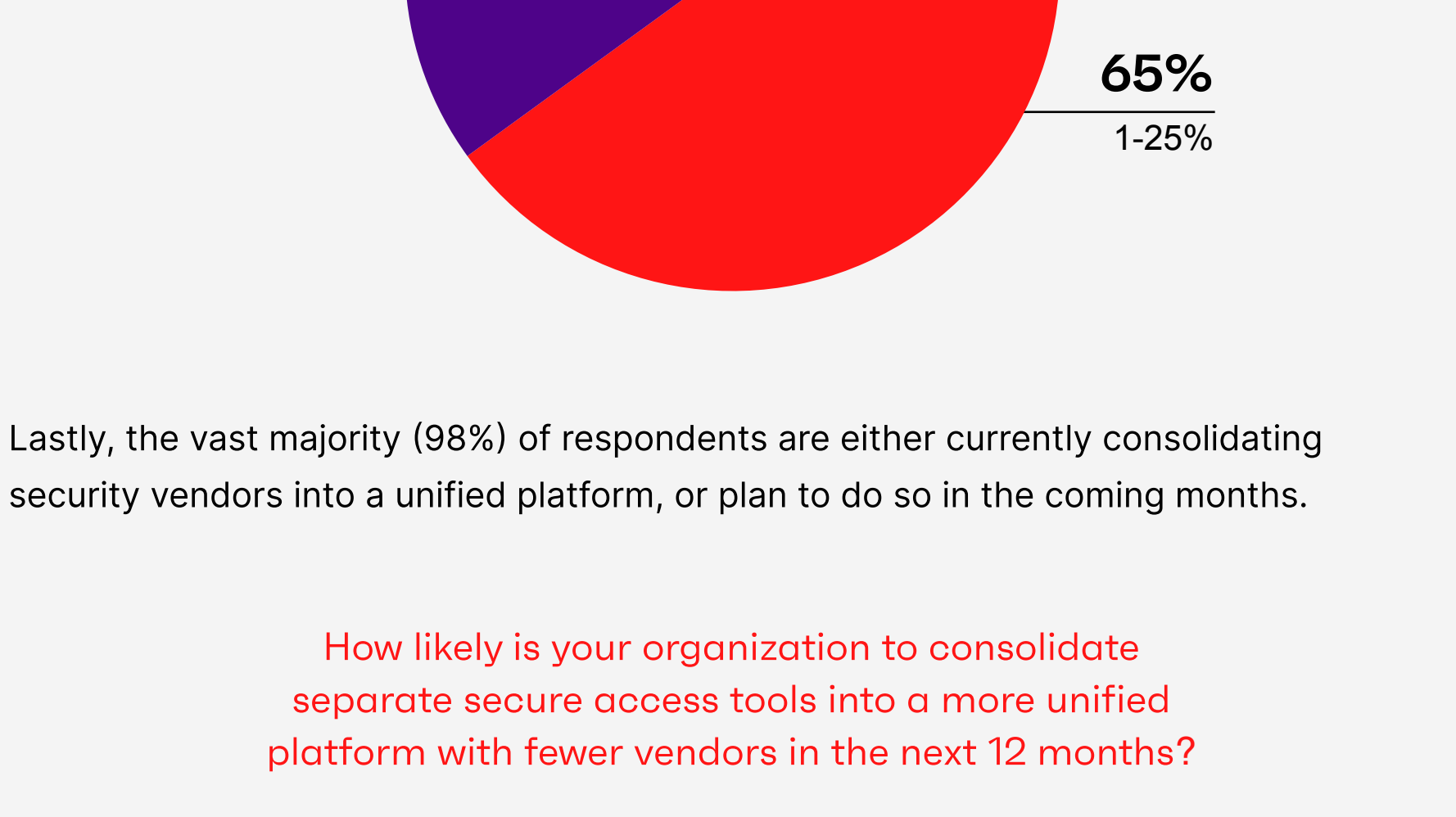
95% of APJ-based IT and security leaders say their companies have transitioned more than a quarter of their security services to cloud delivery.

How many security services has your company transitioned to cloud delivery from traditional on-premises security tools?



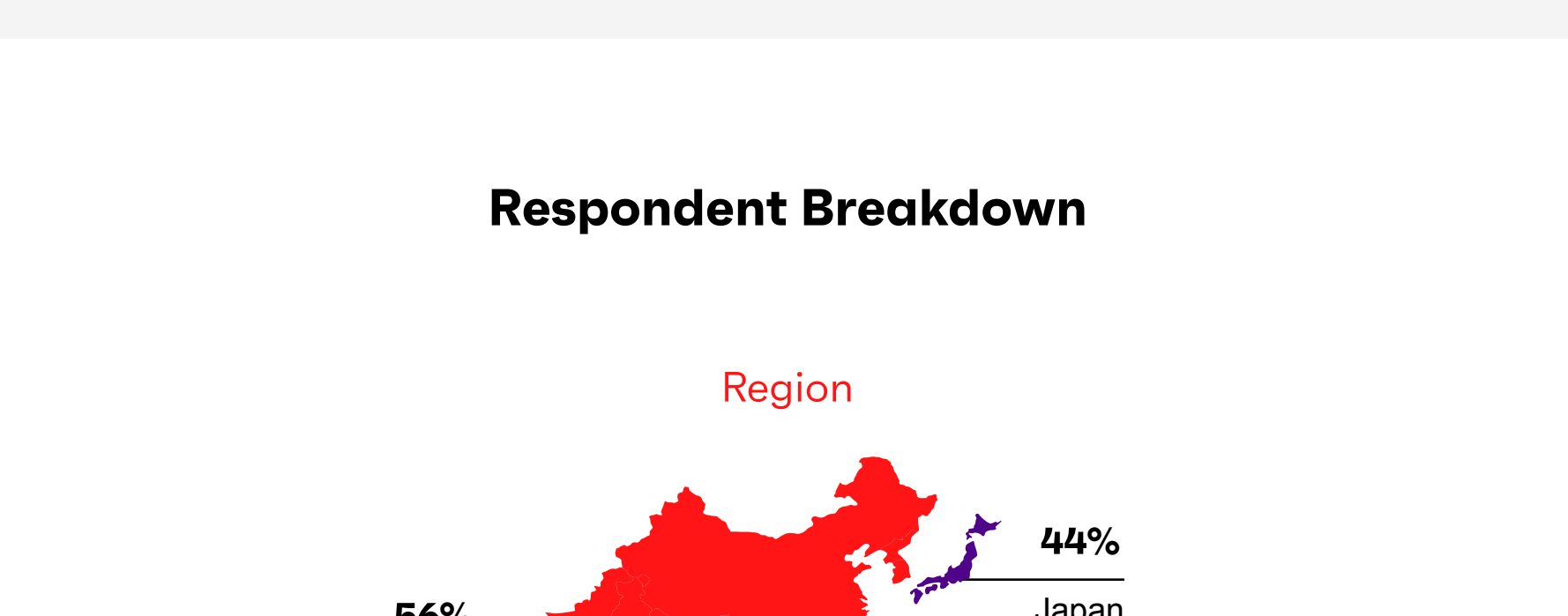
And more than one-third (35%) expect their companies to increase their spend on cloud-delivered security services by more than 25% in the next year. No one in APJ expects that same budget to remain flat.

In the next 18 months, to what extent do you expect your company to increase investment in cloud-delivered security services?



Lastly, the vast majority (98%) of respondents are either currently consolidating security vendors into a unified platform, or plan to do so in the coming months.

How likely is your organization to consolidate separate secure access tools into a more unified platform with fewer vendors in the next 12 months?



## Respondent Breakdown

