

ACP



What **Risks** Lurk In The Cloud? Ways Things Can
Go **Badly** And **How You Can Prepare**

Mitchel Forney | mitchel.forney@alpin.io | 520-477-6952

Our theme today: SaaS can be scary and few people know the extent of the problem. So what can you do to be prepared?

Statistics, Trends, and Context

The ACP Game Show:

On
Horrors in
Shadow /
Hidden
Information
Technology


Expect discussion questions and interactivity

How Cloud Software Spreads



1

Fred: this app will help me be so productive!

A blue button with the Google 'G' logo and the text 'Sign up with Google'. A mouse cursor is hovering over the button.

2

Fred to @Team: Check out this AMAZING App!

+20
Users

3

A red calendar icon showing a grid of days.

6 months later...

4

\$\$\$

1,000+
Paid Users

5

APPROVED

AP Dept:
"This is fine"

6

Fred to @Team: Check out this OTHER AMAZING App!

Rinse and repeat.

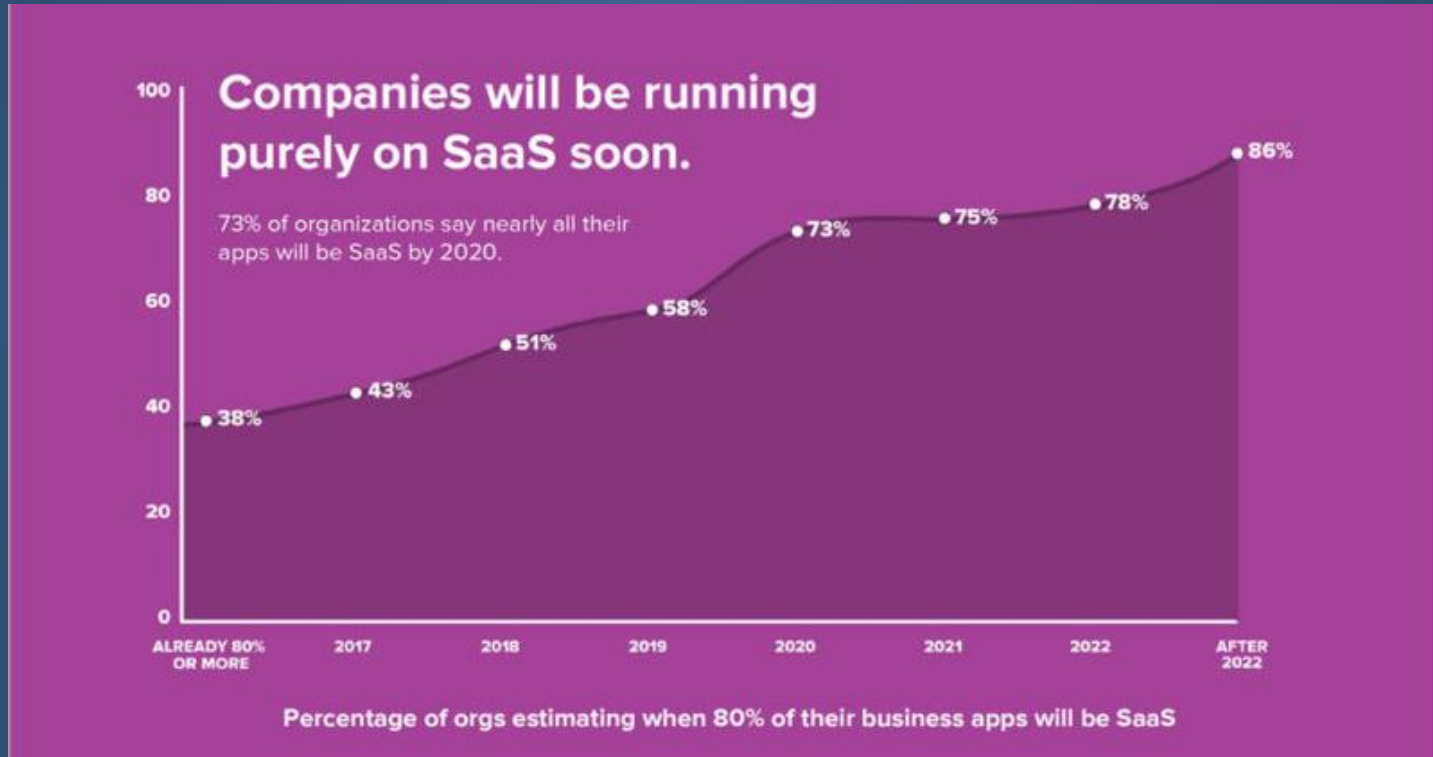


Figure 9. SaaS Most Highly Deployed Global Cloud Service by 2018



Source: Cisco Global Cloud Index, 2013–2018

Growth: 54% of CIOs expect to use cloud software for **mission critical applications** within the next 3 years.

Budget: CIOs expected to **double their spend** on cloud-based services, from 22% to 44%, over the next 3 years

Motivations: According to CIOs –

- Scalability and agility (over 70%)
- Reducing costs (44%)
- Enhancing security (34%)





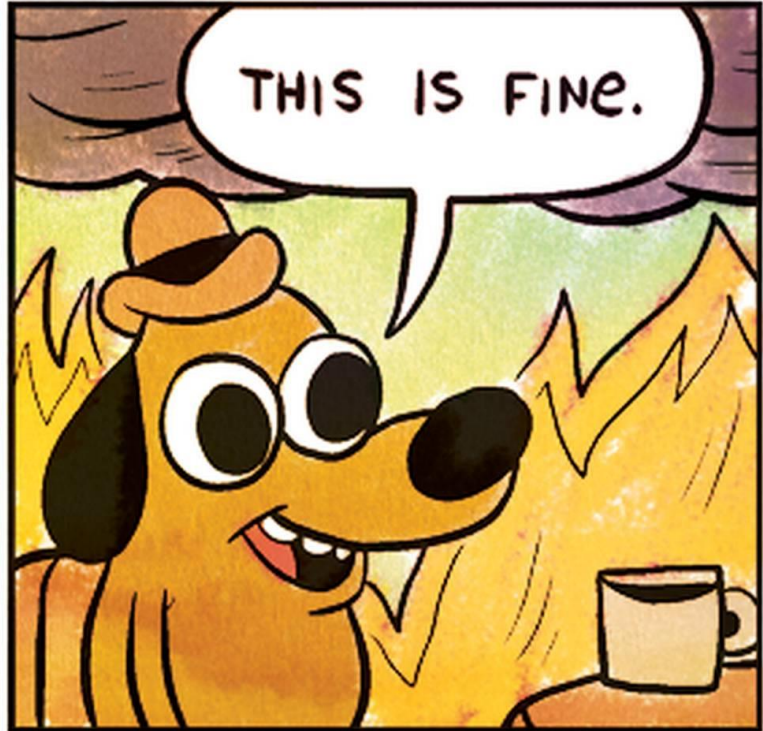
*A clickbait-ey Alpin ad
on the topic*

Cisco: large enterprises use over 1,200 cloud services on average, and fewer than 50 of those cloud services are known by IT.

CIOs estimated 51 cloud services; had 15-22 times that amount.

Gartner found that shadow IT is 30-40% of IT spend; Everest group says it's 50% or more.

In Sum...



For every employee....

0.5 - 1

- a. Security breaches, big or small
- b. File containing PII uploaded to SaaS app
- c. Unique SaaS applications

For every employee....

0.5 - 1

- a. Security breaches, big or small
- b. File containing PII uploaded to SaaS app
- c. Unique SaaS applications

Alpin Tracks....



- a. 3,000 apps
- b. 7,000 apps
- c. 20,000 apps
- d. 40,000 apps

Alpin Tracks....



- a. 3,000 apps
- b. 7,000 apps
- c. 20,000 apps
- d. 40,000 apps

Companies have 99 _____, 9 _____,
and 6 _____ subscriptions on
average

- a. Game, project management, file sharing
- b. NSFW, project management, file sharing
- c. Slack, project management, file sharing

Companies have 99 _____, 9 _____,
and 6 _____ subscriptions on
average

- a. Game, project management, file sharing
- b. NSFW, project management, file sharing
- c. Slack, project management, file sharing

Many employees, including the CEO and CFO, granted full access to their inboxes (and all sensitive content) to

- a. A dating app owned by Iranian entities
- b. A Russian-owned gaming site
- c. A calendar tool owned by a well-known hacktivist group

Many employees, including the CEO and CFO, granted full access to their inboxes (and all sensitive content) to

- a. A dating app owned by Iranian entities
- b. A Russian-owned gaming site
- c. A calendar tool owned by a well-known hacktivist group

Users were known for storing sensitive information in a project management app, which they were advised against. That was OK until management discovered:

- b. 4 additional project management apps
- b. 5 different Slack accounts, each containing important passwords, PII, and more
- c. 5 duplicate versions of the same project management app, unsupervised

Users were known for storing sensitive information in a project management app, which they were advised against. That was OK until management discovered:

b. 4 additional project management apps

b. 5 different Slack accounts, each containing important passwords, PII, and more

c. 5 duplicate versions of the same project management app, unsupervised

Upon scanning a cloud storage vendor, the CFO was discovered having switched the following to a “public” share setting:

- a. Lurid and inappropriate conversation through a plain text file shared with a vendor rep.
- b. The entire root-level Finance folder used by their entire department and the company at large.
- c. A list of their most important passwords.

Upon scanning a cloud storage vendor, the CFO was discovered having switched the following to a “public” share setting:

- a. Lurid and inappropriate conversation through a plain text file shared with a vendor rep.
- b. The entire root-level Finance folder used by their entire department and the company at large.
- c. A list of their most important passwords.

“Wait, they’ve been gone _____ and not only could they access all of our CRM data but we’ve been paying for the privilege?”

- a. 3 days
- b. 3 weeks
- c. 3 months
- d. 3 years

“Wait, they’ve been gone _____ and not only could they access all of our CRM data but we’ve been paying for the privilege?”

- a. 3 days
- b. 3 weeks
- c. 3 months
- d. 3 years

A SaaS provider experienced a major data breach. How do you know if any current or former employees have an account?

- a. Ask department heads
- b. Ask someone in IT to scan firewall, agent, or proxy logs
- c. Panic
- d. Log in to a single tool and check in a few clicks

How has your organization handled SaaS, in policy and practice?

What would you expect to find in your organization?

What's important in a system of record for SaaS, from a DR perspective?

If you could pull one report on all SaaS vendors today, what would it include?

How are you handling continuity discussions around mission-critical SaaS applications?

How could some non-critical SaaS subscriptions create continuity issues?

What would be the worst part of suddenly discovering you have several hundred or thousand more vendors to deal with?

ACP



What **Risks** Lurk In The Cloud? Ways Things Can
Go **Badly** And **How You Can Prepare**

Mitchel Forney | mitchel.forney@alpin.io | 520-477-6952