

# Risks and Costs of a Cyber Attack



Charities may be targeted for multiple reasons:

- Holding funds
- Access to sensitive personal, financial and commercial data
- Someone wanting to disrupt the charity's activities

The impact of any cyber attack on a charity might be particularly high as charities often have limited funds, minimal insurance coverage and, by their very nature, are a supplier of last resort providing services where there is insufficient government or affordable private sector alternatives.

The impact of a cyber attack for a charity may include:

- Loss of important data
- Loss of funds
- Time and financial costs of recovery
- Having to pause or stop operations
- Damage to the organisation's reputation

