

# Closing the Risk Window on Cyberattacks

## Now you can:

- Gain visibility into all your software and its patch status
- Prioritize patching based on the risk to your business
- Take advantage of vulnerability intelligence by Secunia Research
- Connect assessment and patching to reduce time to remediation effectively
- Act quicker by leveraging the largest repository of third-party patch data available
- Automate routine patch deployment so you can focus on more complex applications
- Reduce your costs for patching

## What you get

**Stop reacting. Gain control. Stay secure.** It takes organizations too long to identify and fix software vulnerabilities. The result is an ever-growing number of unattended vulnerabilities that give cyberattackers a large window of opportunity to get their grip on systems and execute attacks. It's critical to address this risk window to reduce the odds of attacks and stay secure.

## A more effective risk mitigation process

Processes are the backbone of any program to mitigate risk effectively. It's critical for the security of your business to build processes that connect policies with software vulnerability and patch management activities. Such processes ensure that you're addressing critical vulnerabilities accordingly, maintaining a clear picture of your environment and having a full understanding of how vulnerabilities and patches are being managed.

Flexera bases our solutions on vulnerability intelligence and world-class technology, so our customers are confident that they don't just react to a crisis when attacks happen. Instead, they gain control over the entire software vulnerability management lifecycle and stay secure.

## Make prioritization a priority

Flexera offers an integrated solution providing the most third-party software coverage in the industry today—more than 1,200 out-of-the-box patches, plus details to help create over 1,200 others more easily. While this functionality makes it much easier to publish patches, each requires testing and introduces some level of risk if a deployment negatively impacts endpoints. That's why effective prioritization is so important.

## Prioritize smarter with threat intelligence

Bolster the insights that enable effective prioritization with a score based on threat intelligence that allows you to consider which vulnerabilities are most likely to be exploited. **Only 6 to 8 percent of vulnerabilities lead to an exploit that could damage your organization if not patched.** Flexera's threat score metric associates this valuable insight with your unpatched products to help ensure you're focusing on the patches that most affect your environment.

## Automate deployment

Time and resources are finite. Your team needs to maximize their efficiency by not just focusing on what matters most but on automating tasks where possible. You can now automate the publishing of new patches as they become available and limit the automation to configurable thresholds, based on criticality, threat or CVSS scores. These abilities allow you to apply automation intelligently, leveraging the same criteria you'd consider when handling patches manually.

## An array of features that enhance your risk mitigation

### Assessment

Discover and track more applications across Windows, Mac and Linux platforms than any other provider. Flexera offers multiple options—agent or agentless—to collect inventory and determine patch status. Our proprietary scanning technology is non-intrusive and detects .EXE, .DLL and .OCX files, regardless of their installation path.

## Secunia Advisories

Understand the criticality of the vulnerability with the ratings provided by Secunia Research. Secunia Advisories contain detailed information on the vulnerability, attack vector, impact and more. They provide ground information to understand risk and determine actions.

## Smart Groups

Build processes and drive action using the Smart Groups function. There are many ways you can use this feature: for example, you can group systems that have similar policies for patching and are managed by the same team. In that way, alerts go automatically to relevant teams, which take action faster. Smart Groups can be configured by devices, products or advisories.

## Non-Microsoft patching for Windows

Complete your patch management programs with full coverage of non-Microsoft applications for assessment and pre-packaged patches for the most common Windows desktop applications. Our specialists monitor for product updates constantly and confirm successful operation so you learn of new updates and prepare to deploy them confidently.

## Software packaging system

Quickly implement applicability rules, configure updates, and uninstall and customize packages using this functionality. The packaging system simplifies the configuration of patches. Patch templates allow you to save configurations for automating and streamlining repeatable activities.

## Integration with WSUS and SCCM

Integrate with your Microsoft tools for inventory collection and patch deployment. Assess the patch status of all your Microsoft and

non-Microsoft applications on Windows and drive patching of non-Microsoft apps through WSUS or SCCM.

### Intelligent Automation

Reduce the time-to-resolution window and drive routine patching with automation. Focus on more complex applications while putting the routine on autopilot. Choose which applications to automate and set conditions to publish only the versions you determine to be most impactful.

### The vulnerability intelligence you need when you need it

#### Live updates

Get alerts based on the latest assessment when extremely critical vulnerabilities arise in between scans. Act fast and avoid the risk of exploitation.

#### Dashboard

Get a clear understanding of the vulnerability status of your environment. Follow remediation activities and trends. Select the views that matter to you and help you identify issues and drill down for more information.

### Reporting

Produce customized reports and keep your team and organization informed of the status of compliance with policies and regulations. Report on vulnerability risk and patching activities.

*“Flexera has become fundamental to our patch management regime. We now have oversight that we’ve never had before. What was a complex, difficult, and time-consuming process is now more structured, prioritized and focused. We’re in a better position than we’ve ever been.”*

**Liz Holmes** ICT Security & Compliance, North East  
Lincolnshire Council

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