



Week of February 23, 2026

## Cybersecurity Headlines

### Digital Threat Landscape

*Cybercrimes, Scams, Threats, Vulnerabilities and Incidents*

#### Russian-speaking hackers used gen AI tools to compromise 600 firewalls, Amazon says | The Record from Recorded Future News

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A Russian-speaking threat actor used commercial generative artificial intelligence tools to help compromise more than 600 FortiGate firewall devices across more than 55 countries earlier this year, researchers have found.



#### Phishing operation with links to Russia, Armenia compromised Western cargo companies, researchers find - therecord.media

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Phishing operation with links to Russia, Armenia compromised Western cargo companies, researchers find Researchers have uncovered and taken down the infrastructure of a phishing operation run by Russian cybercriminals targeting freight companies in t...



#### Health insurance tech provider TriZetto says more than 3 million impacted by 2024 breach

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A breach of TriZetto software first described by counties in Oregon affected millions of Americans overall, according to public data released this week by the company.

### Industry Updates

*Legislation, Business, Privacy, Updates, Related Technologies*



#### Global data protection authorities warn generative AI companies against replicating real people

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The joint statement comes on the heels of the Grok AI chatbot creating and sharing millions of images of "nudified" real people.



#### NIST agentic AI initiative looks to get handle on security

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Before AI agents run amok, a new NIST project is seeking feedback on the secure use of the fast evolving technology.



#### PowerSchool, Chicago Public Schools to settle student data privacy lawsuit for \$17 million | The Record from Recorded Future News

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The education software company PowerSchool and Chicago Public Schools have agreed to pay \$17.25 million to settle a proposed class-action lawsuit that accused them of violating students' privacy by eavesdropping on their communications, court documen...



### Ransomware payments dropped in 2025 as attack numbers reached record levels: Chainalysis

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The rate at which ransomware victims paid cybercriminals fell last year while the overall number of attacks ballooned, Chainalysis found.



### Discord puts global age verification policy on hold after backlash

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In responding to pushback about Discord's impending age verification policy, co-founder Stanislav Vishnevskiy said the platform "failed at our most basic job: clearly explaining what we're doing and why. That's on us."



### Google disrupts China-linked cyberespionage campaign spanning dozens of countries

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A cyberespionage campaign carried out by a China-linked threat actor affected at least 53 government and telecom organizations across 42 countries, Google said.

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