U.S. millennials are interested in the cybersecurity profession but are not fully prepared to be successful. Industry and educators could be doing more to close the cyber talent gap.

**Anatomy of a millennial**

- **60%** of online violations in the last year (identity theft or computer virus).
- Of that 60%, **70%** changed their online behavior in response.
- **26%** are confident that their high school taught them to use technology securely.
- **64%** did not have computer classes in high school that provided skills to pursue a cybersecurity career.
- **59%** are not aware of the tasks and responsibilities in "cybersecurity" jobs.
- **63%** said no teacher ever mentioned cybersecurity as a career (down from 82% in 2013).

**The Cyber Education Gap**

- Most U.S. millennials believe they are personally responsible for their online safety.
- Only **26%** are confident that their high school taught them to use technology securely.
- **38%** of millennials are more likely to consider a career where they could make the Internet safer and more secure.
- **48%** want more relevant classes/training to see if they would be good at it.
- **41%** want reassurance that they would earn a good living.
- **34%** want opportunity to speak to current professionals about cybersecurity career pros and cons.

**The Cyber Education Gap**

- **45%** of millennials believe commercial websites are responsible for their online safety.
- **44%** believe social network friends are responsible.
- **42%** believe the government is responsible.
- **41%** believe they are personally responsible for their online safety.
- **38%** believe more relevant classes/training to see if they would be good at it.
- **34%** believe opportunity to speak to current professionals about cybersecurity career pros and cons.
- **29%** believe reassurance that they would earn a good living.

**Interest in cyber careers: A rose by any other name…**

- **63%** are not aware of the tasks and responsibilities in "cybersecurity" jobs.
- **62%** are not sensitive to the risks and responsibilities in "cybersecurity" jobs.

**The Raytheon-NCSA Millennial Survey**

- Fielded by Zogby Analytics and included responses from 1,000 adults in the U.S. aged 18 to 26.
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