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# How privacy affects the IT auditor and security manager: Beyond reductionism.\*

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## Marketplace Realities

#### **New Laws**

• Since 1998, 80+ privacy laws in over 50+ countries were passed in areas of financial privacy, data protection, telemarketing/fax, spam/web, and security breaches

#### **New Business Demands**

- Consumer expectation of privacy with Financial Institutions has dramatically changed; more opt-outs
- Loss of Trust & Privacy: 33.4M Americans have been victims of identity theft since 1990; 50M+ received security breach notices in 2005

#### **New & Heightened Security Threats**

- Number of security-related incidents and sophistication of attacks are increasing
- Public awareness is heightened by new breach notification requirements

#### **New Regulator & Industry Focus on Privacy & Data Protection**

- Regulators are active globally and asking tougher questions of data management, information security and control environments
- Companies are developing long-term strategies and frameworks to address privacy and data protections

# Privacy Landscape: Looking Out



20-30% of Global 1000 will suffer exposure due to privacy mismanagement.

(Gartner)

- Complex cross-jurisdictional regulatory environment
- Privacy is one of many of laws impacting organizational trust and brand
- Cultural and ethical differences shape concepts of privacy for customers, partners, employees, and competitors
- Rapid technological change
- Intense media pressure on privacy breaches / missteps
- Disproportionate legislative pressure compared with market pressure

# Privacy Landscape: Looking In



Costs to recover from privacy mistakes will range from \$5 - \$20 million.

- **Decentralized business structures**
- Rapid technological change
- Uncertainty associated with data handling practices
- Limited resources available for non-revenue-generating activities
- Pressure to achieve cost-savings across the board
- Tendency to confuse security as privacy efforts
- Undefined ROI for privacy
- (Gartner) Complexity in measuring performance associated with privacy

## 2004: The Year American's Opted Out

### "Don't Call. Don't Write. Let Me Be"

- A privacy sensitive American family may spend between \$200 and \$300 and many hours annually to opt-out
- 100+ million phone numbers have been placed on the Do Not Call Registry

### **Opting Out Options**

- Phone Solicitations
- Direct Mail Solicitations
- Unsolicited E-mail
- Credit Card Solicitations / Credit Freeze
- Web-based Ad Serving
- What's next? Real Estate Filings, Birth Certificates, DMV Databases

## 2005-2007: An Era of Security Breach Notifications

- Public bombarded with reports of data breaches (i.e., ChoicePoint, UCLA, t.j.maxx, etc.)
- Nearly 150 million records containing PII have been exposed in breaches since February '05
- 20% of consumers who received notices reported severing ties with organization
- 35 state laws introduced, Congress expected to pass Federal legislation in '07



## **Organizational Response: Reductionism**

## Reductionism

- Privacy reduced and addressed one part at a time
  - -- principles
  - -- compliance requirements
  - -- business processes
- Explosion in IT focus on frameworks, guidelines, standards, taxonomies, etc.
- Unified theories of compliance and "cross walking"









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## **Disconnected Privacy and Compliance**



- HIPAA Privacy Rule
- HHS only acts on complaints
- 25,000 complaints filed to date; no action taken



Healthcare Institution

- Organizations spend \$ millions to comply
- Required extensive change management
- Reacts to events



Patient

- Patient signs a notice form
- Patient has to decide whether rights have been violated

What's the point of a compliance effort if it doesn't reduce the chance of an enforcement action or build trust with your customer?

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