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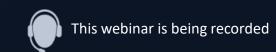
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# Digital Identity Functional Overview



	Action	Seeks to answer the question
	<b>Identity Proofing</b>	Who are you? Identity proofing provides confidence that the person you are granting an account to is the person they claim to be.
₽ P	Authentication	Are you the same you?  Authentication provides confidence that a returning user is the same person to whom you granted an account.
<u>م</u>	Federation	How can I receive and convey identity information? Federation allows for the transmission of identity data to partners inside and outside your organization.
	Authorization	What are you allowed to do?  Authorization limits a users access to the minimum needed for them to execute their defined roles and functions related to an applications,

data, or service.

### What is Multifactor Authentication?





# Something you know

(e.g., Password, PIN)



### Something you have

(e.g., phone, security key)



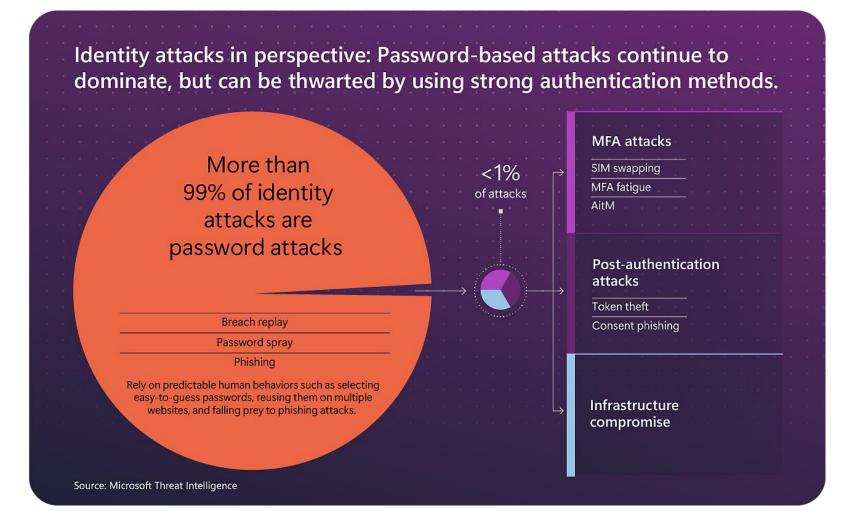
### Something you are

(e.g., biometric)

Multifactor Authentication (MFA) combines more than one of these factors when authenticating users.

# Why MFA Matters – Passwords stink.





Password Problems



Credential Stuffing,
Guessing, Brute Force



Offline and Dictionary Attacks



Phishing, SMShing & other ishing



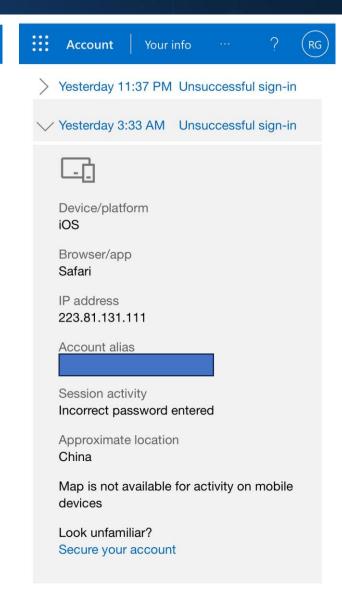
Social Engineering & Scams

**Source: Microsoft Digital Defense Report 2024** 

## Are you a target? A fun exercise...



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#### **My Personal 365 Account**

- 25 plus unsuccessful access attempts in one week
- Attempts from China,
   Vietnam, Brazil,
   Ukraine, Romania
- Yes, this is Office 365
   but how many of you use Office 365?

# MFA Types



	Less Secure			More Secure		
	SMS OTP A code that is texted or delivered via audio	OTP Apps App that generates timebound codes	Push Authentication  App that sends approval  requests to a user	Cryptographic Apps Key for authentication stored in software	Security Keys Key for authentication stored on a device	
Examples	"your verification code is 1234. Don't share this with anyone else!"	Google & Microsoft Authenticators	"Press 'approve' if you are attempting to access"	FaceID, Windows Hello, Google, PASSKEYS!	Yubikey, Google Titan, PIV Cards	
The Good	Anyone with a phone can use it!	<ul><li>SIM Swap protection</li><li>Can be done offline</li></ul>	<ul><li>SIM swap protection</li><li>Minimal phishing protection</li></ul>	<ul><li>Phishing resistant</li><li>"Passwordless"</li><li>Single device</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Phishing resistant</li> <li>Local MFA option</li> <li>Can be single device</li> </ul>	
The Bad	<ul> <li>Highly phishable</li> <li>Connection required</li> <li>SIM Swap</li> <li>Network attacks</li> <li>Carrier reliance</li> <li>Plus a password</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Highly phishable</li> <li>App required</li> <li>Smart phone needed</li> <li>Plus a password</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Connection required</li> <li>App required</li> <li>"MFA exhaustion"</li> <li>Plus a password</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Smart device needed</li> <li>Not user friendly</li> <li>Limited market availability</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Another "thing"</li> <li>Expensive</li> <li>Loss/replacement</li> <li>Plus a Password (sometimes)</li> </ul>	

### Some MFA is better than no MFA.

### A word about Phishing Resistance...



Phishing is one of the primary means of compromising credentials, both passwords and some MFA types. Phishing resistance authenticators avoid these risks by mitigating

- 1. User manipulation by eliminating the need to manually enter codes or information
- 2. Impersonated websites by binding the authenticator to a specific website, domain, or a communication channel
- 3. Attacker in the Middle through cryptographic protocols and digital signing
- 4. Replay of captured credentials through techniques digital signing and time stamping

Not every application needs phishing resistance, but it should be used for high risk services and users such as system administrators and those with elevated priveleges.

## So what should you do?



# 1. Take a Risk Based Approach

- Know your users
- Know your data
- Know your regulatory environment
- Understand the impact of unauthorized access to you and your customers
- Not every user or application needs the same level of authentication

# 2. Understand your options

- Know what your platforms, services, and IT providers offer
- Know what works for your employees, customers, and other users
- Know your threat and fraud environment
- Consider federation for external users

# 3. Layer your defenses

- Don't just rely on MFA, even phishing resistance
- Leverage platform, service, and IT provider tools to monitor for threats, risks, and events
- Integrate with authorization and access monitoring tools.

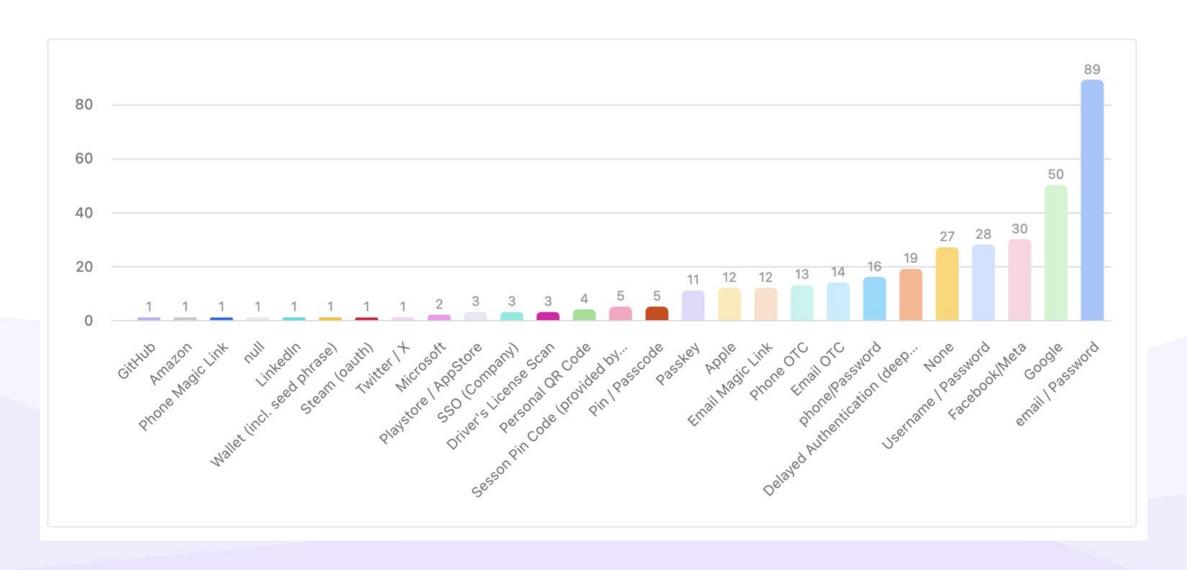


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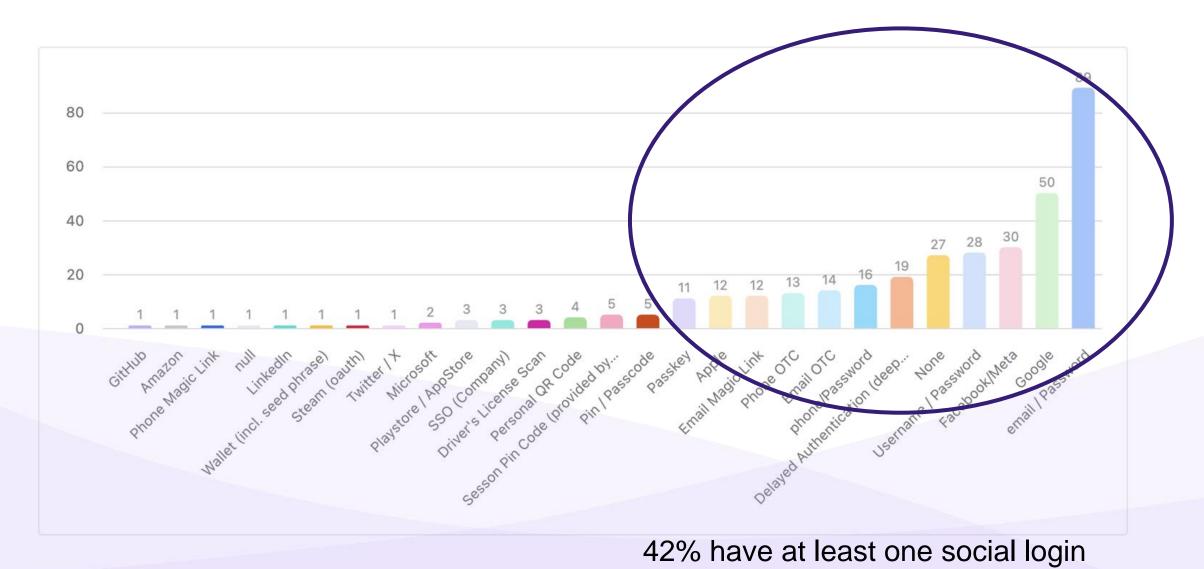
The Password Paradox - Why Passwords persist and how we can mitigate their risk.

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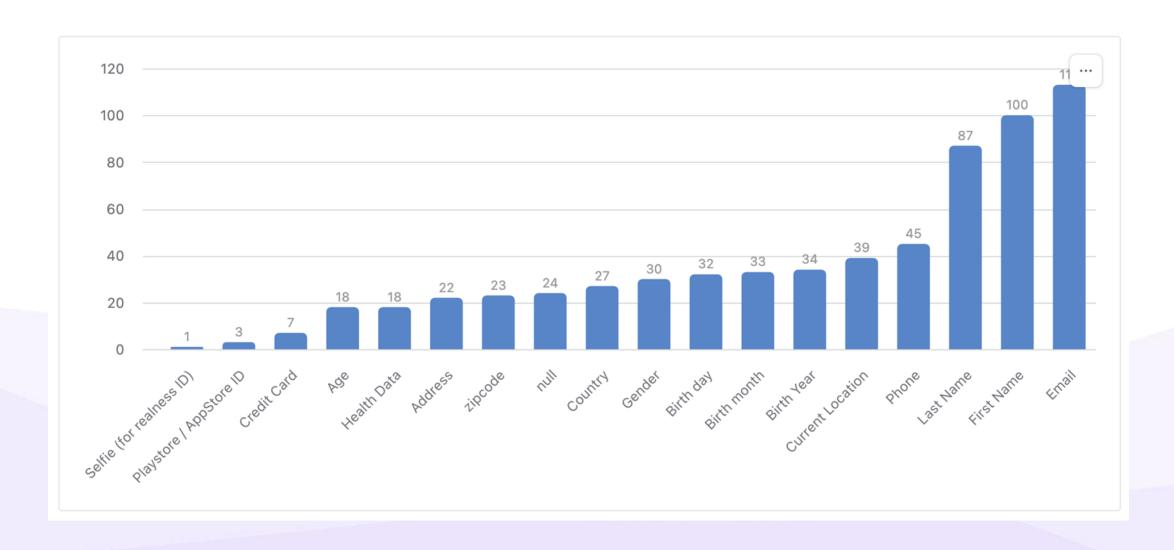
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### Vast majority of Mobile apps collect PII



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- 2. If it ain't broken, don't fix it
- 3. Fear of negative metrics

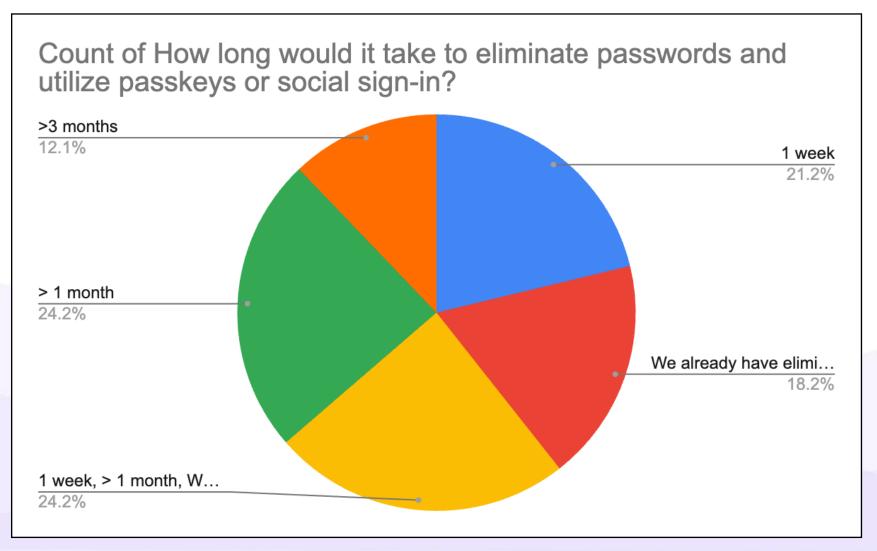
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Over the next few slides, I hope to show that each of these are false.

# Survey of CTOs showed majority of apps COULD get rid of passwords in under a month

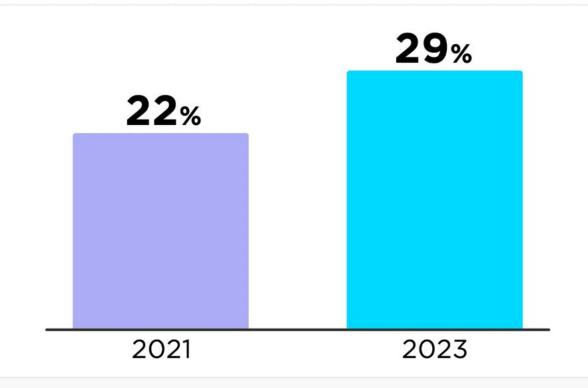


### Increasing threat of account take over



PERCENT WHO'VE HAD AN ACCOUNT TAKEN OVER

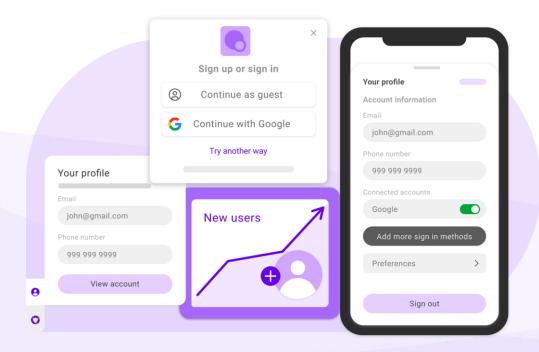
(SOMEONE ACCESSED THEIR ONLINE ACCOUNT BY OBTAINING THEIR SIGN-ON CREDENTIALS)





# Most account takeovers focus on changing email/phone numbers

Wide suite of services that will give a risk score and ownership information over phone numbers and emails.





### Your support team is a threat vector

Support usually has the ability to change recovery email addresses or phone numbers, ensure procedures are in place to make sure the new email is safe.



### Phishing to get in

Attackers will use advanced phishing (one-time code phishing or targeted password phishing) to gain access, then change recovery emails to take over the account



### Compare with known data

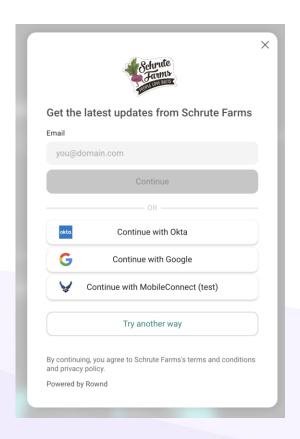
If you already have the data, compare known information with what is listed on a phone record - address, zip-code, and last 4 of SSN to verify users.

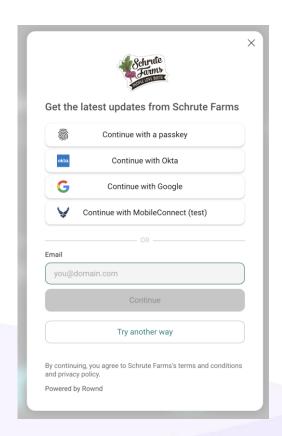


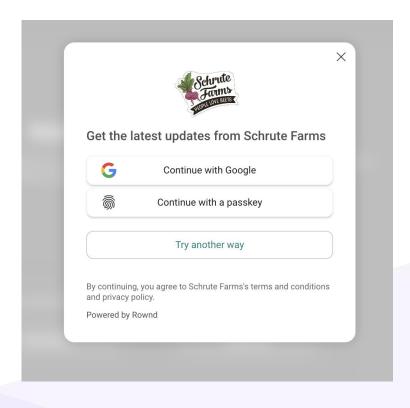
# Encourage users to have multiple recovery methods

Backup email address and phone numbers are useful if an account is locked without putting a burden on support.

### Users will pick the first choice most of the time.

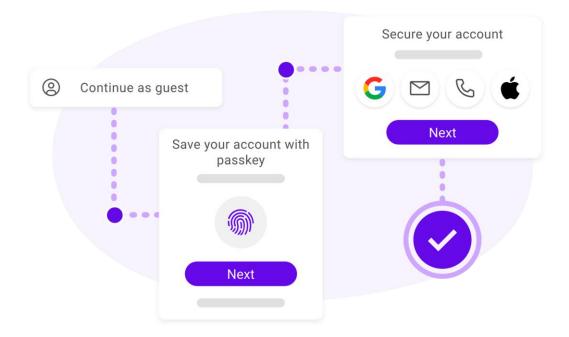






### **Progressive Sign-up**

Start with limited options and then sprinkle in 2FA and other options later in the process.





### **Adaptive by Device**

Understand how each type of device works. Sign-in with Apple is hard on Android, for example.



### **Passive options**

Default to passive options early in the funnel. When authentication is required, ensure safer options are presented first.



### **Progressive sign-up**

Allow users add new sign-up methods over time. Let them add passkey, sign-in with social, etc. Don't make it mandatory right off the bat - or your metrics will hurt.

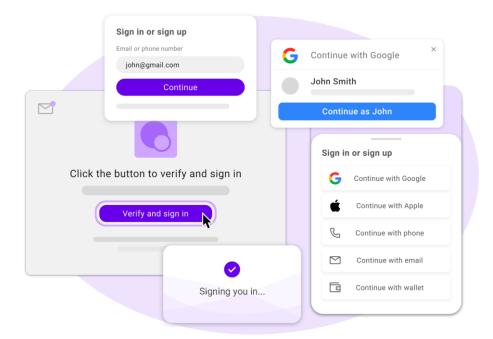


### Iterate and experiment

There is a constant tug of war between the CISO/risk and the growth/product team. Security and ease do not have to be a trade off. Experiment and iterate based on data.

# Passwordless also enables more sign-ins

Convert more users by simplifying your sign-up and sign-in experiences - also make them more secure





### One click options

Add Login with Google and Apple or other social to verify emails faster and with less friction. Note how they work on different devices.



#### **Email and Phone verification**

But don't overly rely on them for authentication due to risks.



### Add Passkeys ASAP

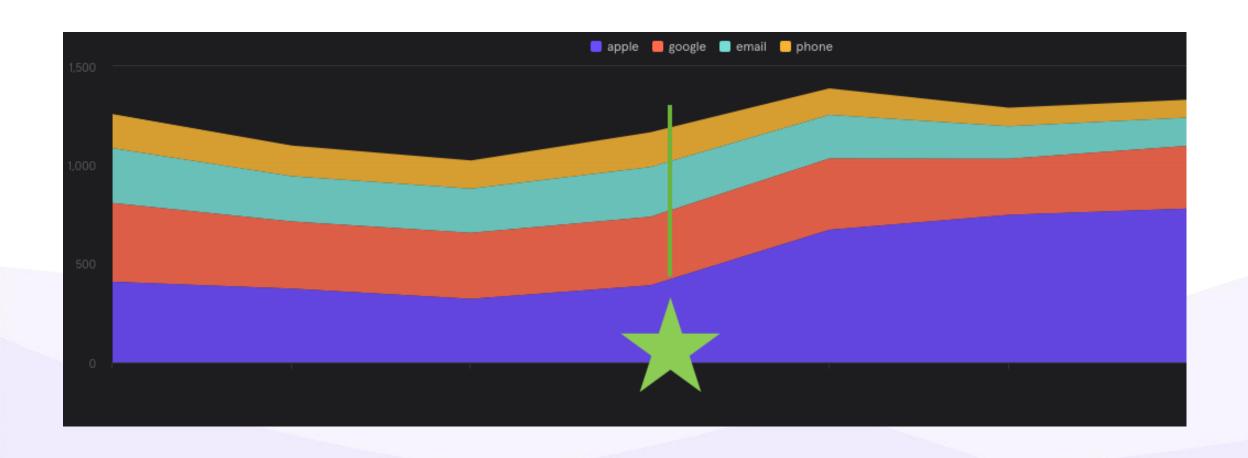
Passkeys are tied to a user's account, meaning they can login even after they switch devices.



### Move sign-up later with "Guest users"

The world's best brands delays sign-up until users have tried the app. "Guest users" can convert to full users but also reduce the threat of account take over

### Case-study: Hiding choices led a 15% increase in sign-up rates

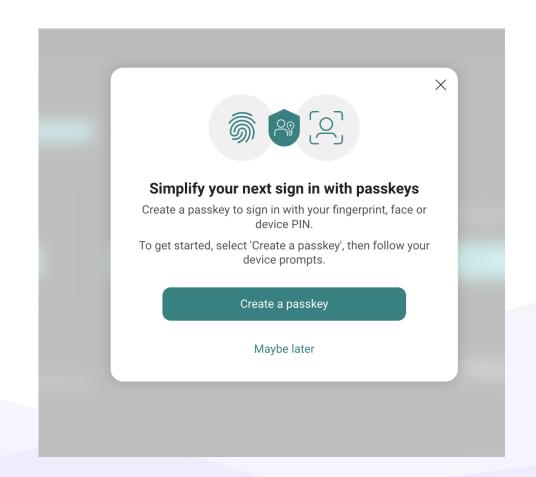


### With Passkeys, optional nudges are key

Pop-up once every few weeks, until a passkey is created.

Let users know what passkeys are prior to kicking off a flow.

Leads to 3x more users with passkeys as secondary factors.



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### Top reasons (from CEOs and CTOs):

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### Things that can be done right now:

- 1. Change order of sign-up options
- 2. Reduce choices, spread out 2FA
- 3. Add passkeys as optional, but be persistent
- 1. Create processes for your support team

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# In Review



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2. Understand your options

3. Layer your defenses

### Resources



- Digital Identity Guidelines
  - Digital Identity Model & Risk Management (SP 800-63-4)
  - Identity Proofing & Enrollment (<u>SP 800-63A-4</u>)
  - Authentication & Authenticators (<u>SP 800-63B-4</u>)
  - Federation & Assertions (<u>SP 800-63C-4</u>)
- Digital Identity Guidelines Implementation Resources (<u>NIST SP 800-63-3 Implementation Resources</u>)
- Digital Identity Mobile Driver's License (<a href="https://www.nccoe.nist.gov/projects/digital-identities-mdl">https://www.nccoe.nist.gov/projects/digital-identities-mdl</a>)
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