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HECVAT 2023 Updates

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Agenda

- Background

- HECVAT Futures Community Survey

- Feedback and wrap-up

BACKGROUND

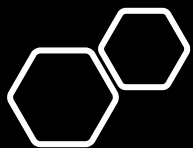INTERNET2

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What the HECVAT?

- History
- Unique collaboration
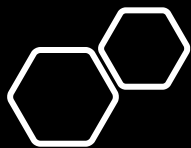- Ongoing working group and governance
- Community engagement

HECVAT Core Team

- Jon Allen, Baylor University (co-chair)
- Josh Callahan, Cal Poly Humboldt
- Charles Escue, Indiana University (co-chair)
- Staff Liaisons from EDUCAUSE, Internet2, and REN-ISAC
  - Nick Lewis, Joe Potchanant, Susan Coleman Snyder

Campuses and Systems Using HECVAT (150+!)

Aims Community College	Florida Atlantic University	Northern Arizona University	University of California
American University	Florida Gulf Coast University	Norwich University	University of California, Davis
Angelo State University	Florida International University	Oakland University	University of California, Riverside
Appalachian State University	Foothill-De Anza Community College District	Ohio Northern University	University of Cincinnati
Art Institute of Chicago	Franklin & Marshall College	Oregon State University	University of Central Florida
Auburn University	Gallaudet University	Pace University	University of Delaware
Bates College	Georgia Institute of Technology	Pacific University Oregon	University of Denver
Baylor University	Griffith University (Australia)	Pennsylvania College of Health Sciences	University of Detroit Mercy
Berry College	Hamilton College	Pepperdine University	University System of New Hampshire
Black Hills State University	Hamline University	Princeton University	University of Idaho
Boston College	Harper College	Radford University	University of Maine System
Bowling Green State University	Hillsborough Community College	Rice University	University of Maryland Baltimore
Brown University	Husson University	Rider University	University of Massachusetts Amherst
Bucknell University	Indiana University	Rochester Institute of Technology	University of Nebraska System
Buena Vista University	Indiana Wesleyan University	Rowan University	University of North Carolina Wilmington
California Baptist University	Institute for Advanced Study	Rutgers University	University of Oregon
California State University, all Campuses and System	Ithaca College	Saint Elizabeth University	University of Portland
Carnegie Mellon University	James Madison University	Saint John's University	University of Rhode Island
Carthage College	John Carroll University	Sam Houston State University	University of Richmond
Central Washington University	Kent State University	San Diego State University	University of Tennessee, Knoxville
Champlain College	Lamar University	Southern Alberta Institute of Technology	University of Texas at Austin
Clark College	Lehigh University	Southeastern Community College	University of Toledo
Clarkson University	LeTourneau University	Springfield College	University of Utah
Colgate University	Linfield College	St. Petersburg College	University of Virginia
College of St. Benedict	Longwood University	State University of New York at New Paltz	Virginia Community College System
Columbus State Community College	Loyola Marymount University	Stony Brook University	Virginia Tech
Cornell University	MacEwan University	Suffolk County Community College	West Texas A&M University
Daemen College	Madison College	Susquehanna University	West Virginia University
Davidson College	Methodist University	Tennessee Tech University	Western Carolina University
Denison University	Metropolitan Community College	Texas A&M University	Western Connecticut State University
DeSales University	Miami University	Texas State University	Western Michigan University
Drake University	Michigan State University	The State University of New York – System Administration	William & Mary
Drexel University	Middle Tennessee State University	Thomas Jefferson University	Williams College
Duke University	Montclair State University	Trinity University (San Antonio, Texas)	Winthrop University
Duquesne University	Montgomery College	Troy University	Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI)
East Carolina University	Moravian University	Truman State University	Yavapai College
Emporia State University	Morgan State University	University of Arizona	York University
Ferris State University	Niagara College	University of Baltimore	

Advantiv Solutions - DecisionDirector for HECVAT

Black Kite - Black Kite

FortifyData - FortifyData Cyber Risk Management Platform

GreyCastle Security - GreyCastle Vendor
                                    Risk Management

Privva - Privva VSA

ProcessBolt – ProcessBolt

Salty Cloud, PBC - Isora

Swivl, Inc - Swivl Cloud

ThirdPartyTrust - ThirdPartyTrust

UpGuard - UpGuard Vendor Risk

Whistic - OnePlatform

Service Providers incorporating HECVAT

Goals

- Future planning for the HECVAT

- Understand how the community is using HECVAT

- Determine highest priorities for the community volunteers

Responses from the community

- Survey sent to many EDUCAUSE Connect Community Groups to get broad representation from campuses
- 96 responses – some partial and duplicates
- Large, small, private, public, community colleges, systems, international, and several service providers
- 30 volunteers to help!

Quick Summary

- 40% don't use the scoring
- 50% don't use the crosswalks
- Several comments about using NIST 800-53 crosswalk
- 77% said they learned how to use HECVAT based on trial and error
- Many new adopters
- "We are a vendor and give preference to customers that will accept the HECVAT. "

# Areas that utilize the HECVAT
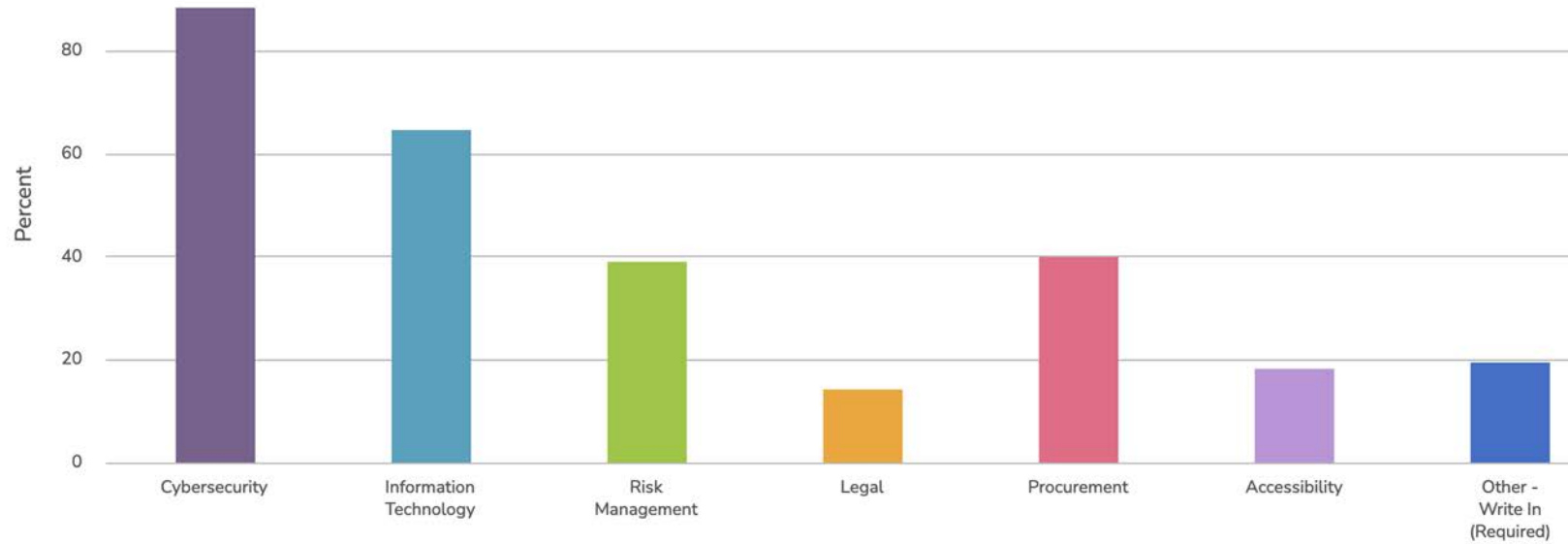
Comments

- HECVAT used primarily in Information security – not surprising!
- Used by many other areas of campuses!
- A few other interesting areas:
  - All, Architecture, BCDRP, Compliance, Privacy(?), RFPs

Ideas for future

- Add Privacy to HECVAT?
- IT Procurement?
- Other areas for HECVAT?
- HECVAT for integrations, app stores, etc?
- More documentation on how other areas could use HECVAT? Training?

Do you require a HECVAT for all vendor assessments?

20.6% Other - Write In (Required)

2.1% Unsure

10.3% High Risk Only

35.1% Yes

32.0% No
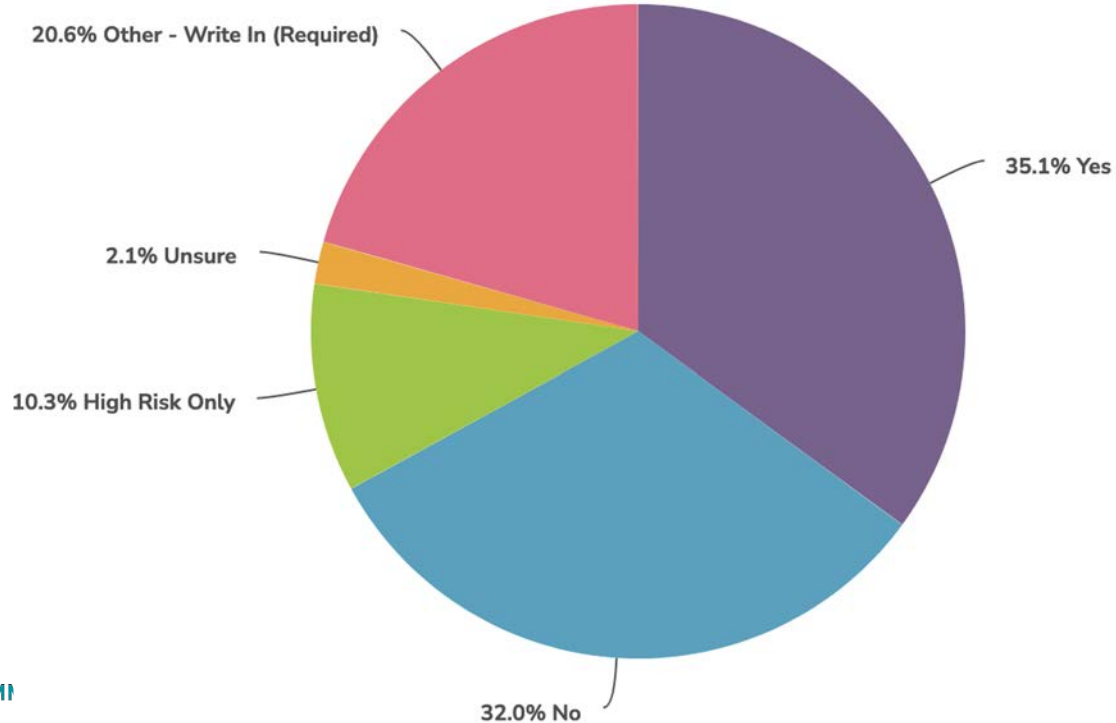
Comments

10% scale their usage based on high risk

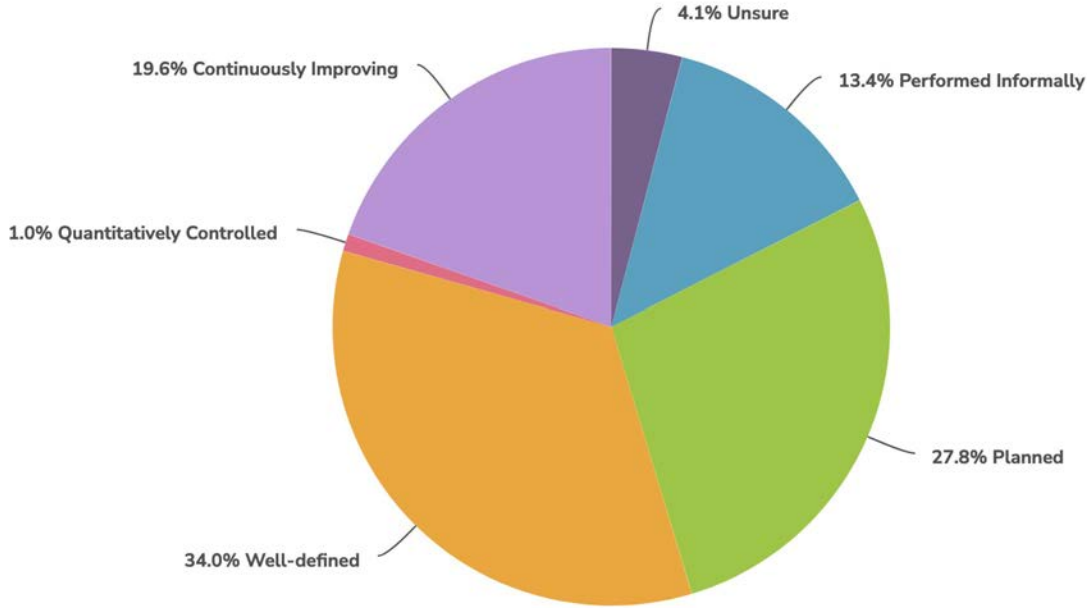Don't know what campuses use for the other vendor assessments

Didn't ask about what processes used or how they scaled?

Ideas for future

- More documentation on how to build a cloud vendor risk management program?

- Find out what's used outside of HECVAT?

- For an additional community resource?

- More sharing of the assessments?

How would you rate the maturity of your HECVAT usage and vendor risk assessment program?

4.1% Unsure

13.4% Performed Informally

19.6% Continuously Improving

27.8% Planned

1.0% Quantitatively Controlled

34.0% Well-defined

Ideas for future

- Do we need to create more for campuses just developing a cloud vendor risk management program?
- Scale HECVAT to size of campus?
- Something more for how to optimize?
- What can we learn from the one respondent that responded quantitatively controlled?

Does your institution use the REN-ISAC Community Broker Index for HECVATs?
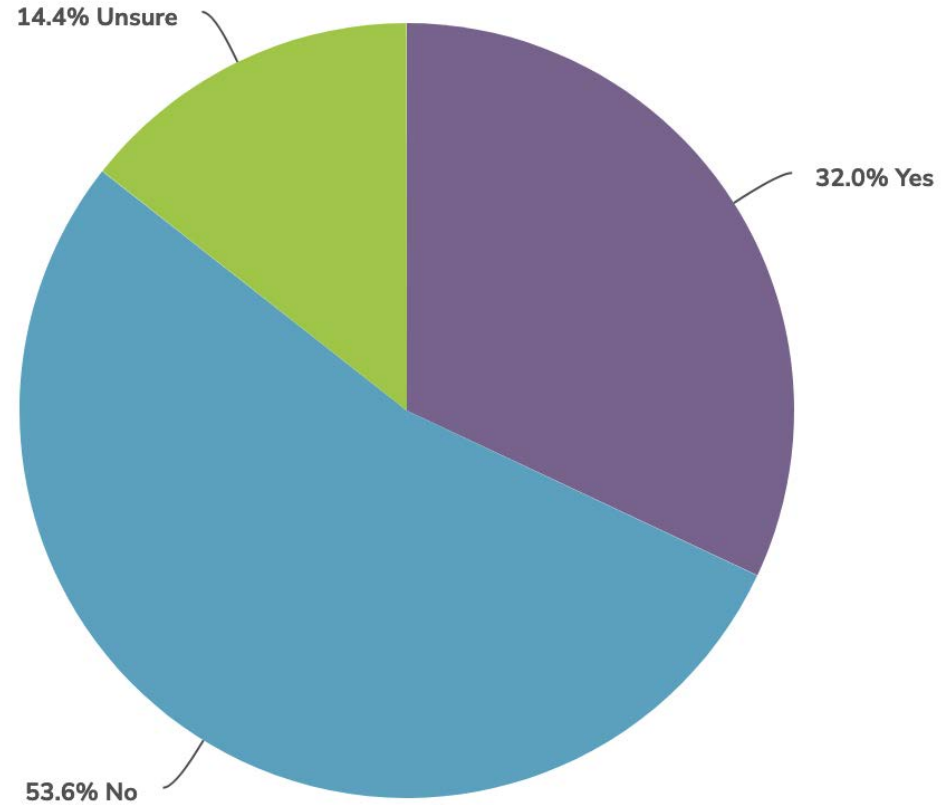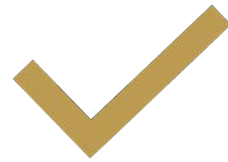
Comments

32% of respondents use the CBI

Comments

- Want more vendors in the CBI
- Great resource
- Were not aware of the resource
- HECVATs are outdated

Ideas for future
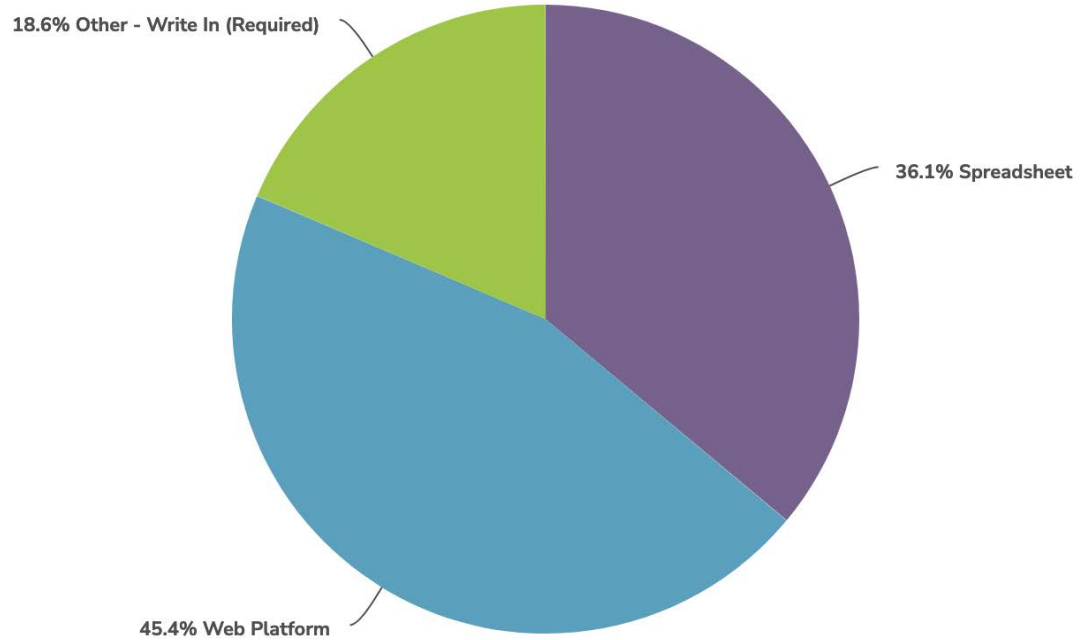
Increase awareness of the resource

Get more Service Providers listed

Build more process around updating the HECVATs included

Spreadsheet or web platform?

18.6% Other - Write In (Required)

36.1% Spreadsheet
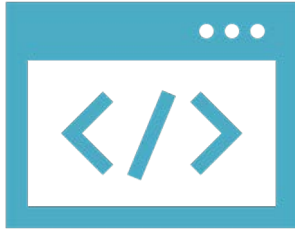
45.4% Web Platform

Comments

- 45% want a web platform
- 36% want a spreadsheet
- Maybe we should have asked if you wanted both?

Ideas for future

Develop a web platform?

Partner with existing provider?

What does your campus need to scale usage of the HECVAT and your vendor risk management program?

Comments

- More than 60% of respondents need additional resources to scale their vendor risk management programs.

- Almost half of the respondents need more training and documentation.

- Almost 1/3 need additional tooling

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HECVAT Interviews/Focus Groups

In February - March 2023, EDUCAUSE interviewed HECVAT core team members, 3 campuses, 3 vendors using HECVAT, and EDUCAUSE/Internet2/REN-ISAC staff for feedback on the current challenges for HECVAT.

Ideas for future

- HECVAT team could partner with a service provider to support scaling HECVAT
- For tooling, training and documentation
- What is unique to the community that we could create to provide the most value to the community?
- If more tooling, training, and documentation were available, would that be sufficient for campuses to scale their programs?

Future Plans in Development

- How to resource future developments
- Most effectively utilize community volunteers
- Better document governance
- Create a long-term road map
- Focus on sustainability

FEEDBACK AND WRAP-UP

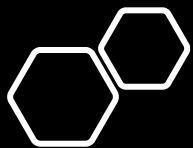INTERNET2

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HECVAT Future Plans

- Taking feedback from survey, other presentations, today, and next couple engagements to develop proposed plan

- Engagement at EDUCAUSE CPPC for additional feedback

- Coordination with potential partners and service providers

Resources and contact

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users-community-group (497+ subscribers!)