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MALWARE DOWN, BUT MORE TARGETED & EVASIVE
9.9 Billion
Ransomware is being used to surgically target victims that are more likely to pay given the sensitive data they possess or funds at their disposal (or both). In 2019, this meant that many of the 187.9 million ransomware attacks were against state, provincial and local governments, as well as education systems.

CRYPTOJACKING CRUMBLES
78%
After the shuttering of Coinhive, the volume of cryptojacking hits dropped 78% during the second half of 2019.

FILELESS MALWARE PEAKS IN Q3
Fileless malware exists exclusively as a memory-based artifact and does not write any part of its malicious activity to the computer’s hard drive, making it very resistant to forensic strategies. Volume peaked in the third quarter, with more than 570,000 attacks recorded by SonicWall in September 2019 alone.

ENCRYPTED THREATS CONTINUE STEADY RISE
27%
In 2019, SonicWall observed a 27% increase in malware sent over TLS/SSL traffic in 2019.

IOT ATTACK VOLUME RISING
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