Why Patching?

Global technology research firm Gartner’s most recent annual survey identified managing security, identity, and access as the top three priorities. These three priorities are essential to addressing threats, ensuring the privacy of sensitive data, and adhering to regulatory requirements.

Patching, the act of applying fixes and updates to applications and operating systems, is essential to securing your organization's software assets. Security-related patches and updates are typically released by vendors to address vulnerabilities in their products.

Threats you may face:

- **Threats to Business Continuity:** Potential losses from increased downtime, data loss, or service outages.
- **Costs of Inadequate Security:** Increased costs for addressing security breaches, regulatory fines, and lost revenue from stolen or compromised data.
- **Brand Damage:** Negative reputation and loss of trust among customers and stakeholders.

Benefits of Patching

There are plenty of reasons to keep your software patched:

1. **To maintain strong software security:** A proactive software security program requires ongoing application and system updates.
2. **To prevent unforeseen damage:** A full, integrated suite of security and support offerings from third-party, non-Oracle software support vendors.
3. **To ensure compliance:** Oracle Support provides levels of capability and security that are far above those offered by third-party, non-Oracle software support vendors.

Why is a Trusted Partner Crucial?

For many organizations, Oracle offers long-term support with its Premier Support package.

- **Ongoing security assurance efforts:** Oracle continues to keep Oracle software up to date and patched, ensuring that vulnerabilities are addressed quickly and securely.
- **After-sales support:** Oracle Premier Support includes ongoing support for Oracle software after the initial purchase or license period.
- **Comprehensive support offerings:** Oracle Premier Support includes comprehensive support offerings, including security, identity, and privacy services.
- **Compliance with regulatory requirements:** Oracle Premier Support ensures that customers are in compliance with regulatory requirements, such as PCI DSS.
- **Vendor support and expertise:** Oracle Premier Support includes vendor support and expertise to help with software deployment and maintenance.
- **Training and education:** Oracle Premier Support includes training and education on how to use Oracle software effectively.

What Is Your Software Missing with Third-Party Support?

- **Security flaws:** Third-party vendors may not apply software security updates, leaving your software vulnerable.
- **Data breaches:** Third-party vendors may not apply data breaches in a timely manner, leaving your data exposed.
- **License compliance:** Third-party vendors may not ensure license compliance, leading to potential legal issues.
- **Regulatory compliance:** Third-party vendors may not ensure regulatory compliance, leading to potential legal issues.

Get Strong Security with Oracle

Oracle offers a comprehensive suite of security solutions, including:

- **Security and identity management:** Oracle offers a range of security and identity management solutions, including identity and access management, to help organizations manage and secure their users and applications.
- **Security monitoring and analytics:** Oracle provides security monitoring and analytics tools, such as Oracle Cloud Identity and Access Management, to help organizations detect and respond to security threats.
- **Security automation:** Oracle offers security automation tools, such as Oracle Cloud Identity and Access Management, to help organizations automate security tasks and reduce the risk of human error.
- **Security compliance:** Oracle offers security compliance tools, such as Oracle Cloud Identity and Access Management, to help organizations ensure compliance with regulatory standards.