

# Case Study: Gannett Co., Inc.

## Introduction

This case study of Gannett Co., Inc. is based on a June 2014 survey of Cisco Stealthwatch customers by TechValidate, a 3rd-party research service.

# Challenges

- Purchased Cisco because it is differentiated from competitive products in the following areas:
  - Scalability up to 3 million flows per second
  - User centric monitoring

# Use Case

- Uses Stealthwatch with:
  - Firewalls
  - IDS / IPS
- Doing the following with Stealthwatch by Cisco deployment:
  - Monitoring a large, globally distributed network
  - Monitoring a centralized network with a large number of satellite or retail locations

### Results

- The following are the greatest benefits of the internal visibility provided by Cisco Stealthwatch:
  - Earliest detection of advanced threats (APTs, malware, etc.)
  - Continuous internal monitoring
- Agrees that Stealthwatch's user/host-level information is critical for the following:
  - Security
  - Compliance
- Rated Stealthwatch's effectiveness in the following areas:
  - Detecting insider threats / Suspicious behavior: extremely effective
  - Detecting malware / zero-day attacks: extremely effective
- Rated how critical Cisco StealthWatch is for the following:
  - Monitoring visibility: very critical
  - Improving security: very critical
  - Managing cyber security: very critical
  - Responding to cyber threats: very critical
- Selected Stealthwatch by Cisco over the following vendors:
  - NetScout
  - Plixer

#### Company Profile

Company: Gannett Co., Inc.

Company Size: Fortune 500

Industry: Media & Entertainment

#### **About Cisco** Stealthwatch

With Stealthwatch, organizations can improve both network security and performance, and avoid the high costs associated with downtime, security breaches and other issues.

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