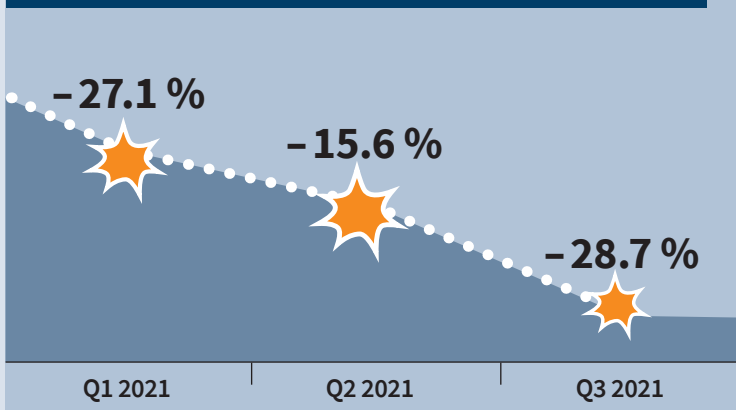


Seasonal decline due to holiday season

The threat situation in the third quarter of 2021



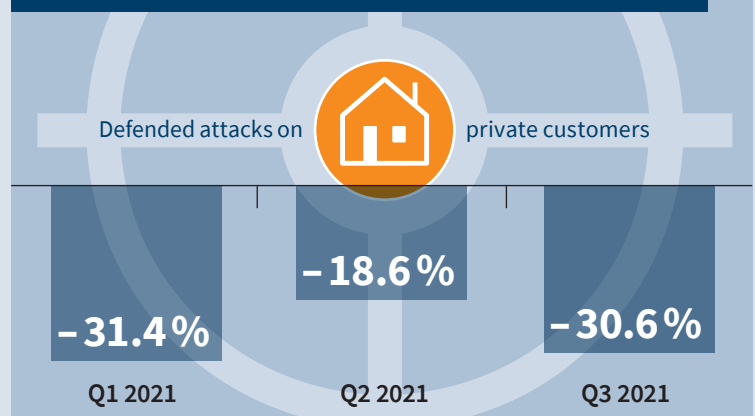
The number of averted attack attempts has **decreased** in the third quarter of 2021 and is now back to the level before the Corona pandemic began for the first time. One reason for this: the increased return to the office.

At the same time, attackers are currently increasingly exploiting vulnerabilities in **publicly available services** to compromise networks.

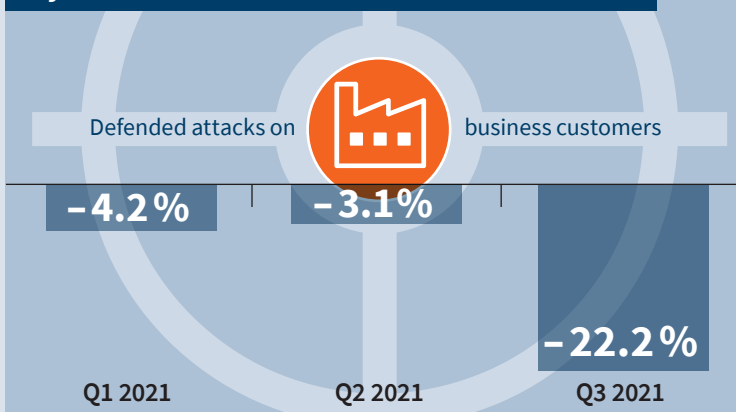
Overall, the number of attacks averted in the **private environment** has declined more than in the **corporate** environment. The decline continues in the third quarter.

One reason for this: companies are **more rewarding targets**. Here, the profit in the case of a successful attack is significantly higher.

Return to the office: Private users less in focus



Cyber criminals also take a summer break



After a slight decline in the first half of the year, the number of averted **attacks on companies** fell by 22 percent.

The decline in the summer months is **traditionally seasonally stronger**, because not only employees but also cybercriminals take a holiday.