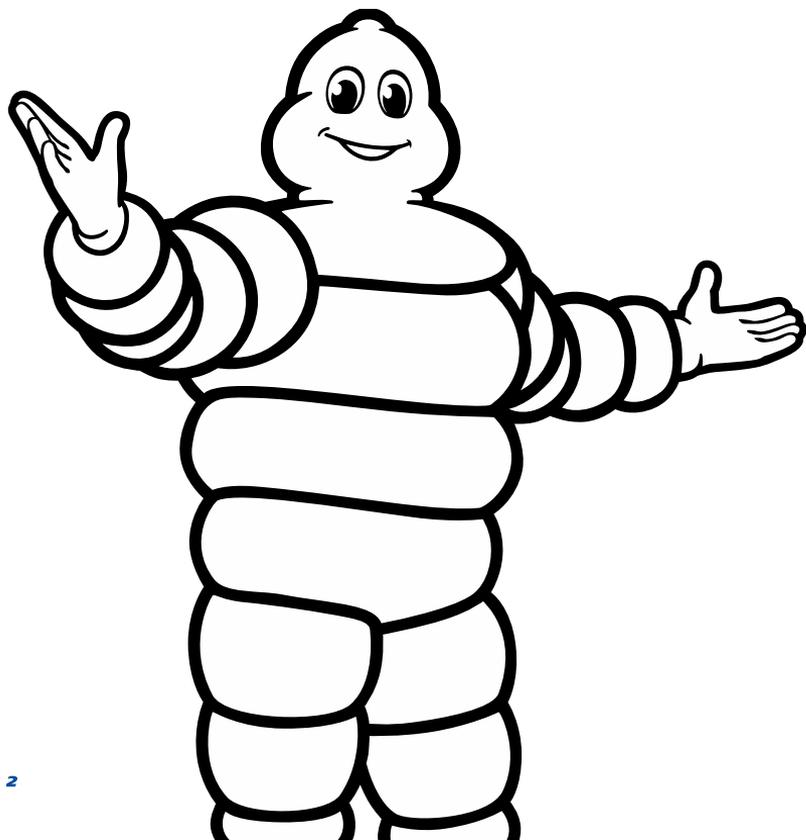


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DATABASE PLATFORM (DBPF)

- C'est une SQUAD dans le service Infrastructure composée d'experts
- Définition des normes et standards
- PostgreSQL, Oracle, MongoDB et Snowflake
- Gestion du cycle de vie des produits (création => obsolescence)
- Aide à la décision
- Support aux équipes
- Automatisation



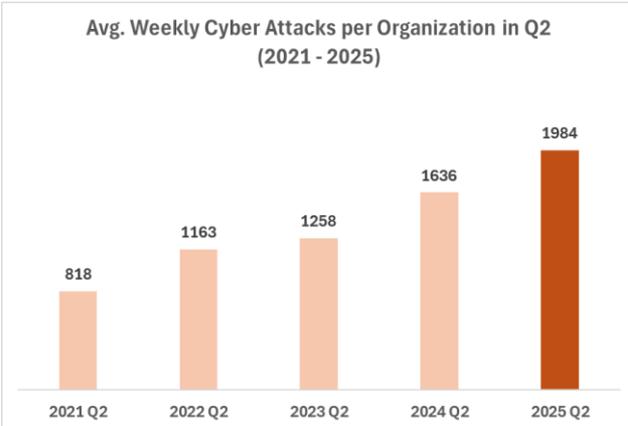
POSTGRESQL DANS LA DBPF

- EDB pour les instances On-Prem et Azure Flexible Server pour le communautaire
- PostgreSQL est la cible pour les nouveaux projets
- Migrations Oracle => PostgreSQL
- Migrations des modèles de données et des applications
- Expertise



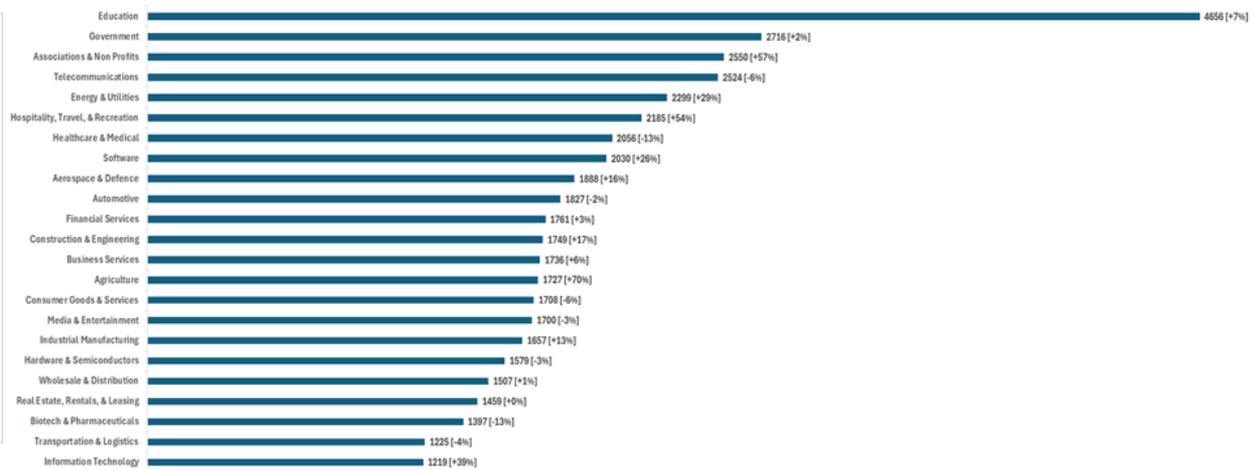
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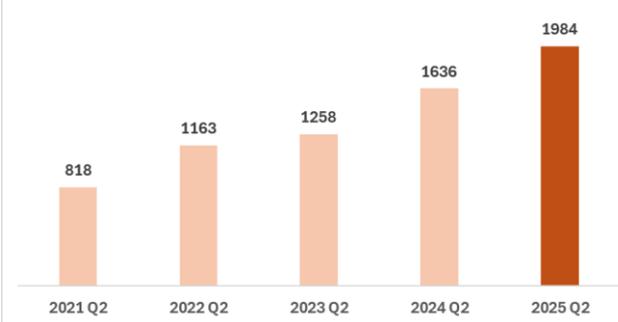
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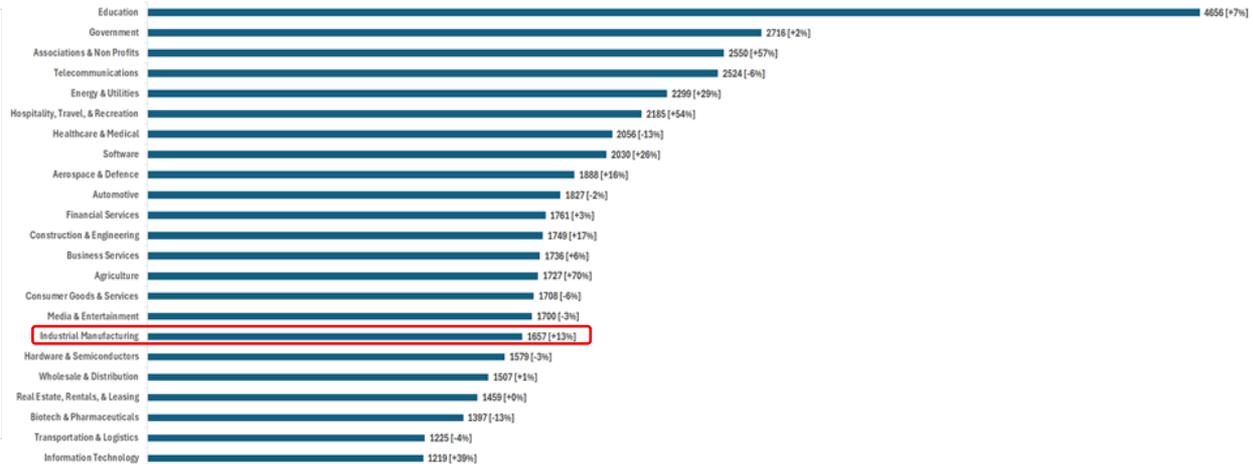
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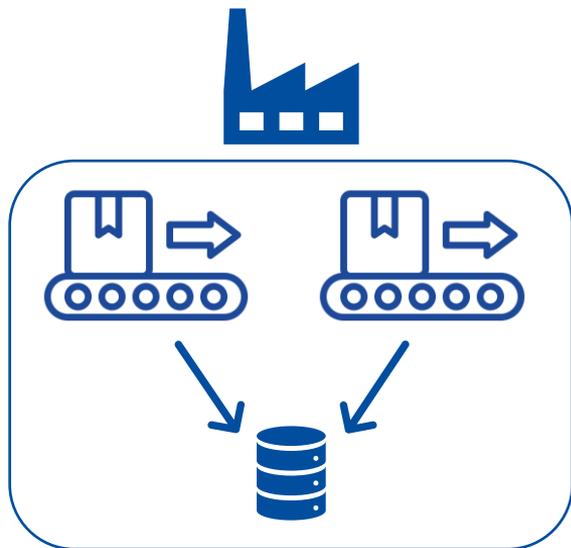
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COMMENT AMÉLIORER LA SÉCURITÉ DES BASES DE DONNÉES POSTGRESQL?



INTRODUCTION AUX STANDARDS CIS



- Organisation à but non lucratif
- Elabore des recommandations et des standards pour renforcer la sécurité des systèmes informatiques et réseaux
- Recommandations élaborées par des experts de la cybersécurité et une communauté collaborative
- Reconnus à l'international comme normes de sécurité pour la protection des SI et des données contre les cyberattaques





LANCEMENT ET INTERPRÉTATION DES BENCHMARKS



CIS-CAT® Pro

Solution sous licence
proposée par CIS
Workbench

- **Facilité de lancement de scan sur 1 DB**
- **Configuration complexe pour automatisation**



tenable

Solution sous
licence d'analyse de sécurité
de systèmes on premise

- **Facilité de configuration pour scan multiple DB et multiple version**
- **Ne convient pas à un environnement Cloud**



KloudDB

Solution open source
offrant une partie des
benchmarks PostgreSQL

- **Solution gratuite**
- **Ne contient qu'un nombre limité de benchmarks**



**orca
security**

Solution sous
licence d'analyse de sécurité
de systèmes cloud

- **Facilité de configuration pour scan multiple DB et multiple version**
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DÉMONSTRATION AVEC CIS CAT PRO

- 1 machine Linux
- 1 machine Windows
- 1 base PostgreSQL EDB 14
- CIS CAT Pro Assessor



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Assessment options



Report Output Options

Format

HTML ? CSV ? Text ? ARF XML ? JSON ?

Report Destination Folder

?

Result Destination POST URL

? Ignore SSL Certificate Warnings

Example: <https://YOUR-SERVER/CCPD/api/reports/upload>

Logging Options

?

Configuration Output Options

By default, assessor will create an encrypted configuration XML file (enc_gui-config.xml) based on entered/loaded information.

To access the information at a future assessment, please select "Save configuration file". We highly recommend the encryption option, which allows a user-specified password.

Save configuration file

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1 Installation and Patches	0	1	1	0	5	0	0.0	2.0	0%
2 Directory and File Permissions	0	0	0	0	4	0	0.0	0.0	0%
3 Logging And Auditing	17	8	0	0	1	0	17.0	25.0	68%
3.1 PostgreSQL Logging	17	7	0	0	1	0	17.0	24.0	71%
3.1.1 Logging Rationale	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0%
4 User Access and Authorization	1	1	0	0	7	0	1.0	2.0	50%
5 Connection and Login	0	0	0	0	6	0	0.0	0.0	0%
6 PostgreSQL Settings	1	3	1	0	6	0	1.0	5.0	20%
7 Replication	0	0	1	0	4	0	0.0	1.0	0%
8 Special Configuration Considerations	1	0	0	0	2	0	1.0	1.0	100%
Total	20	13	3	0	35	0	20.0	36.0	56%

Score des recommandations
automatiques

Recommandations manuelles

Score n'incluant pas les
recommandations manuelles



ANALYSE DES RÉSULTATS

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Note: Actual scores are subject to rounding errors. The sum of these values may not result in the exact overall score.
 The 'Exc' column only applies to Exceptions that are generated using CIS-CAT Pro Dashboard and is not utilized by CIS-CAT Pro Assessor.

Profiles

This benchmark contains 2 profiles. The **Level 1 - PostgreSQL on Linux** profile was used for this assessment.

Title	Description
Level 1 - PostgreSQL	Items in this profile apply to PostgreSQL 14 and intend to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> be practical and prudent; provide a clear security benefit; and not inhibit the utility of the technology beyond acceptable means. <p>Note: The intent of this profile is to include checks that can be assessed by remotely connecting to PostgreSQL. Therefore, file system-related checks are not contained in this profile.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Show Profile XML</p>
Level 1 - PostgreSQL on Linux	Items in this profile apply to PostgreSQL 14 running on Linux and intend to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> be practical and prudent; provide a clear security benefit; and not inhibit the utility of the technology beyond acceptable means. <p style="text-align: right;">Show Profile XML</p>

Assessment Results

Display Only Essential Hygiene (CIS Critical Security Controls V8- IG-1) Display Only Failures

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w	Benchmark Item	Result
1	Installation and Patches	
	1.1 Ensure packages are obtained from authorized repositories	Manual
	1.2 Install only required packages	Manual
1.0	1.3 Ensure systemd Service Files Are Enabled	Fail



2.3 Disable PostgreSQL Command History

Manual

Description:

On Linux/UNIX, the PostgreSQL client logs most interactive statements to a history file. The default PostgreSQL history file is named `.psql_history` in the user's home directory.

The PostgreSQL command history should be disabled.

Rationale:

Disabling the PostgreSQL command history reduces the probability of exposing sensitive information, such as passwords, encryption keys, or sensitive data.

Remediation:

For each OS user on the PostgreSQL server, perform the following steps to implement this setting:

1. Remove `.psql_history` if it exists.

```
rm -f ~<user>/psql_history || true
```

2. Use either of the techniques below to prevent it from being created again:

1. Set the HISTFILE variable to `/dev/null` in `~<user>/.psqlrc`

```
cat << EOF >> ~<user>/psqlrc \set HISTFILE /dev/null EOF
```

2. Create `~<user>/psql_history` as a symbolic to `/dev/null`.

```
ln -s /dev/null $HOME/.psql_history
```

3. Set the `PSQL_HISTORY` variable for all users:

```
sudo echo 'PSQL_HISTORY=/dev/null' >> /etc/environment
```

[Show Rule Result XML](#)

References:

- URL: <https://www.postgresql.org/docs/current/app-psql.html#APP-PSQL-VARIABLES-HISTFILE>

CIS Critical Security Controls V8.0:

- Control 3: Data Protection: -- [More](#)
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Plugin ID	Name	Family	Severity ▾	VPR	EPSS (...)	Total	Host Total
1001683	3.1.4 Ensure the log file destination directory is set correctly	N/A	HIGH			84	84
1001684	3.1.5 Ensure the filename pattern for log files is set correctly	N/A	HIGH			84	84
1001773	CIS_PostgreSQL_14_v 1.2.0_L1_DB.audit from CIS PostgreSQL 14 Bench...	N/A	MEDIUM			87	87
1001786	CIS_PostgreSQL_15_v1.1.0_L1_Database.audit from CIS PostgreSQL 15 B...	N/A	MEDIUM			87	87
1001790	CIS_PostgreSQL_16_v1.0.0_L1_Database.audit from CIS PostgreSQL 16 B...	N/A	MEDIUM			87	87
1001792	CIS_PostgreSQL_13_v1.2.0_L1_DB.audit from CIS PostgreSQL 13 Benchm...	N/A	MEDIUM			87	87
1001681	3.1.2 Ensure the log destinations are set correctly	N/A	INFO			84	84
1001682	3.1.3 Ensure the logging collector is enabled	N/A	INFO			84	84
1001686	3.1.7 Ensure 'log_truncate_on_rotation' is enabled	N/A	INFO			84	84
1001687	3.1.8 Ensure the maximum log file lifetime is set correctly	N/A	INFO			84	84





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Plugin ID	Plugin Name	Family	Severity	VPR	EPS...	IP Address	NetBIOS	DNS	MAC Address	Port	Protocol	Repositor
1001685	3.1.6 Ensure the lo...	N/A	INFO							0	TCP	Individual €
1001685	3.1.6 Ensure the lo...	N/A	INFO							0	TCP	Individual €
1001685	3.1.6 Ensure the lo...	N/A	HIGH							0	TCP	Individual €
1001685	3.1.6 Ensure the lo...	N/A	INFO							0	TCP	Individual €
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Vulnerability Detail List

Vulnerabilities Web App Scanning Queries Events Mobile



3.1.9 Ensure the maximum log file size is set correctly (1001688)

VULNERABILITY HIGH

automatic log file rotation when files become too large, which could put log data at increased risk of loss (unless age-based rotation is configured).

See Also

LINKS:
[cisecurity.org](https://www.cisecurity.org)

Policy Value

SQL_POLICY
sql_request: show log_rotation_size
sql_expect: STRING - 1GB

Output

RESULT: OUTPUT:

FAILED

```
$445/no_name:  
["0"]
```

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Assessment Configuration

NESSUS WEB TESTS: N/A
THOROUGH TESTS: N/A
SCAN ACCURACY: N/A

Reference Information

800-53: AU-4
800-53RS: AU-4
CSCV7: 6.4
CSCV8: 8.3
CSF: PR_DS-4
CSF: PR_PT-1
GDPR: 32.1.b
HIPAA: 164.306(a)(1)
HIPAA: 164.312(b)
ITSG-33: AU-4
LEVEL: 1A
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ANALYSE DES RÉSULTATS

Les solutions de Benchmark permettent donc de faire une première analyse du score de sécurité

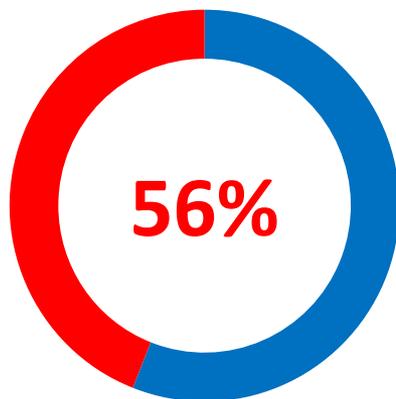
Cependant, dans le cas de PostgreSQL, une analyse manuelle est nécessaire pour les recommandations n'étant pas vérifiées automatiquement

Cette analyse manuelle permettra donc d'obtenir le score exact de sécurité de vos bases de données



RETOUR À NOTRE EXEMPLE

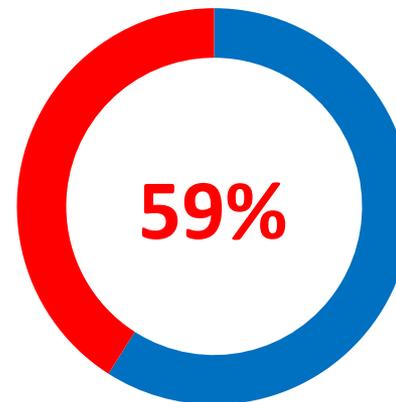
**Score de sécurité donné
par le benchmark**



33 recommandations



**Score de sécurité final incluant les
recommandations à analyse
manuelle**



68 recommandations



ÉVALUATION DES RECOMMANDATIONS

Identifier les recommandations non pertinentes à mettre en place (ex. Contraintes métier, architecture spécifique)



Identifier leurs impacts sur les users et l'accès aux données



Documenter et faire des éventuelles demandes de dérogation au service sécurité



PRIORISATION

Pourquoi prioriser et mettre en place les recommandations en plusieurs étapes?

- *Augmenter plus rapidement le score de sécurité*
- *Faciliter l'analyse si des erreurs apparaissent*
- *Permet de diviser les tâches entre plusieurs personnes pour un meilleur partage des compétences*

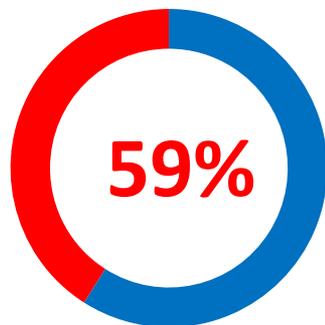
Comment a été réalisé la priorisation?

- *Répondre en priorité aux MGSR (Michelin Global Security Rules)*
- *Mettre en place les recommandations faciles et rapides à mettre en place*
- *Travailler sur les recommandations plus complexes ou incluant des plugins*



SCORE CIBLE DE NOTRE EXEMPLE

Score actuel



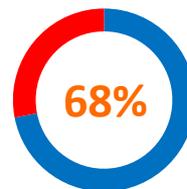
40/68 recommandations
PASS

Sur les 28 recommandations
fail

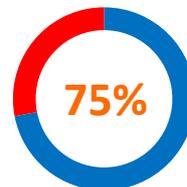
19 ont été identifiées
comme pouvant être mises
en place



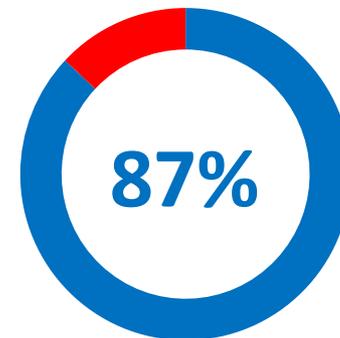
Etape 1:
6 recommandations



Etape 2:
5 recommandations



Score final



59/68
recommandations PASS



MISE EN OEUVRE SUR L'ENSEMBLE DES BASES

Pour chaque palier de recommandations, 5 étapes:

1

Mettre à jour les scripts de déploiement de nouvelles bases de données

2

Créer un script (yml) de mise à jour des paramètres sur les bases de données déjà en place

3

Lancer ce script sur les bases de pré prod

4

Vérifier qu'aucun problème ne soit détecté

5

Puis le lancer sur les bases de production



SUR LE LONG TERME

- 1 version majeure par an
- Nouvelles recommandations CIS régulières
- Mettre en place des tests de compliance mensuels (Tenable)



POUR CONCLURE



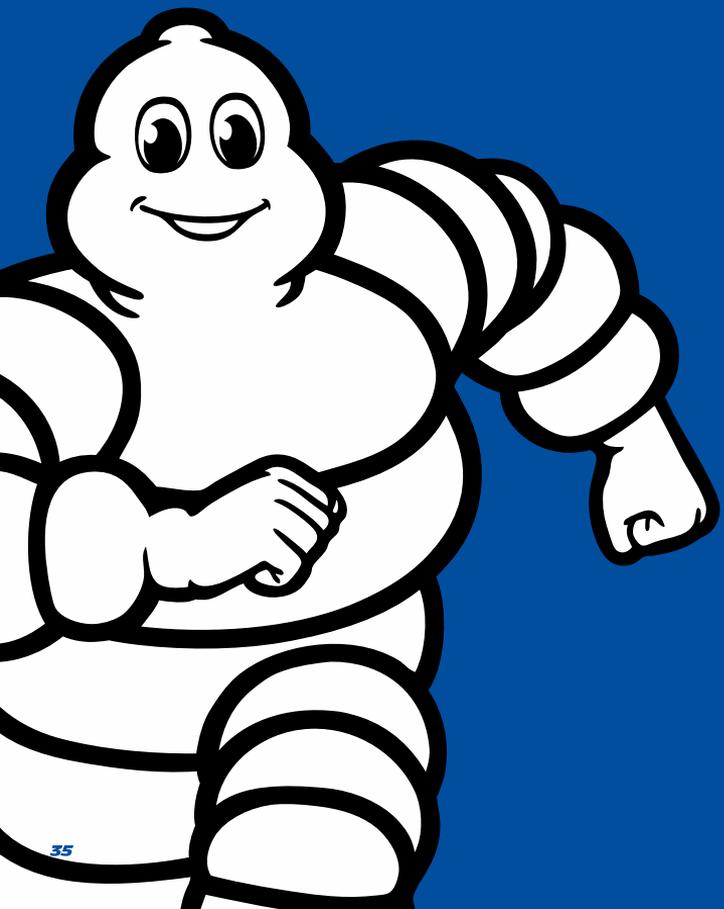


POUR CONCLURE



- Les CIS sont un bon moyen pour améliorer la sécurité des bases de données PostgreSQL
- Leurs nombreuses recommandations offrent un large spectre d'améliorations
- Les CIS peuvent être utilisés pour améliorer la sécurité d'autres solutions (serveurs, réseau, d'autres solutions de bases de données)





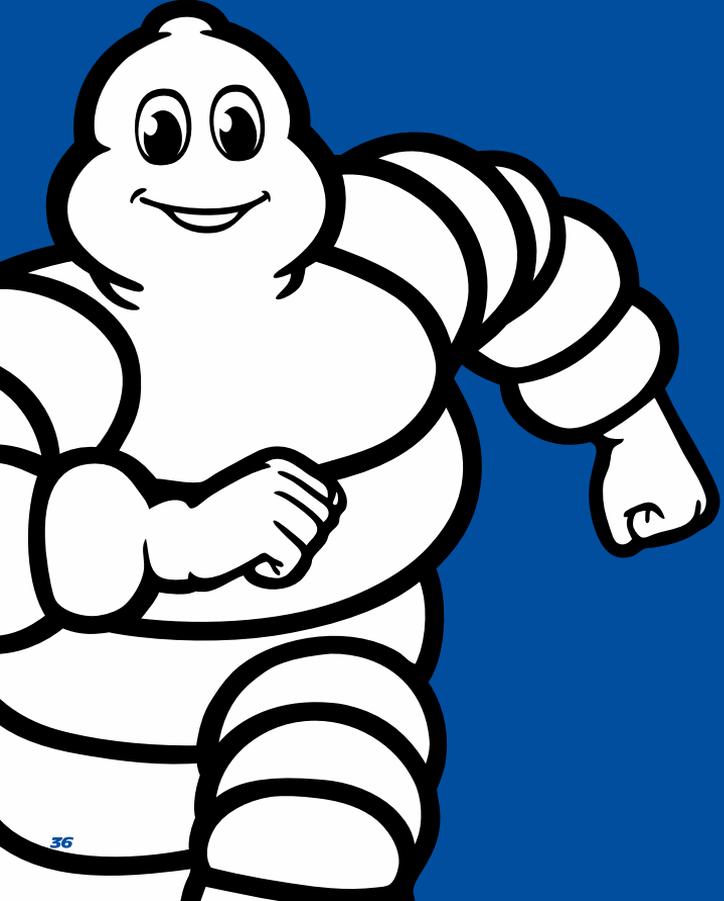
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