

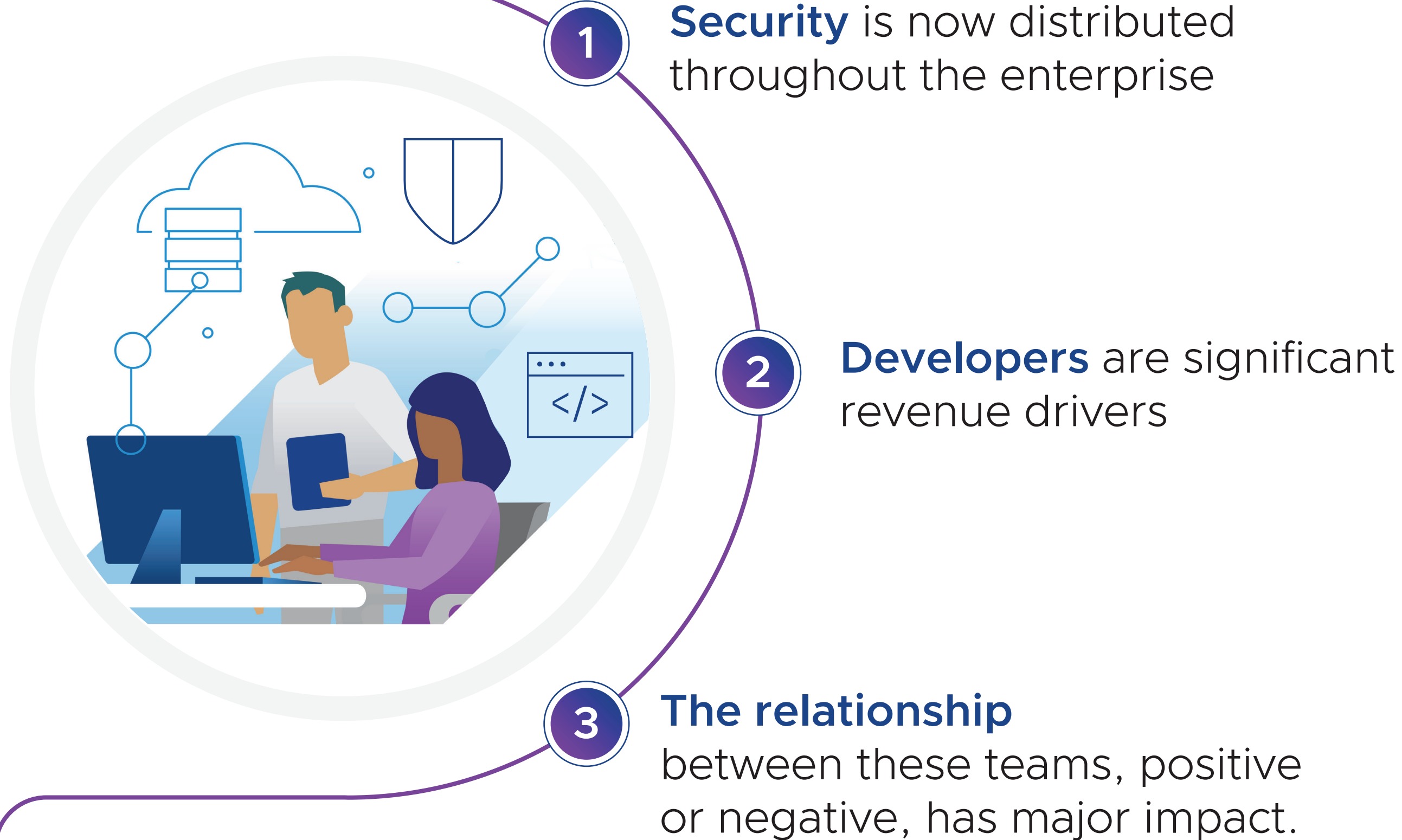
The Payoff of Improving the Dev and Security Relationship

How to release more secure apps, faster



VMware commissioned Forrester Consulting to evaluate the relationship between IT, security, and development teams and discovered hard data on the soft topic of relationship.

3 Truths



Finding #1

Developers are less involved in security planning than they believe to be.

When asked if development was involved in security strategy planning:



+ This indicates that developers are even less involved in security strategy planning than they think they are, deteriorating trust between the teams.

Recommendation

Involve developers in security planning early and often. It's not if, it's right now.

Finding #2

Development and security don't have the same language.

+ **1 in 3 (36.5%)** decision-makers reported their organizations' teams are not effectively collaborating to strengthen security and development relationships.

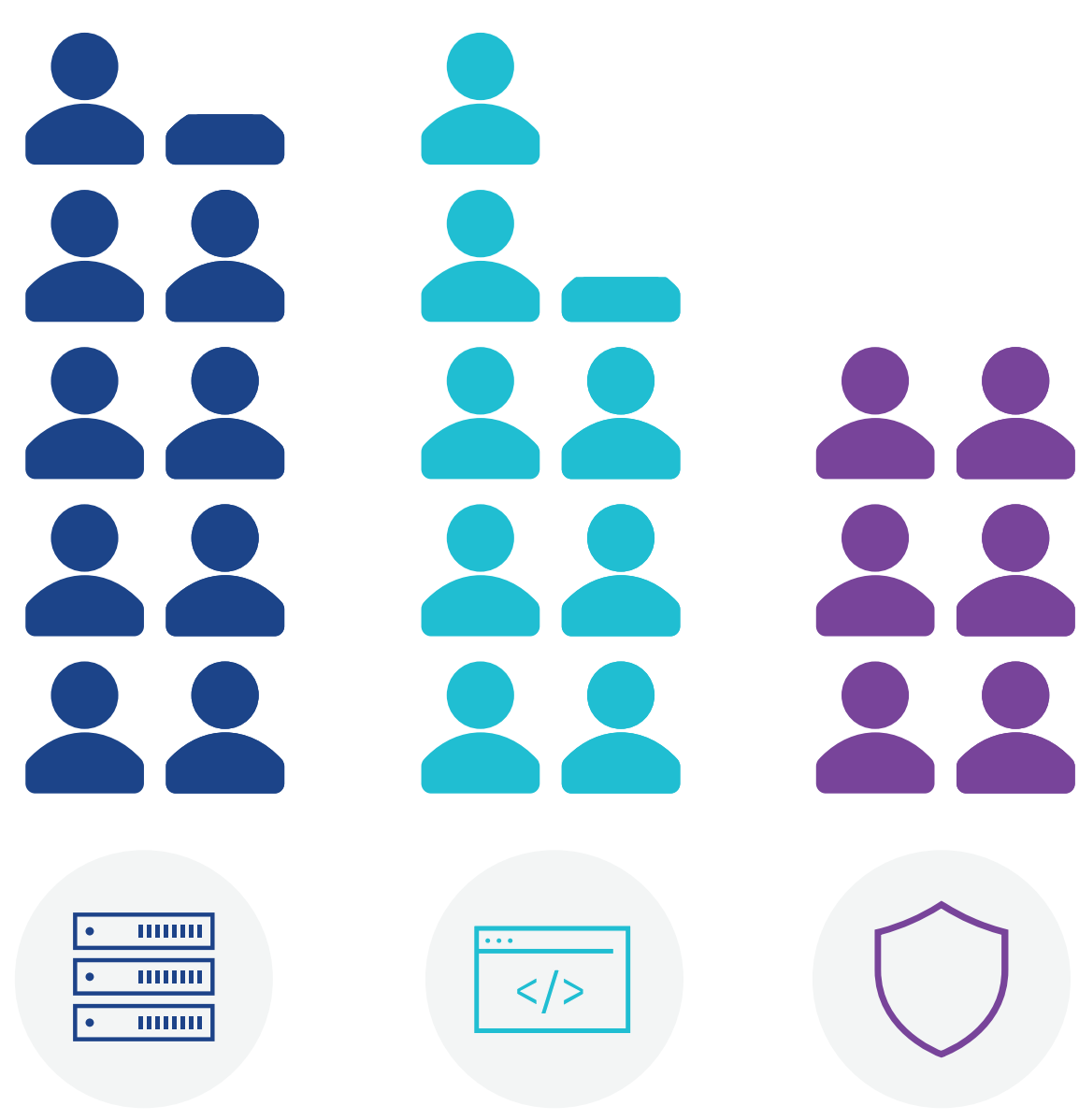


Recommendation

Use math as a common language by creating shared KPIs as a starting point.

Finding #3

Security is outmatched in employee number, highlighting the need for automation.



+ The average number of employees on **IT teams (97)** and **development teams (86)** far outweighed **security teams (59)**.

Recommendation

Automate security to improve scalability. Development teams specialize in automation, which is something the security team needs most.

The Payoff

Security and development teams with **positive** relationships can complete the software development life cycle **five business days faster** than teams with negative relationships.



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And start releasing more secure apps, faster!

Source: 'Bridging The Developer And Security Divide' A commissioned study conducted by Forrester Consulting on behalf of VMware, September 2021