

Key **Considerations**

The decision between buying a Managed Detection and Response (MDR) solution and building a Security Operations Center (SOC) could significantly affect your organization's overall cybersecurity posture and operational efficiency.

> carefully considered before making such a decision, including:

There are key factors that need to be











ask yourself before buying vs. building.

Why MDR? MDR leverages advanced technology and expert

oversight to protect organizations 24/7 by maintaining constant vigilance identifying and neutralizing threats before they cause harm. Its proactive approach ensures security against evolving cyber threats. Whether managed internally or through an MDR provider, having dedicated around-the-clock protection is essential for safeguarding against cyber dangers.



per year¹ Average cost to run an in-house SOC

\$2.86 million

MDR Provider

Equipment, software, and

In-House SOC

Expect times of 30 seconds to triage and 15 minutes to remediate threats.

Fixed cost for software and services.

Response **Times**

Initial

Expenses

May take days to detect threats.

Maintenance, staffing, and

training expenses.

setup expenses.

Free up internal resources for core

business activities.

Subscription-based

model, no hidden costs.

Opportunity Costs

Time

Efficiency

Ongoing

Costs

Diverted focus from main business goals.

Time-consuming setup,

delays in threat detection.

90-minute deployment, immediate threat detection.

Cost-effective solution in the long run.

Long-Term

Savings

Security Team

Expertise

Larger investment leads to higher total costs.

Internal team requires ongoing training

and retention investments.

threats, and best practices.

As the business grows, more

investments in recruiting, training,

and tools are required.

Ready-made team of cybersecurity experts who manage security operations.

Available

Cybersecurity

Technology

Resources are needed to stay updated on vulnerabilities, emerging

Flexible pricing allows for adjusting

security resources to scale.

Technology evolves to meet

current threats through updates

and innovations.

Scalability

IT Stack

an MDR solution?

business need?

need to spend their time?

Ask Yourself:

What costs must I consider when buying vs. building

What expertise is required for a team, and where do they



What technology do I have, and what will I need to stay updated with current threats?

What scalability and flexibility does my growing



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Illuminate Threats and Eliminate Risks

To help you make informed decisions in this dynamic landscape, The Ultimate

Learn More

Buyer's Guide to Managed Detection and Response will walk you through five

key steps to find the solution that best suits your organization's needs.

1. https://www.securitymagazine.com/articles/98722-building-a-security-operations-center-soc-on-a-budget