

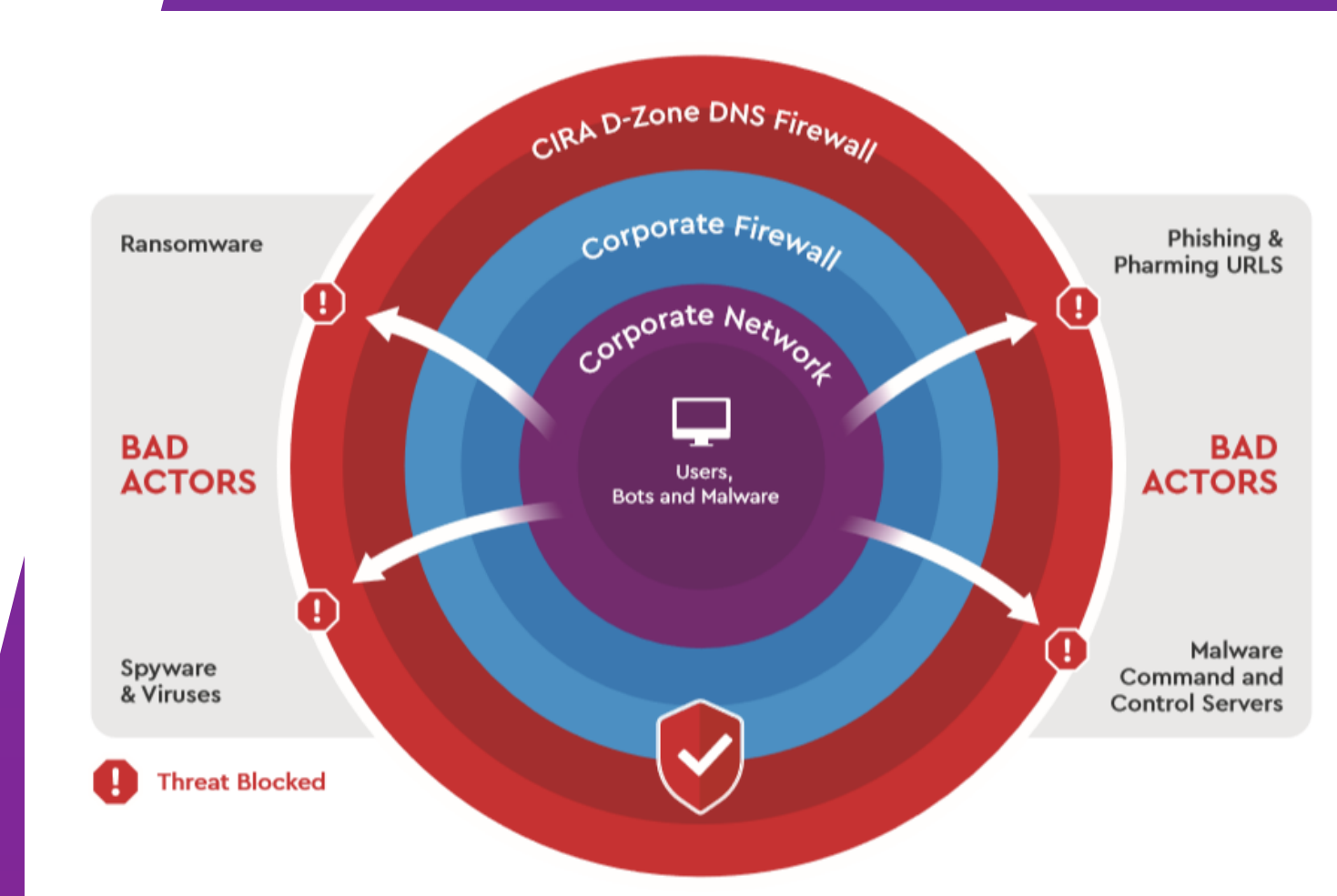
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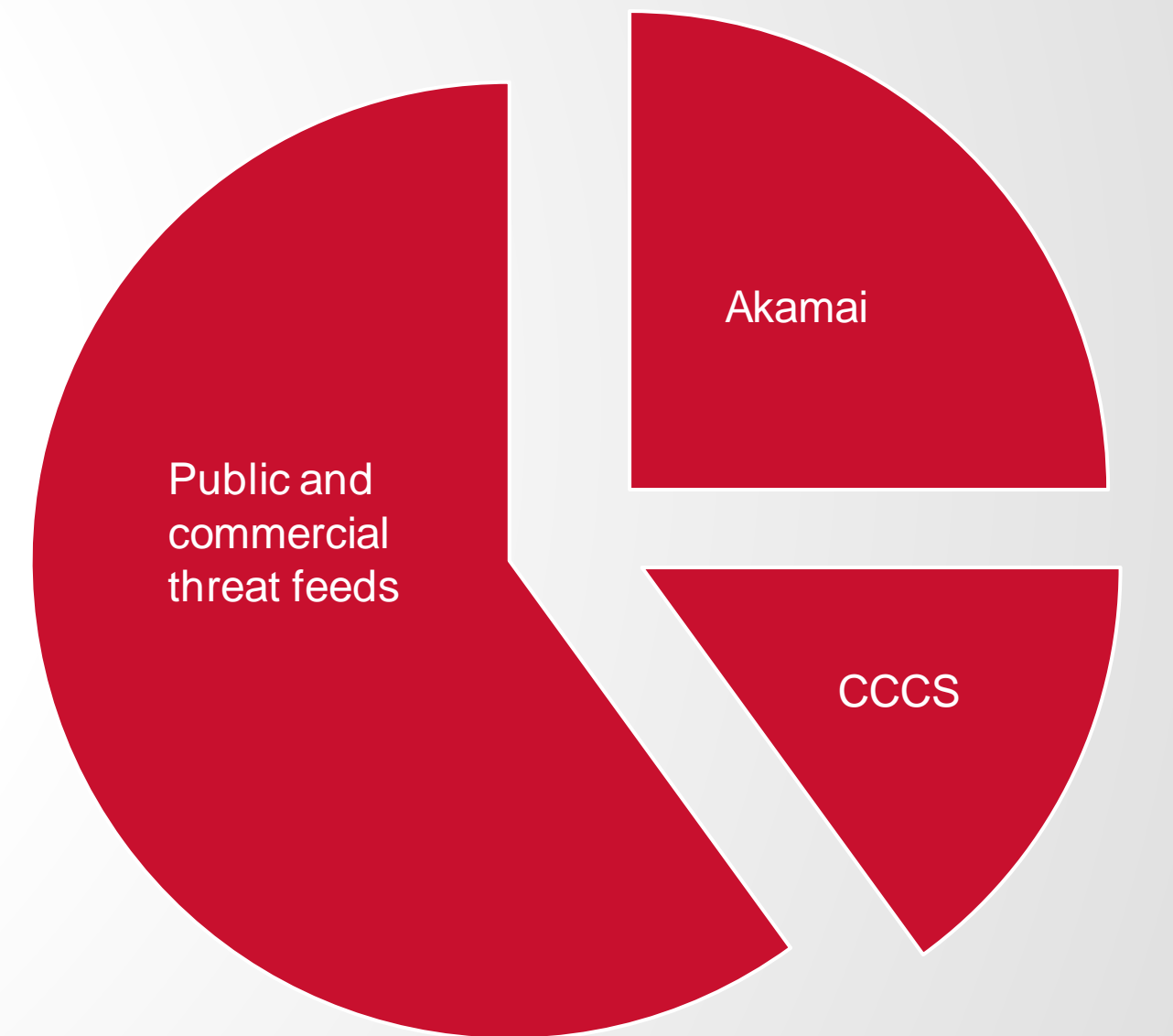
- ✓ A layer outside the organization that provides highly effective malware, phishing and botnet protection
- ✓ Already deployed at 57 research and education\* organizations in Canada
- ✓ Over 2 million Canadian users across public sectors



# CIRA DNS Firewall is delivering

High performance DNS delivering 5x higher block rate than seen in other public sector peers.

- ✓ Top quality DNS answering 13 billion queries per month with a **median response time of 18 ms** – better than Google 888\*.
- ✓ On average more than **100,000 new threats are added** to the block list daily
- ✓ NREN networks saw **1.3M threats blocked last month** or 2 blocks/network user\*\*



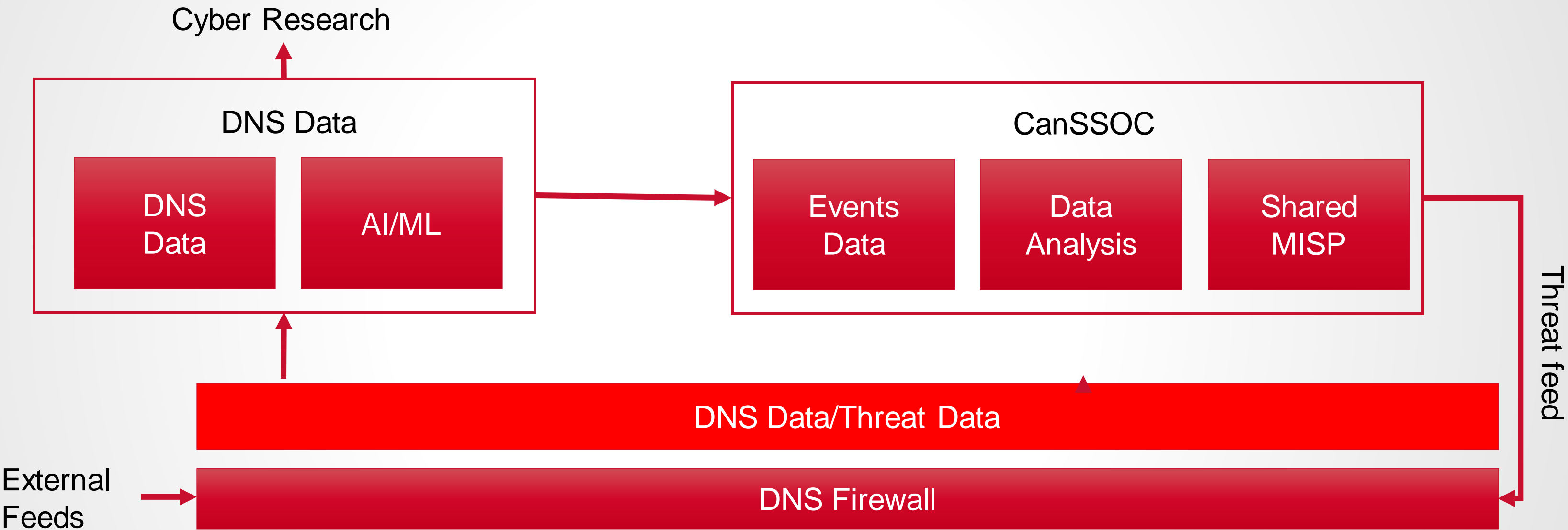
Sources of threat blocking

\* Tests performed using RIPE Atlas from Canadian servers

\*\*COVID-times data. For comparison, pre-COVID was just under 3 blocks/user in higher-ed, 5 in K-12, and 1.6 in municipalities.

# National DNS Firewall Vision

WWW.CIRA.CA



(founding CanSSOC members shown)



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### Architecture Highlights

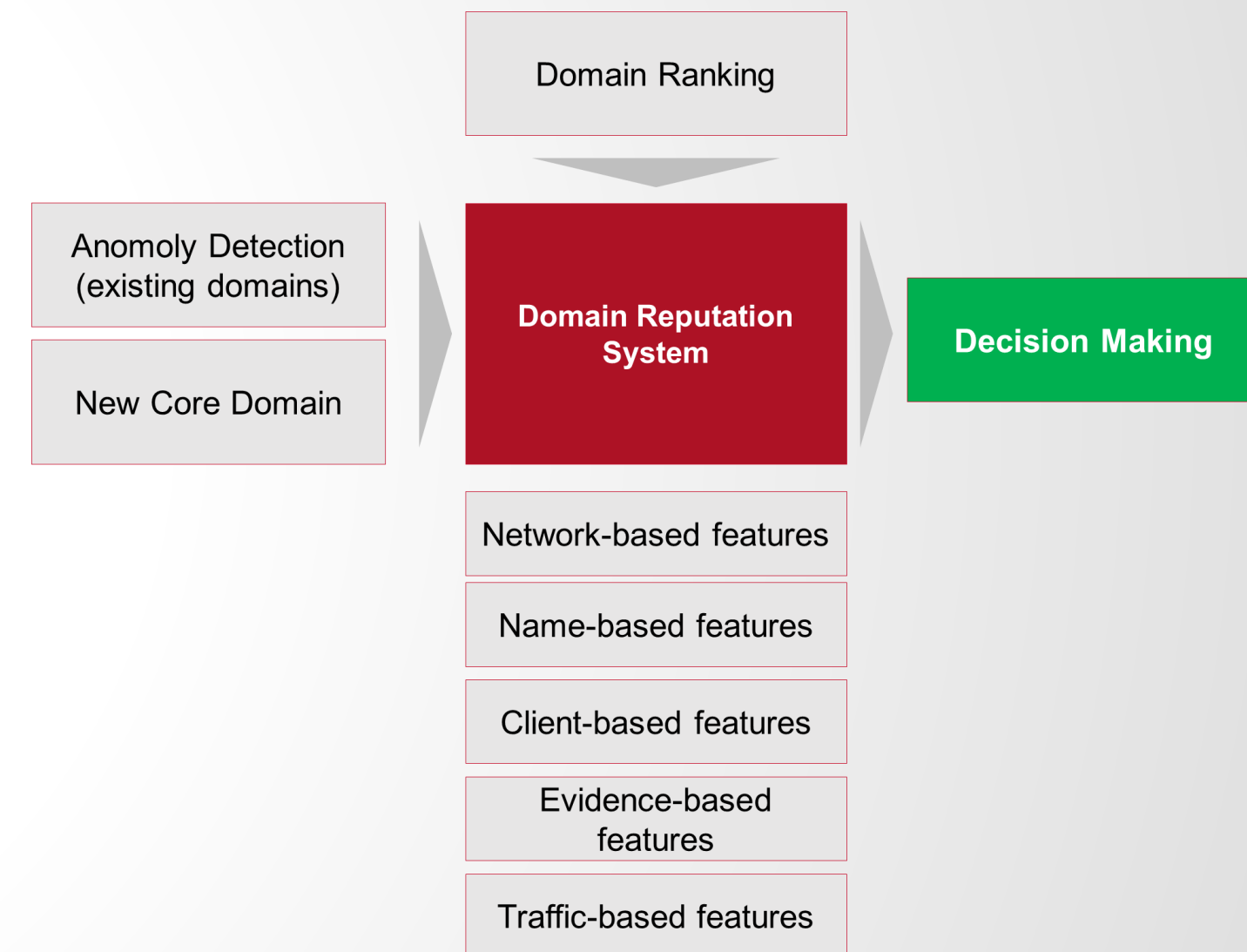
- ✓ Two anycast clouds
- ✓ Server redundancy at nodes
- ✓ Network redundancy
- ✓ Peered to Canadian IXPs
- ✓ 18 ms median DNS response time seen in NREN customers
- ✓ 13 billion queries answered per month across the service



# Defence in depth

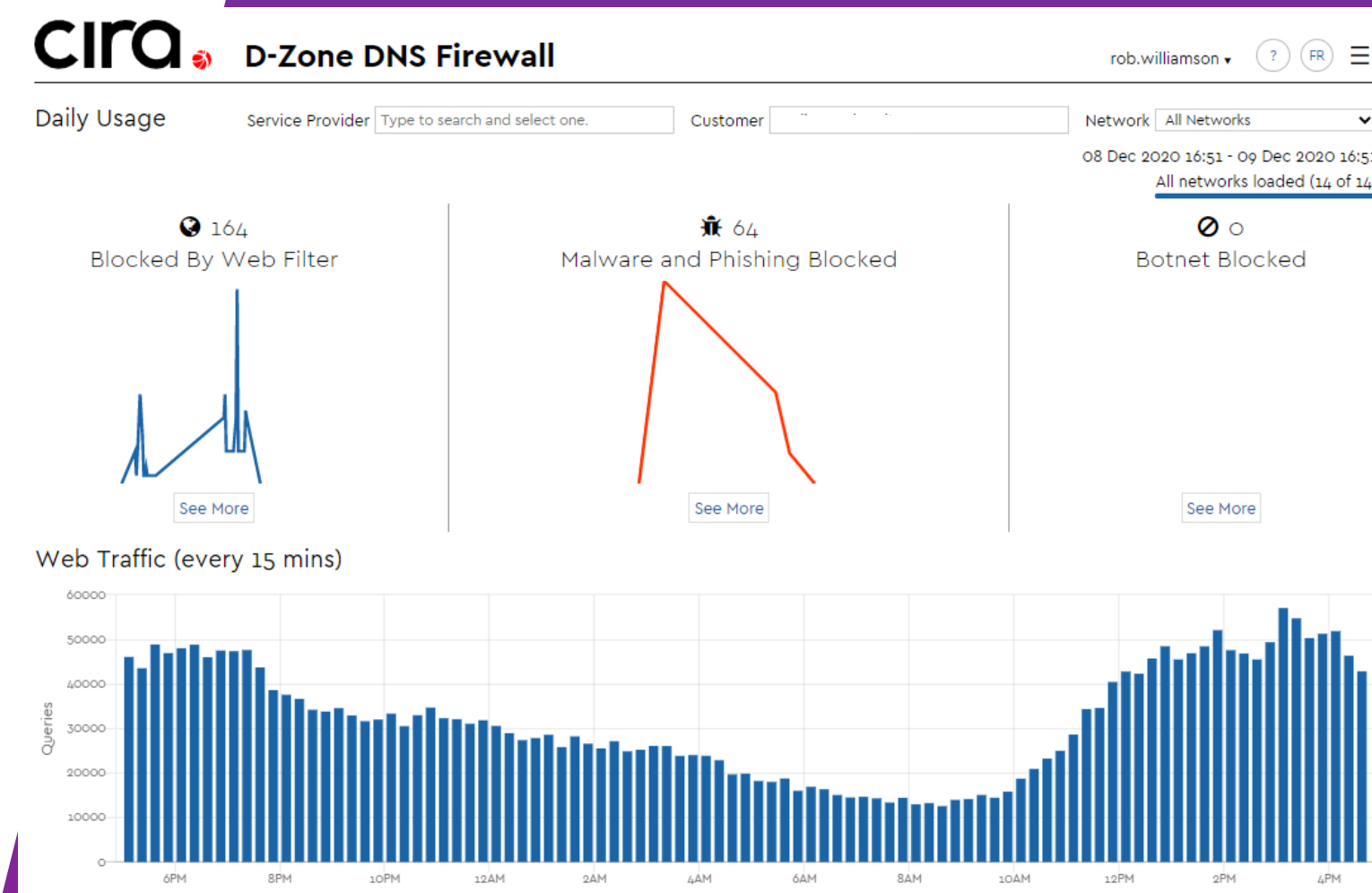
Greater than 40% of threat detection is exclusive to the CIRA DNS Firewall platform. 60% are from public and commercial feeds.

- 1 million QPS are analyzed on a global network of DNS servers
- Time from first query to the block list is < 14 mins
- On average more than 100,000 net new threats are added to the list daily



# Features

- ✓ Manage multiple networks from a single portal
- ✓ Over 60 custom content filter categories plus whitelist and blacklist management
- ✓ Customizable block pages for content and malware threats
- ✓ Full API for further integration of reporting



# Configuration

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### Get access

- 1. Complete CANARIE OCCA form.
- 2. Book onboarding meeting OR simply request your portal access.

<https://www.cira.ca/cybersecurity-services/canarie-cybersecurity-initiatives-program>

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### Configure network profiles

- 1. Add network IP addresses
- 2. Customize block pages
- 3. Configure content filtering and upload any block lists already maintained and enable CanSSOC\*

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### Forward DNS queries

- 1. Turn off or set cache to short time
- 2. IPv4 163.219.51.2  
169.219.50.2
- IPv6 2620:10a:8054::2  
2620:10a:8055::2
- DoH <https://dns.cira.ca/dns-query>

