



# INFRASTRUCTURE SURVEY TOOL



## BACKGROUND

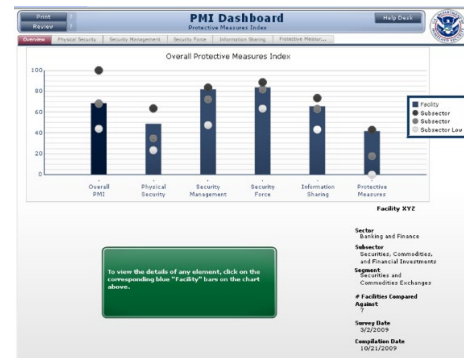
The Infrastructure Survey Tool (IST) is a voluntary, web-based assessment that Protective Security Advisors conduct in coordination with facilities owners and operators to identify and document the overall security and resilience of the facility.

## PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) conducts an IST on facilities that request the service; the IST focuses on the following areas:

- Identifying facilities' physical security, security forces, security management, information sharing, protective measures, and dependencies related to preparedness, mitigation, response, resilience, and recovery;
- Identifying security areas of possible improvements;
- Creating facility protective and resilience measures indices that show a comparison to similar facilities that have completed ISTs; and
- Tracking progress toward improving critical infrastructure security.

CISA provides the assessment information that the IST collects and analyzes to owners and operators via both a written report and the IST Dashboard, which is accessed through a secure web portal. The IST Dashboard graphically displays the collected data, which comprises weighted scores on a variety of factors for specific critical infrastructure. The Dashboard compares the data against similar facilities and informs protective measures, resilience planning, and resource allocation. In addition to providing a sector security and resilience overview, the Dashboard highlights areas of potential concern and feature options to view the impact of potential enhancements to protection and resilience measures.



## OUTCOMES

The written report developed from the IST data contains a description of the facility and its possible vulnerabilities as well as options to mitigate identified vulnerabilities. The information is eligible for protection from disclosure under the [Protected Critical Infrastructure Information Program](#), and the Department of Homeland Security uses this information for steady-state analysis, special-event planning, and incident management.

## CONTACT US

Please visit [cisa.gov](https://www.cisa.gov) for more information on CISA's mission and the role that critical infrastructure vulnerability assessments, including the IST, play in infrastructure security and resilience.

For specific information on ISTs, please contact [ISDAssessments@cisa.dhs.gov](mailto:ISDAssessments@cisa.dhs.gov).