HOW DO PERPETRATORS CONCEAL THEIR FRAUDS?

Examining the methods fraudsters use to conceal their crimes can assist organizations in more effectively detecting and preventing similar schemes moving forward.

TOP 5 CONCEALMENT METHODS USED BY FRAUDSTERS



Created fraudulent physical documents



32%

Altered physical documents



28%

Created fraudulent electronic documents or files



25%

Altered electronic documents or files



23%

Destroyed or withheld physical documents



19% of cases did not involve any attempts to conceal the fraud

EVIDENCE



evidence

57% the

OF CASES involved the creation of fraudulent evidence

Created fraudulent evidence Altered existing

Deleted or destroyed evidence



38%

OF CASES involved concealment methods affecting **BOTH** physical and electronic evidence.

38%

Both physical and electronic evidence

Electronic evidence

22%

Physical evidence

18%

CONCEALMENT BY POSITION



48% of executive-level perpetrators **DESTROYED** evidence.



61% of managers CREATED fraudulent evidence.