ABSTRACT. Let $R$ be a commutative ring with $1 \neq 0$ and $I$ be a proper ideal of $R$. Then $I$ is called a 2-absorbing ideal of $R$ if whenever $abc \in I$ for some $a, b, c \in R$, then $ab \in I$ or $bc \in I$ or $ac \in I$. This talk surveys recent developments on 2-absorbing ideals and their generalizations in commutative rings.