

IT BUDGET TRENDS: 2016

STORAGE BUDGET SURVEY

DARK TIMES AHEAD FOR IT BUDGETS IN MIDSIZED COMPANIES, INCLUDING REDUCED OR STAGNANT SPENDING, SALARIES, AND SERVICES

THE RESULTS

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BELT TIGHTENING IN SIGHT:

Budgets are facing the threat of stagnating or being reduced in the upcoming year.

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MAJOR CHALLENGES:

Reducing downtime and improving performance levels for critical applications come in as two of the most important but difficult goals for IT.

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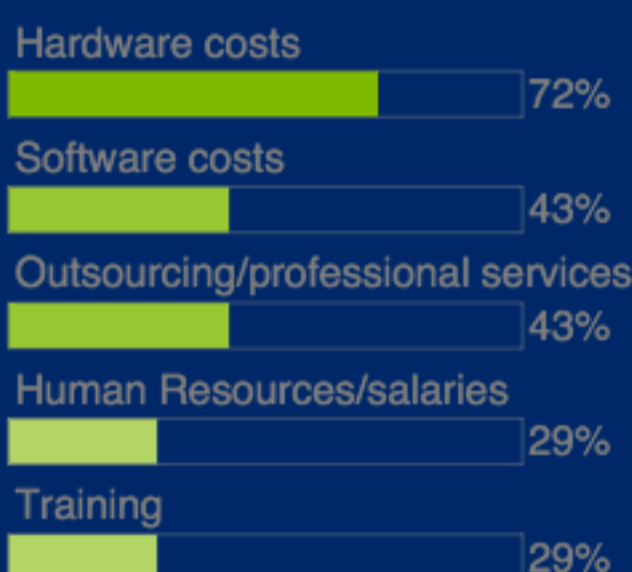
TIME CRUNCH:

Routine manual chores like migration and provisioning take up valuable IT resources better spent on innovation.

CONCLUSION:

The new reality is doing more with the same amount of resources for years on end.

BELT TIGHTENING IN SIGHT



Belt-tightening extends to spending less in nearly every category, with hardware costs coming in first.



Over the last 3 years, how has your annual budget changed?

More than 70% of respondents said their annual IT budget has stayed the same or even decreased over the past three years.

MAJOR CHALLENGES

53% of respondents said that their lack of budget to accomplish desired upgrades is a major challenge.

Eliminating manual chores like provisioning and migration, complexity, or constraints on future growth are easy problems to solve - if there is an adequate budget.

Without added budget, companies need to look for ways to do more with their existing infrastructure.

Steven Lamb
Co-founder and CEO, ioFABRIC

Budget to accomplish desired upgrades

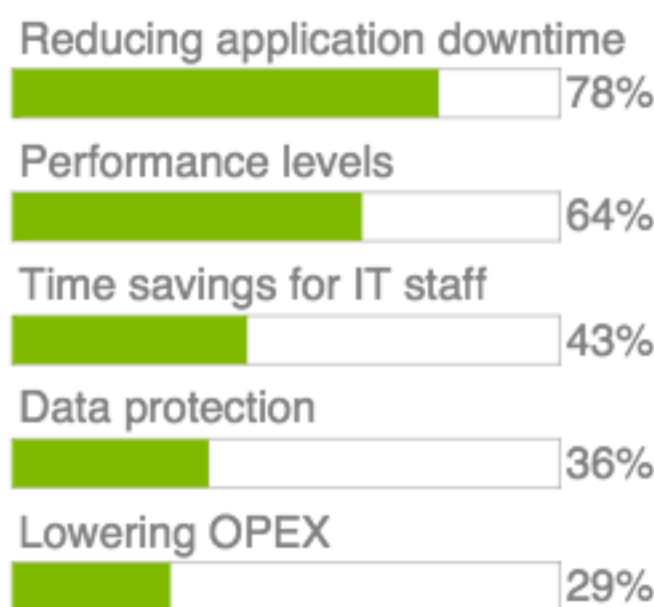
Enough capacity to keep up with data growth

Time for innovation

Enforcing SLAs, policies, quotas

Outdated hardware or software

WHAT IS THE MOST IMPORTANT IMPROVEMENT FOR YOUR ORGANIZATION?



TOP 3 IMPROVEMENTS

78% of respondents reported that reducing downtime is very important to them.

64% said improving performance levels for critical applications is very important.

43% reported that time savings for IT staff is very important.

TIME CRUNCH

Downtime and performance problems are frequently the result of aging infrastructures, and also the inability to adapt to infrastructure and application workload changes.

Rayan Zachariassen
Co-founder and CTO, ioFABRIC

ENOUGH TIME?



Only 35% of respondents said "yes" when asked whether there is enough time in the day for them to effectively manage their storage systems.

SOLUTION:

ioFABRIC Vicinity transforms your storage infrastructure, using existing systems and media to reach new levels of service.