

# The State of Marketing 2012

## IBM's Global Survey of Marketers



## Agenda



### Marketing must ...



Expand  
its role to lead  
the customer  
experience

Remove  
silos and  
integrate

Embrace a  
marketing  
technology  
platform

Marketing must expand its role to lead their organization's customer experience by leveraging technology seamlessly to differentiate and optimize their company's purchasing cycle.



Expand its  
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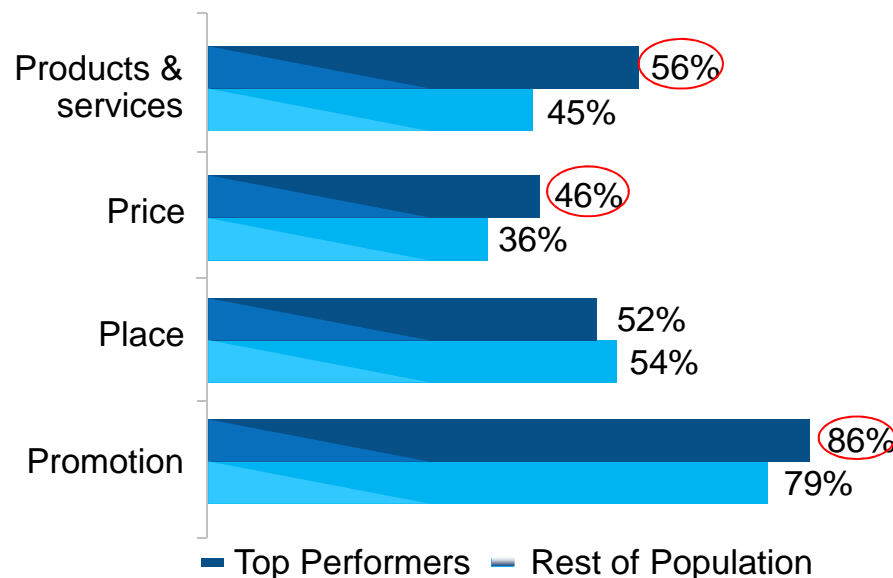
Companies where marketers  
have an expanded role and  
scope perform better.

## Marketers must increase their scope across 4Ps

Marketers who identified their companies as high-performing have greater responsibilities for the 4Ps. This allows them to measure ROI, optimize pricing and expand the role of marketing to lead the customer experience.

**Figure: Marketing Ownership by Business Outcome**

Q. How much ownership do you and your marketing organization have for the following areas of responsibilities?



56% Significantly higher than the Rest of Population

Total Sample (n=362), Top Performers (n=252), Rest of Population (n=110)

Marketers self-identified what their overall business performance was relative to their industry peers.

It's more than  
*promotion ...*

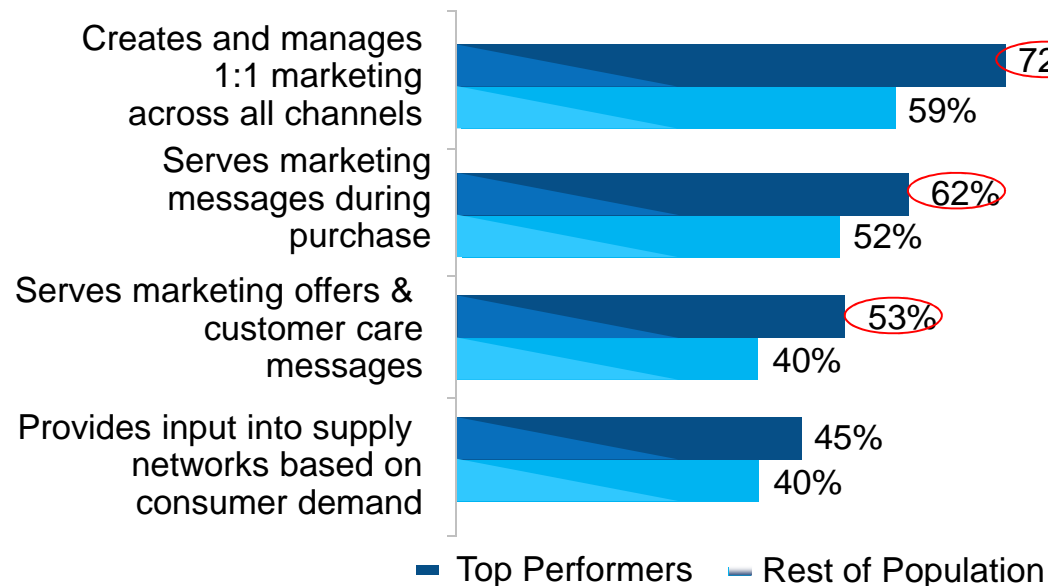
Marketers need to optimize their pricing and product mix. And for high-performing companies, it's a responsibility that marketers are more likely to lead.

## Marketing's role must extend beyond marketing

Marketers from high-performing companies are more likely to lead the coordination of messages in different functional areas that are not marketing, expanding their strategic role and application of technology to proactively improve their customers' experience.

**Figure: Marketing Responsibility by Business Outcome**

Q. Please rate the level of responsibility marketing has for each of the following areas.



○ Significantly higher than the Rest of Population

## Marketers

from high-performing companies are nearly 3X more likely to be proactive leaders driving the customer experience across all channels

Base: Total Sample (n=362), Top Performers (n=252), Rest of Population (n=110)

## Expanded role requires greater visibility as integration and channel complexity grows

# 85%

Of marketers agree with the need for an integrated suite.

# But 27%

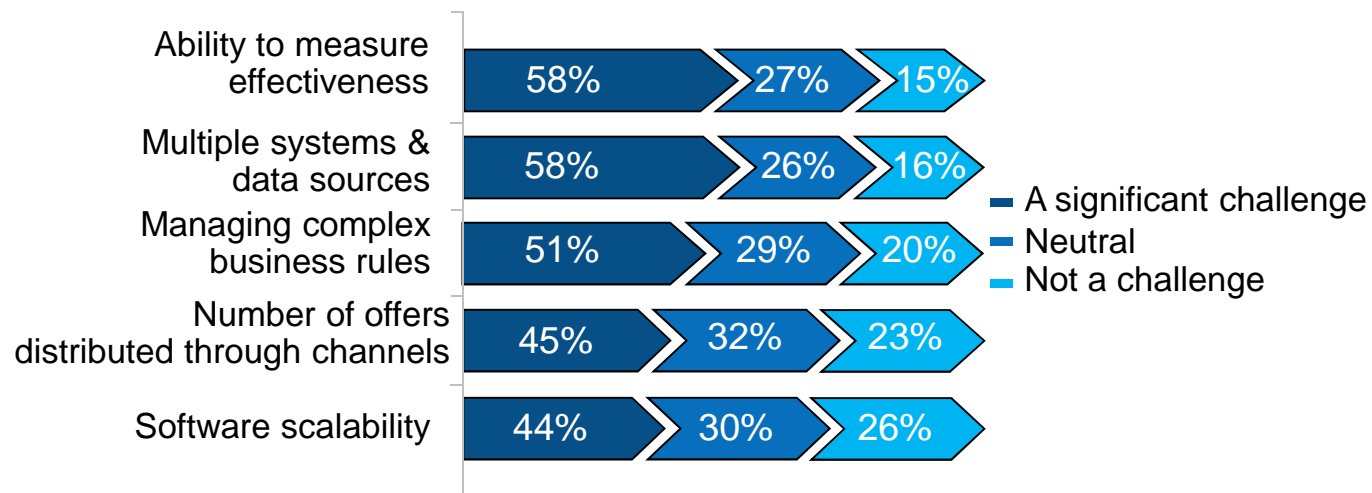
Of marketers don't perform attribution.

# And 34%

Manually analyze attribution through spreadsheets.

**Figure: Challenges in Accessing, Managing and Analyzing Data across Channels**

Q. To what extent does your organization face the following challenges in accessing, managing and analyzing data across different channels?



Base: Total Sample (n=362)

Regardless of their level of business performance, marketers are challenged by their ability to measure results and ROI. Those that strongly agree with an integrated suite, however, rose **8%** from the previous year.

## Marketers' Next Steps

### Lead the customer experience

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Integration is a must to  
deliver on digital's promise

## More must be done to link insight to action for online visitor data

# 65%

Of respondents are doing the basics by reporting and analyzing their online visitor data.

# Only a third

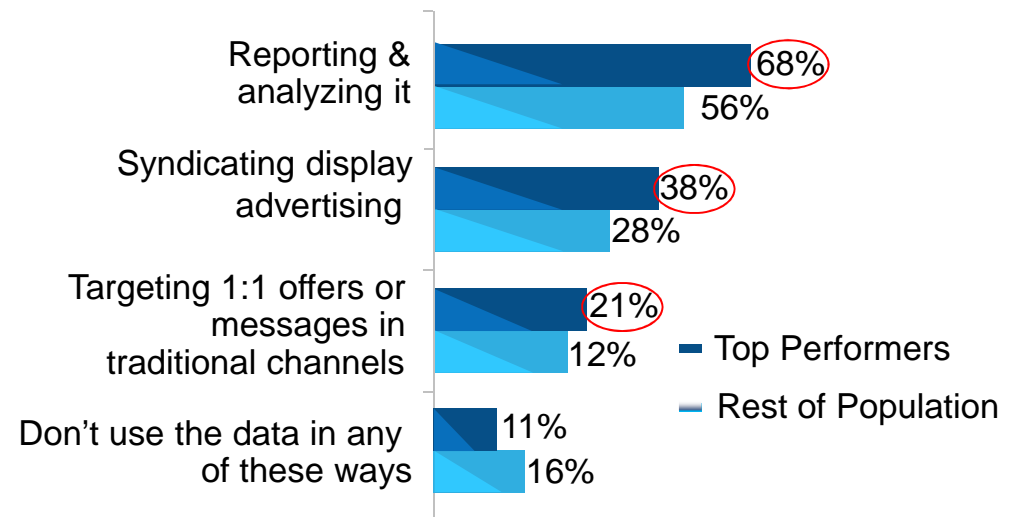
Use this data in targeting one-to-one offers or messages in digital channels.

# Less than 1 and 5

Leverage online data to make one-to-one offers in traditional channels.

## High performing companies leverage their online data in other channels

*Figure: Use of Online Visitor Data Comparing Company Performance*  
Q. How are you using your online visitor data?

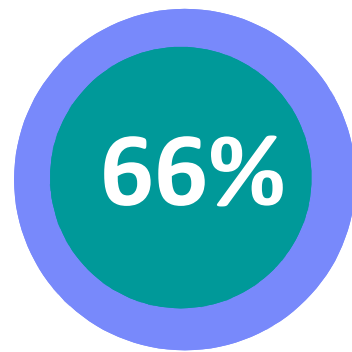


*○ Statistically significant difference from the Rest of Population*

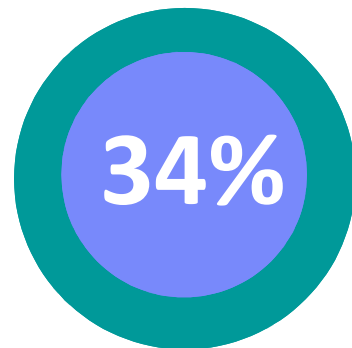
Base: Companies that have online visitor data (n=351)

## Better integration required to improve email targeting & relevance

Barely a third of respondents automate email data with their customer mart, while two thirds manually or do not integrate their email data.



Email integration is mostly a manual effort or not integrated at all.



Email is not integrated.

Finding email sweet spot challenging for all companies ...

**41%** **Only 37%**

Of the rest of the population manually integrating email

Of higher performing companies automate the integration of email



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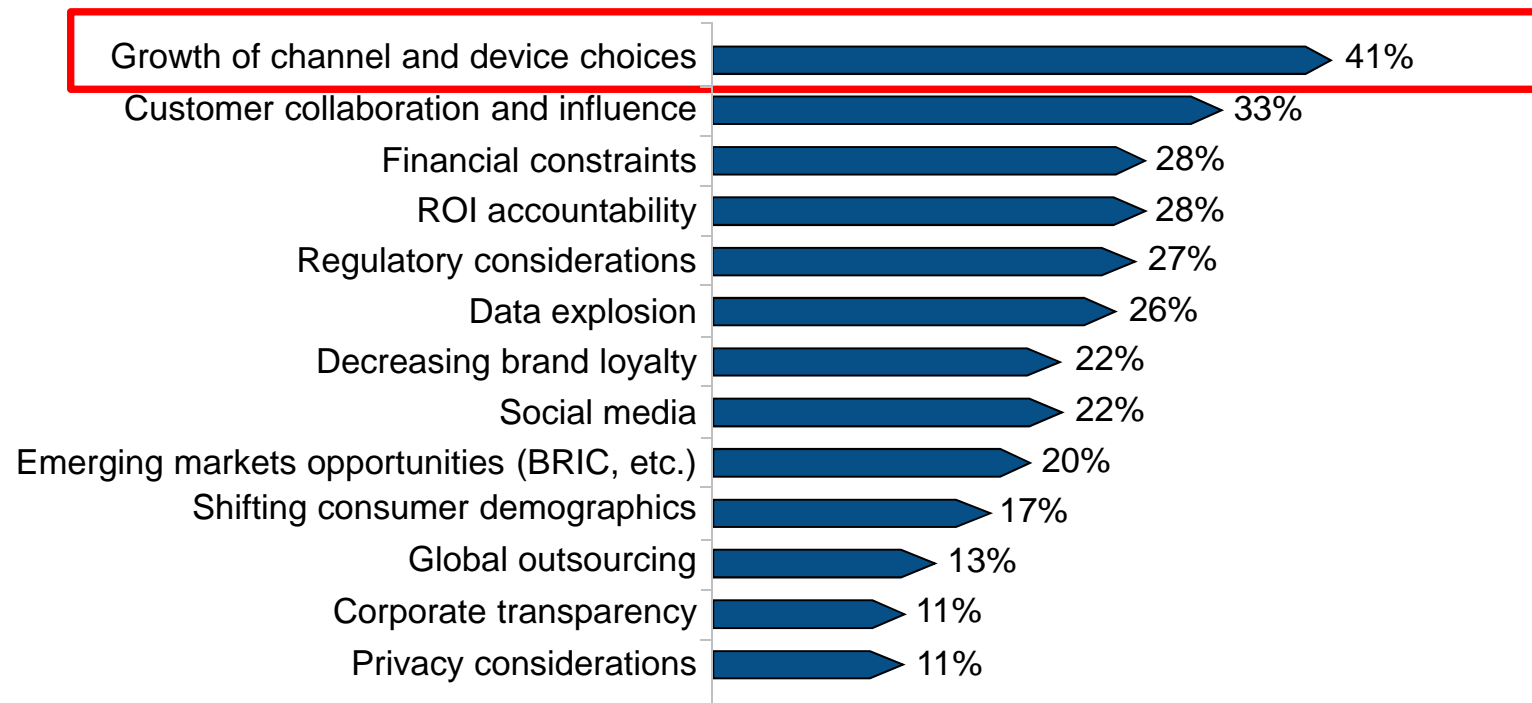
Emerging silos?  
Mobile and social

## Keeping pace with social & mobile proliferation is the biggest challenge

Marketing practitioners share concerns with CMOs<sup>1</sup> over the proliferation of channels and devices. They're also pre-occupied with important day-to-day mechanics of customer collaboration and influence, financial constraints and ROI accountability of their activities.

**Figure: Ranking of Top 3 challenges for Your Organization**

Q. Which three of the following market factors will be the biggest challenge for your organization over the next 3 to 5 years?



Base: Total Sample (n=362)

1. IBM Survey: From Stretched to Strengthened: Insights from the Global Chief Marketing Office Study - 2011

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## Marketers are mobilizing, but success hinges on integration

# Only 21%

Currently run mobile marketing tactics as part of integrated campaigns.

# 79%

Run mobile marketing in silos, **discretely** and on an ad hoc basis.

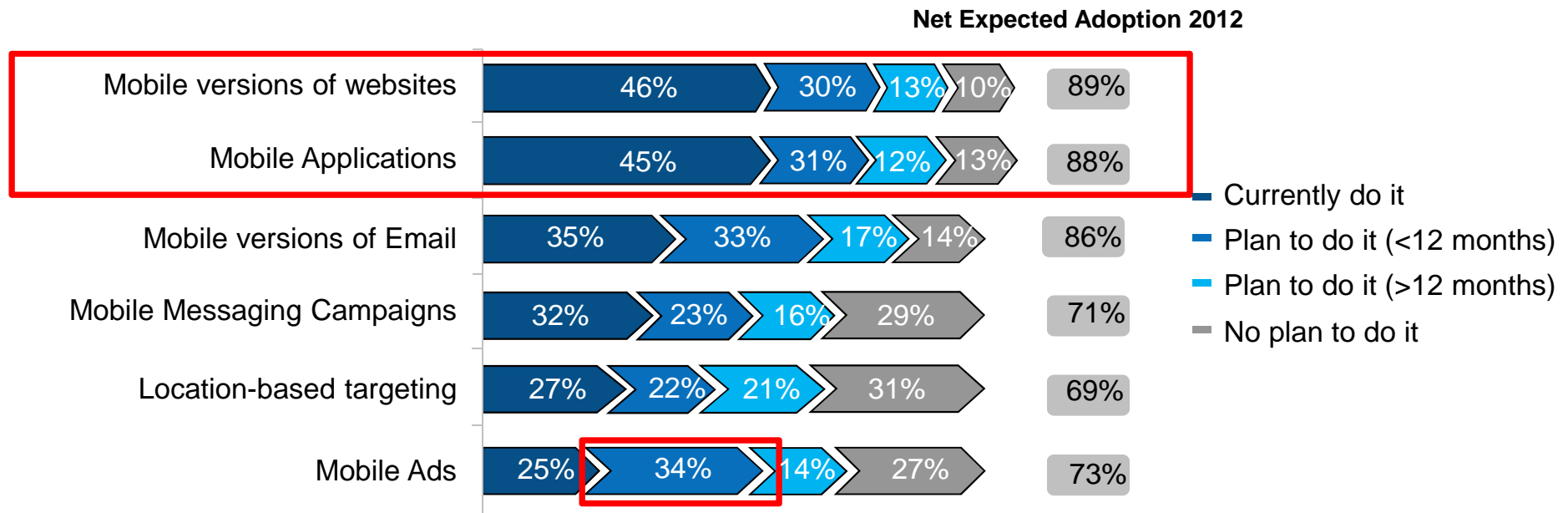
# Higher

performing

Companies currently use mobile channels more than lower performing ones; however, that will change in 12 months.

**Figure: Use of Mobile Marketing Tactics**

Q. Which of the following mobile marketing tactics is your company using or planning to use?



Base: Respondents who know what their company is doing (324 – 346 respondents)

## Marketers become socially awkward as experimentation abounds

# Only 22%

Currently run social tactics as part of integrated campaigns.

# 79%

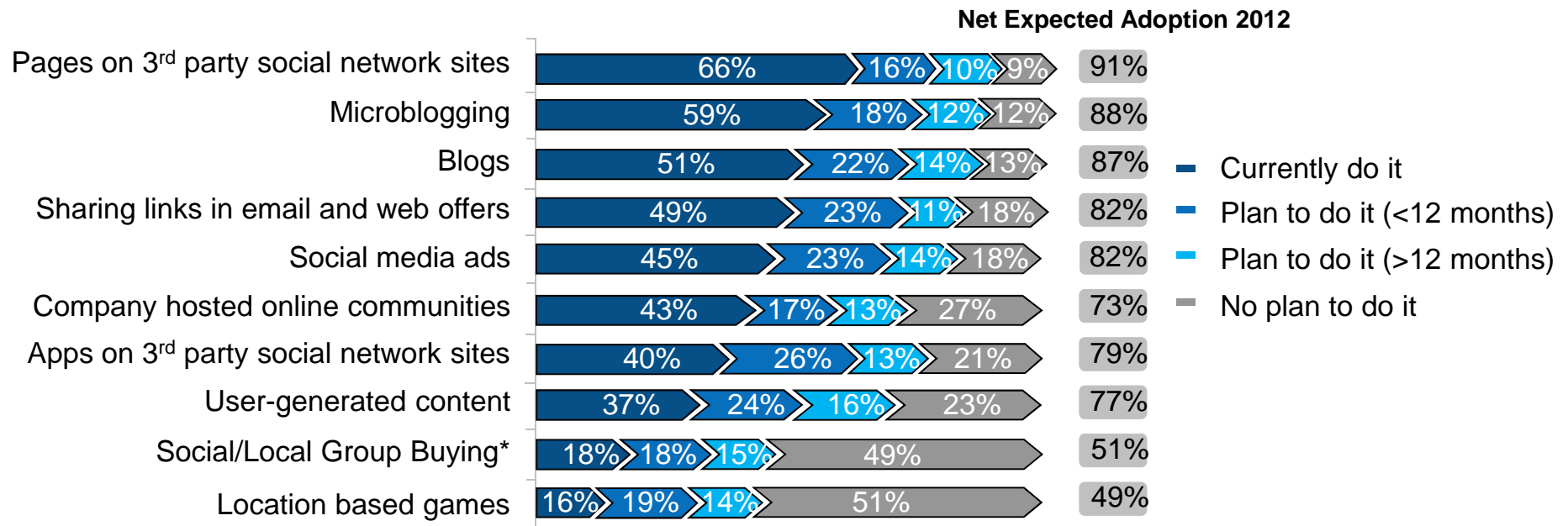
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# 51%

Of marketers don't use social media data to inform decision about marketing offers and messages.

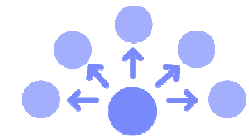
**Figure: Use of Social Media Marketing Tactics**

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Base: Respondents who know what their company

14 (300 – 347 respondents) \*Not asked in 2011



## The Cross-channel Imperative

## Channel spend to increase, but integration and personalization must improve

**More** than **50%**

Of respondents will increase media spend **a lot** across all channels this year.

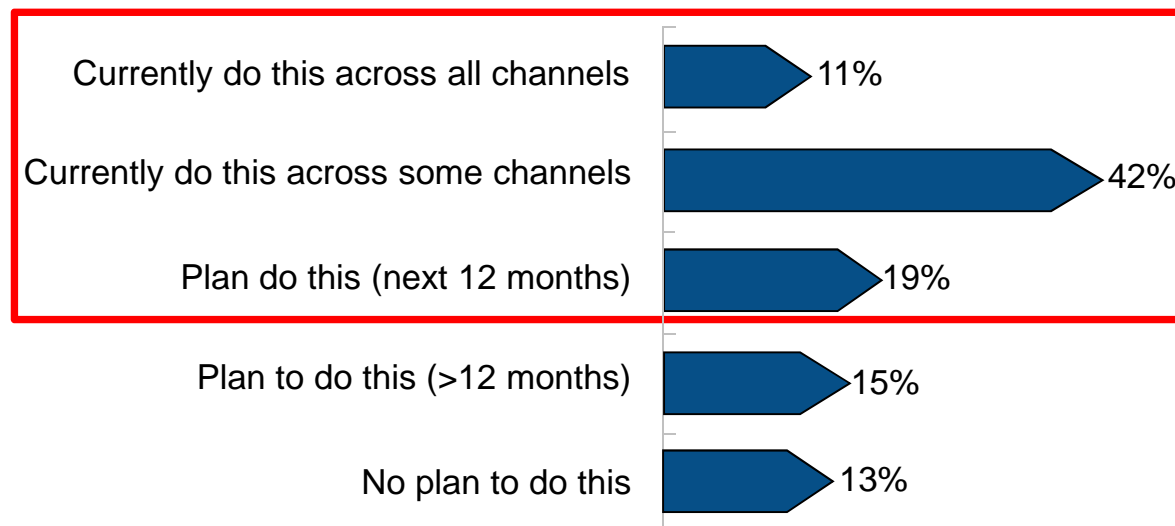
**71%**

Believe integration across, owned, earned and paid channels is important.

**But 29%**

Are very effective at integrating different channels.

*Figure: Adoption of Interaction Optimization*  
Q. Is your organization using interaction optimization technologies?



*Base: Respondents who know what their company is doing or plan to do with interaction optimization technologies (n=346)*

## Inbound marketing adoption across all channels requires greater coordination

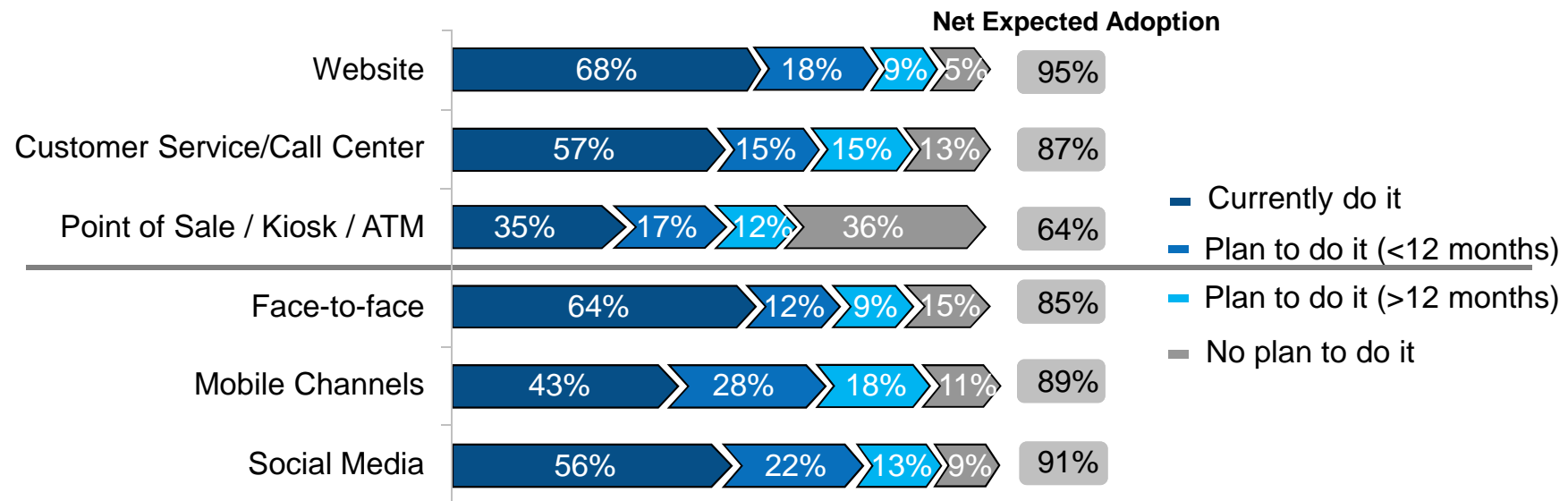
Marketers intend to expand inbound tactics across all channels regardless of their business performance. Inbound year-over-year increases in traditional channels and expansion to new ones underscore the need for greater channel coordination.

# Nearly 4x

Increase in plans to expand inbound marketing across all channels over the next 12-months.

**Figure: Inbound Marketing Adoption by Channel**

Q. In which of the following channels is your company delivering or planning to deliver targeted/personalized messages in real-time?



Base: Respondents who know what their company is doing in the area (311-358 respondents)

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### Break Down Silos & Integrate

- Map your engagement of customers across all channels and business functions
- Define metrics and analytics that meet executive-level rigor
- Identify quick wins that showcase cross-channel marketing success in business terms – and expand to other areas



Integration is more important  
than ever.

## Multiple integration barriers reinforce need for integrated cross-channel marketing suite

# 85%

Agree with the need for an integrated marketing suite.

# Yet 58%

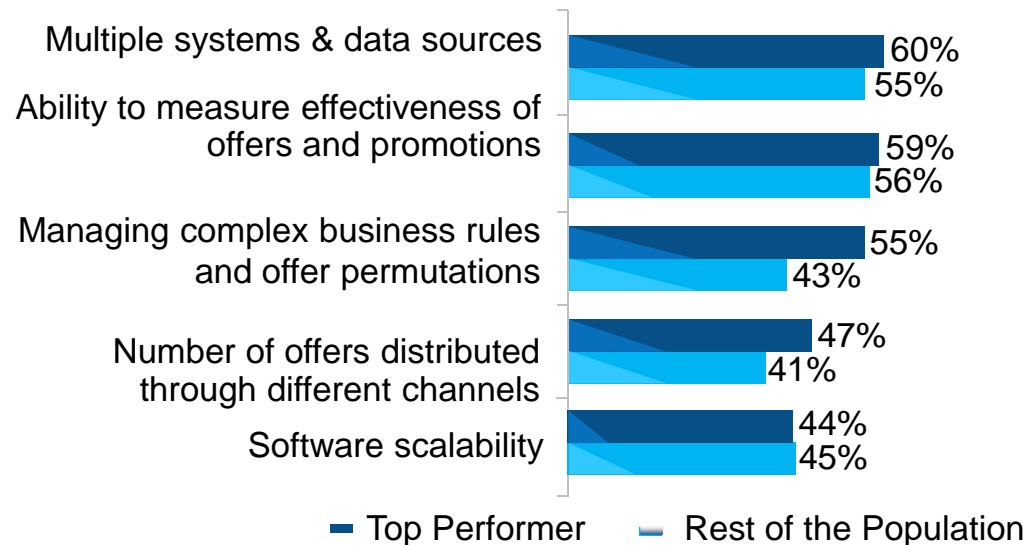
Believe existing systems are too disparate to integrate different channels.

# And 57%

Believe lack of budget is a barrier to integrating different channels.

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## Marketers

Regardless of performance struggle to manage and analyze data across channels.

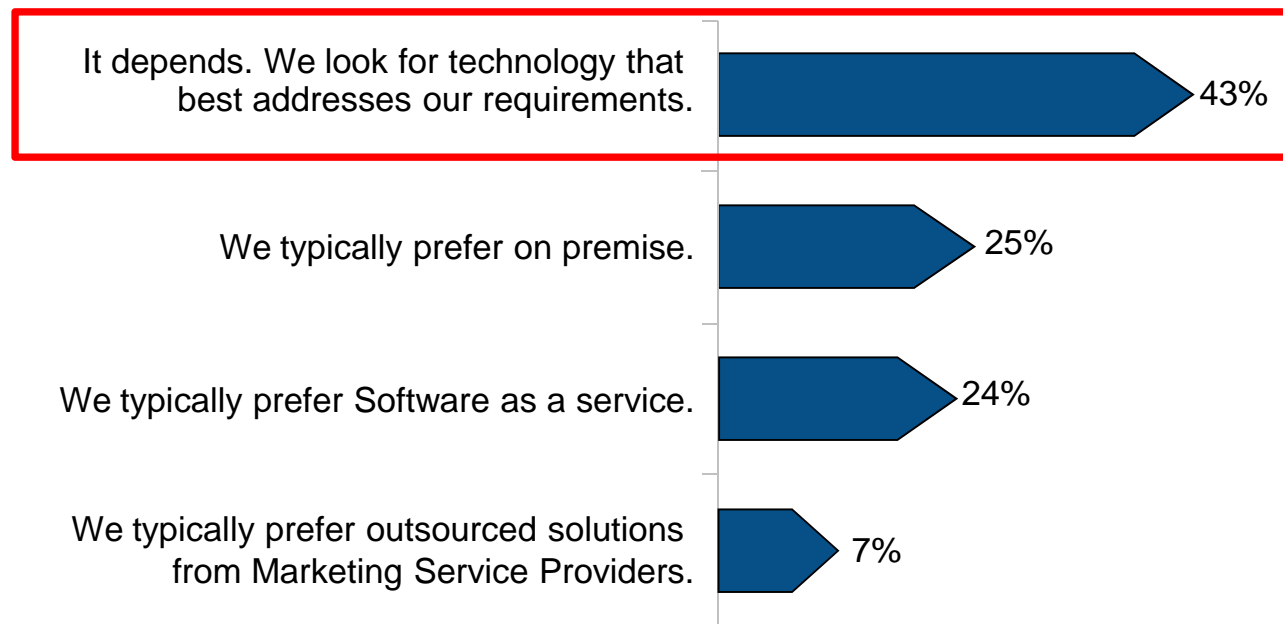
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## Marketing software adoption will span deployment models - requiring a hybrid suite

More than 40% of marketers cite that the deployment approach varies based on their requirements. Increasingly, marketers will need to explore hybrid approaches to tie different point solutions together to achieve their desire of an integrated marketing suite.

**Figure: Preferred Software Deployment Approach**

Q. Which of the following best describes your deployment model preference when selecting marketing technologies?



Base: Total Sample (n=362)



IT alignment is key to marketing's expanded role and scope.

## Marketers believe technology eases their pain ... but need to align with IT to grow their business

# 76%

Of marketers either drive the purchasing decisions for marketing software or collaborate with IT.

# 48%

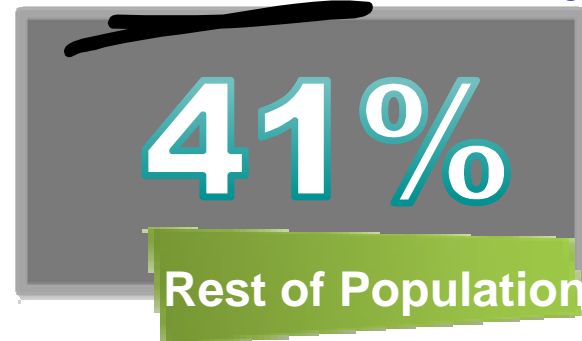
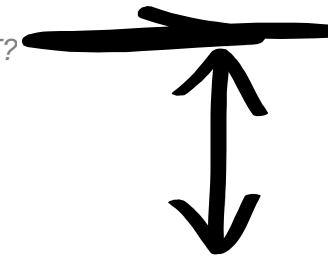
Believe improved technology infrastructure or software will enable marketers to do more.

# Nearly 60%

Indicate that lack of IT alignment and integration are significant barriers to the adoption of technology.

*Figure: Collaboration Between IT and Marketing on Technology Purchases.*

*Q. How well does marketing collaborate with IT?*



Overall, marketing and IT work well together. Marketing and IT at high-performing companies, however, work more effectively.

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### Embrace a Marketing Technology Platform

- Partner with IT more aggressively eliminate silos and integrate technologies
- Improve analytic and IT skill sets
- Incorporate IT methodologies for cost justification and ROI

## Survey Approach

- Surveyed more than 350 marketing practitioners globally about their level of marketing technology adoption
- Examined impact of respondents' business performance on their level of marketing technology adoption
- Asked respondents to assess their business entity's overall performance relative to industry peers
- Explored barriers to technology adoption and relationship with IT



# Respondent profiles

Respondents are from a wide range of industries, geographies and sizes

Figure: Respondents by Industry

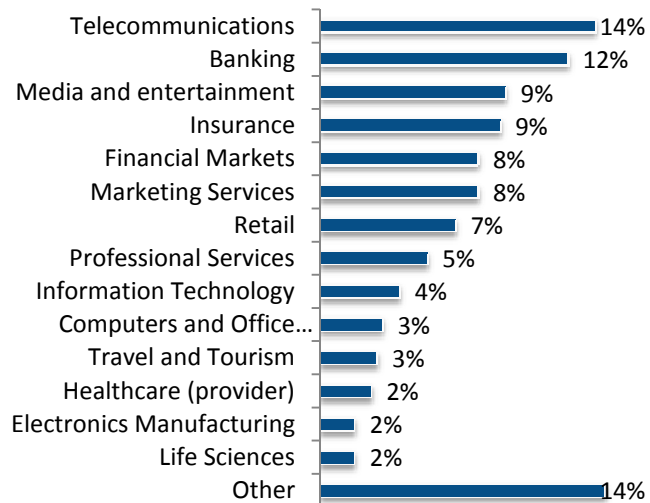


Figure: Respondents by Company Size

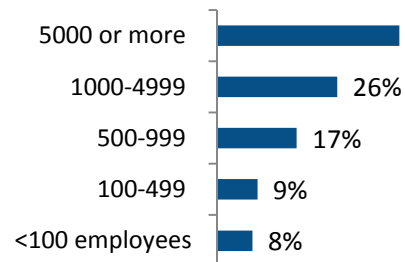


Figure: Responsibility by Marketing Function



Figure: Respondents by Business Type

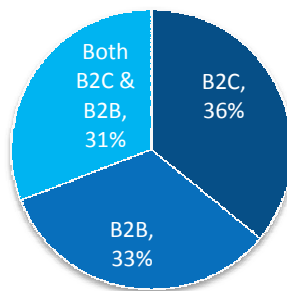


Figure: Respondents by Role

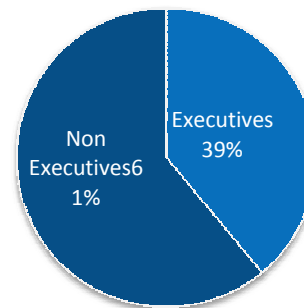
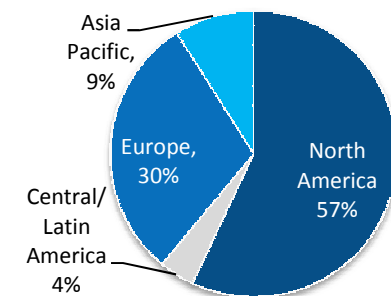
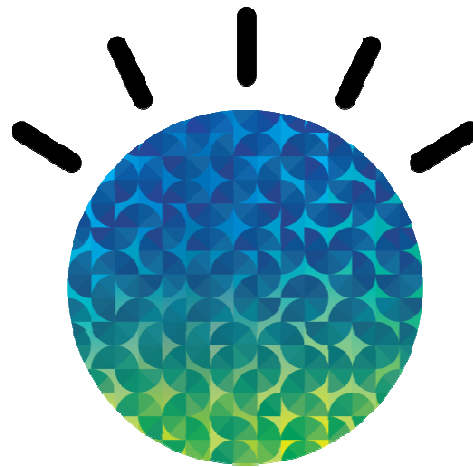


Figure: Respondents by Geography



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