



State of the outsourcing, shared services, and operations industry 2018



Introduction

2018 State of Operations and Outsourcing Market Study

The following are the results from the 2018 edition of an annual, global market research study conducted jointly by KPMG and HfS Research on the state of the operations and business and IT services markets.

The research effort surveyed and interviewed over 375 executives globally from firms with revenues in excess of \$1 billion annually globally across all major industries (see Appendix for full survey respondent demographics).

KPMG's global Shared Services & Outsourcing Advisory (SSOA) practice is the executive sponsor practice for the HfS Research global market research relationship and for this annual global market study.

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The impact of intelligent automation

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Key findings and observations

Near term expectations are high for returns from *advanced data and analytics* and *intelligent automation* investments.

Cure-all/panacea solution and enabler for a broad range of organizational strategic and tactical needs and demands?

Expectations are unrealistic given *relative lack of organizational maturity* in pursuing advanced D&A and IA investments, particularly around skills, talent, investment levels, and the current state of data integration.

Operations *strategy is increasingly at odds with reality*, particularly balancing cost savings and strategic investment priorities.

Cost savings tactics, transformational strategic ambitions

Struggles continue over to understand how to implement *organization-wide automation*.

Expecting bots to solve all issues within the next year or two is unrealistic.

Traditional outsourcing continues to lose favor; next-generation outsourcing leveraging advanced D&A and IA is the hot topic today.

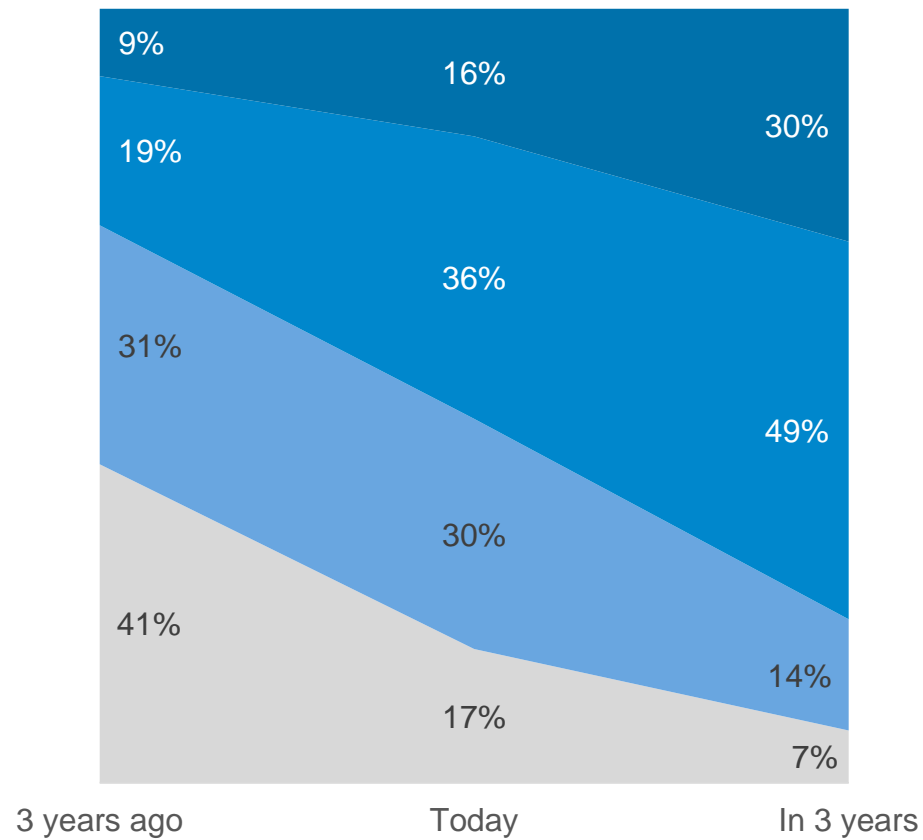
Global business services must *evolve* from its internal service delivery focus with an emphasis to a *more external focus with an emphasis on strategic value-add* and back-, middle- and front-office integration.

GBS opportunity to assume a new role as the *organization-wide broker* and enabler of advanced D&A and IA while the historical transactional heart of GBS shifts from *people to automated process*.

All IA efforts and ambitions will continue to *suffer from talent and skills shortages* and uncertainty over how to deal with *leftover talent* from process automation efforts.

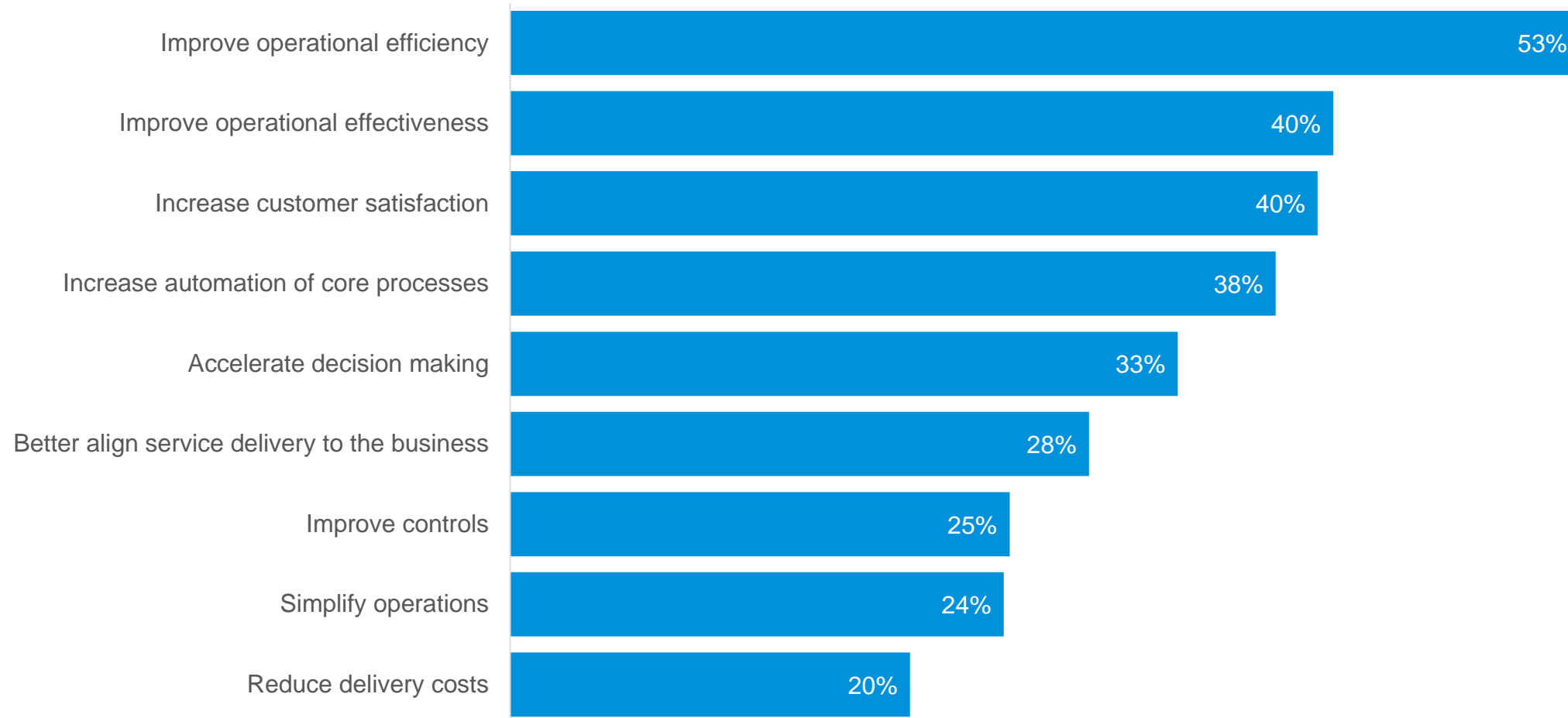
Current- and future-state service
delivery operating models

Operating models in use continue to shift towards centralization



- Centralized**
- Global business services:** Business services organizationally consolidated in a multifunctional unit with a service management structure and inclusive of transactional and expertise services
 - Functional shared services:** Business services organizationally consolidated by function with a service management structure and largely transactional
 - Centralized operations:** Business services organizationally consolidated, but without a service management structure
 - Decentralized operations:** Business services distributed to individual business units

Main drivers for operating model changes; how to balance efficiency and effectiveness goals



GBS is increasingly seen as platform for services and a hub for automation efforts

1 GBS is a platform of services (e.g. process delivery, data and analytics, and service delivery) that are delivered in an integrated way with a single governance structure

2 GBS takes a lead role in integrating and coordinating intelligent automation efforts in support of business functions and corporate initiatives

3 GBS takes a lead role in integrating knowledge and data in managing end-user customer interactions

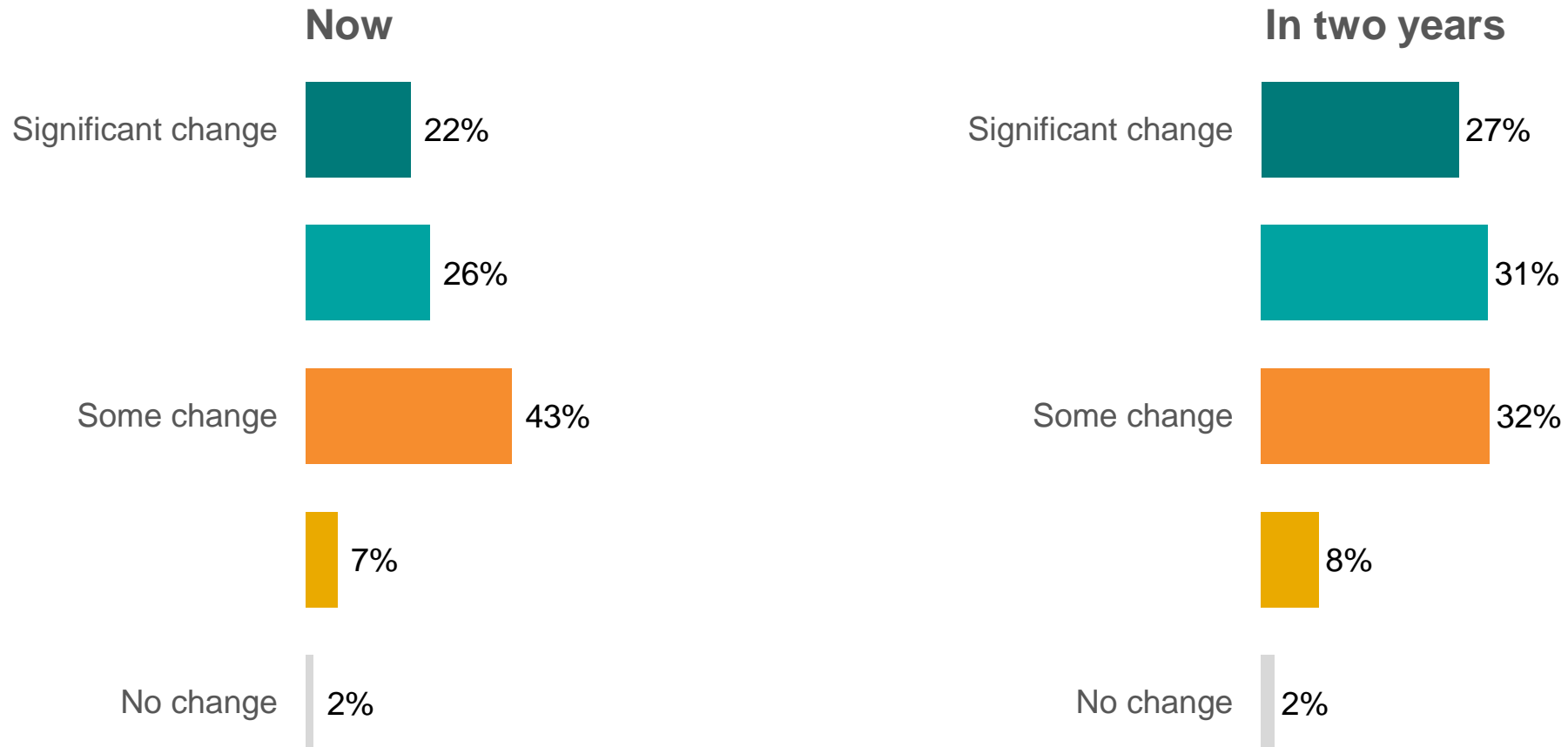
4 GBS, as an organization, has its own ability to absorb and codify new services without the input of functional areas

5 GBS governance extends across the entire value chain from front-office to back-office services

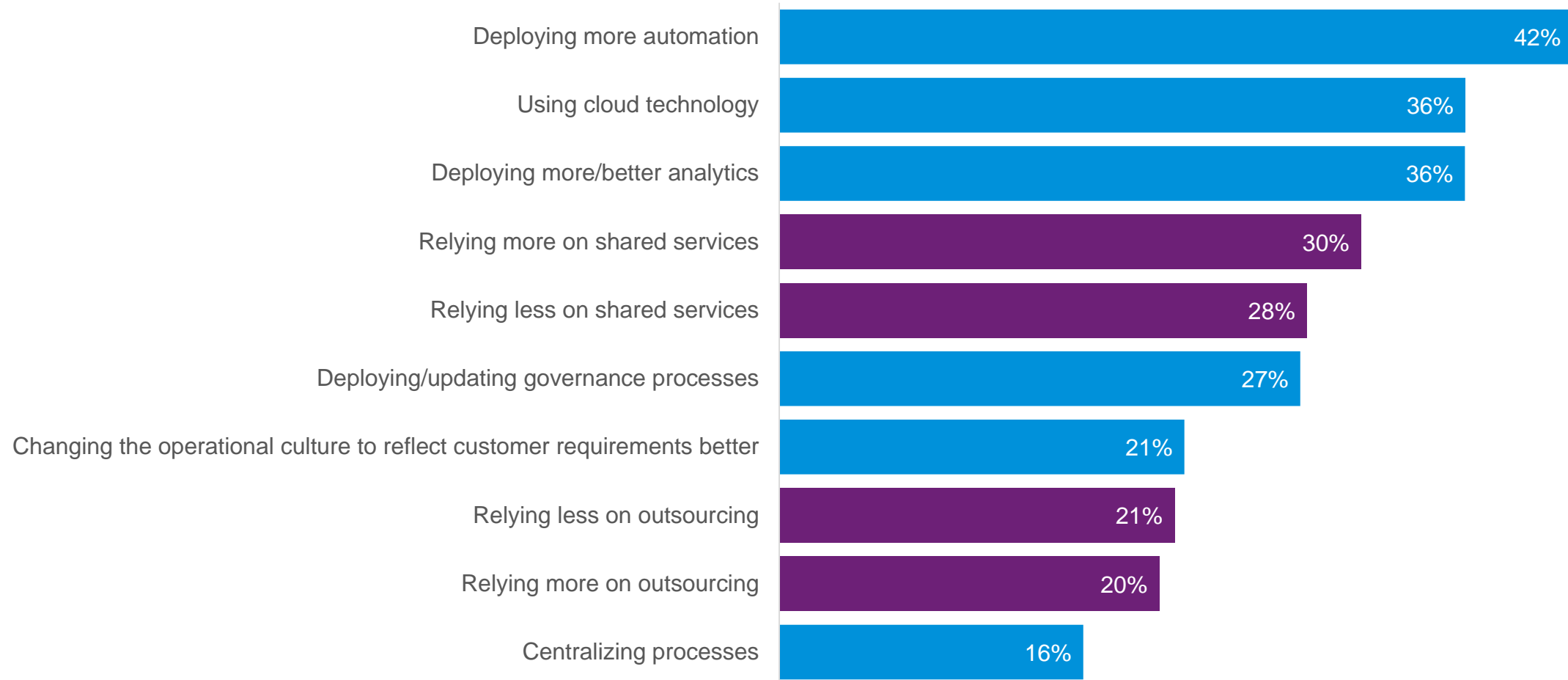
6 GBS is composed of a discrete set of services with no single governance structure

➤ **GBS as organization-wide IA broker – evolve or fade away?**

Expected operating model changes: growth of digital is driving change

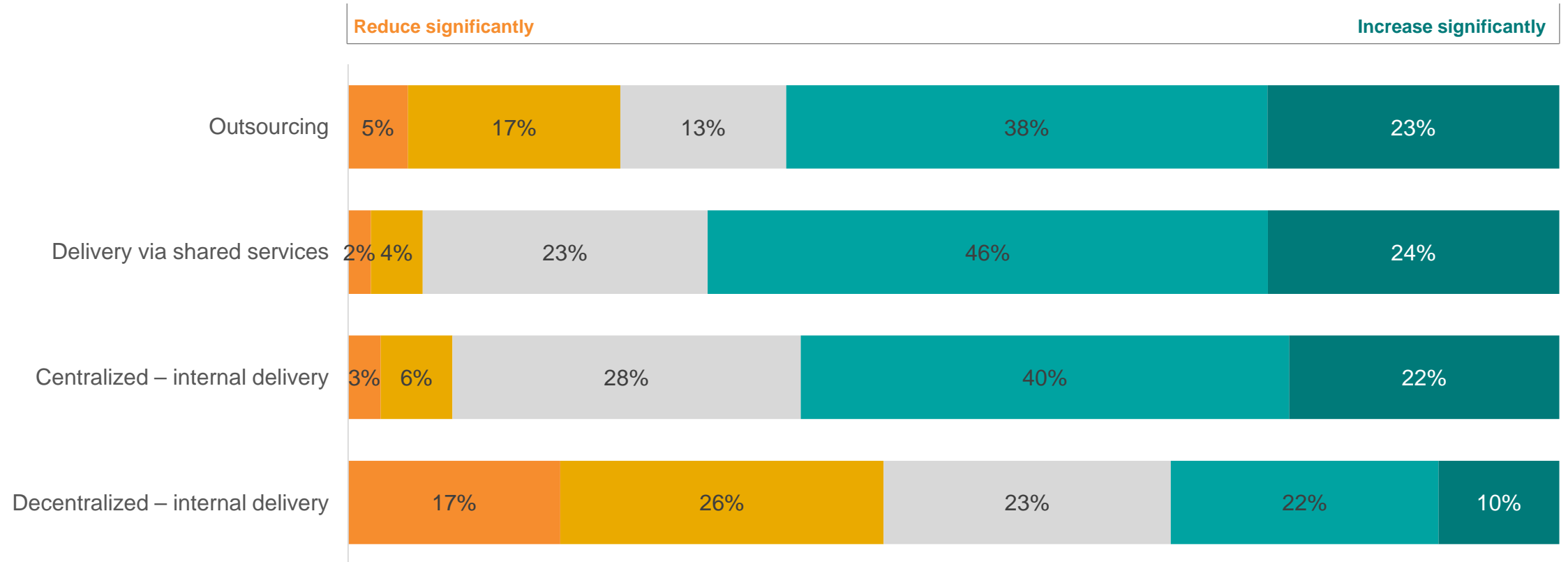


Enabling digital disruption and operating model changes



Shared services and outsourcing futures

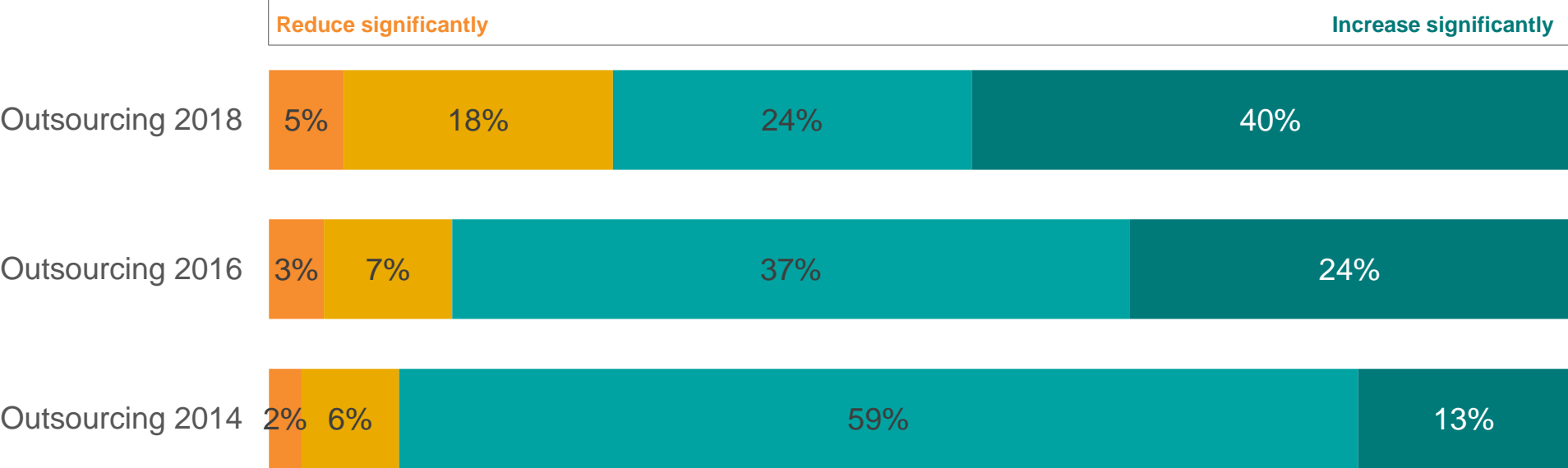
Change in service delivery models: moderate growth in outsourcing, shared services, and centralized models



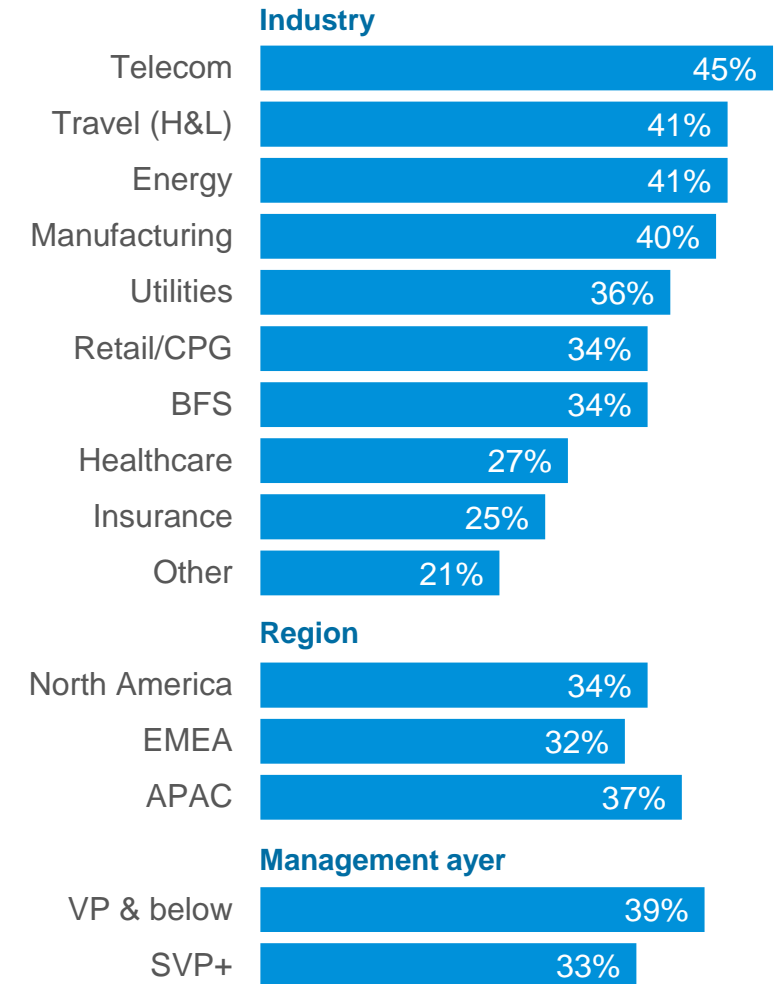
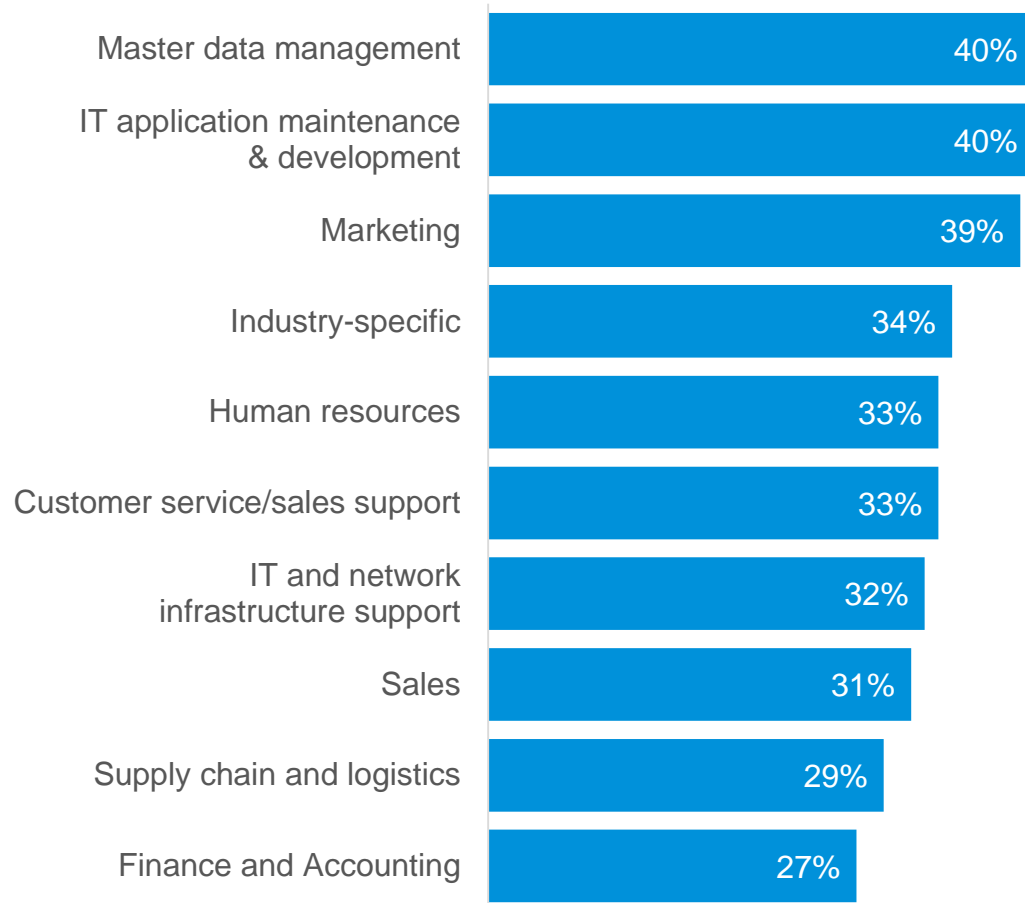
➤ **Key is defining what type of outsourcing: traditional or next generation?**



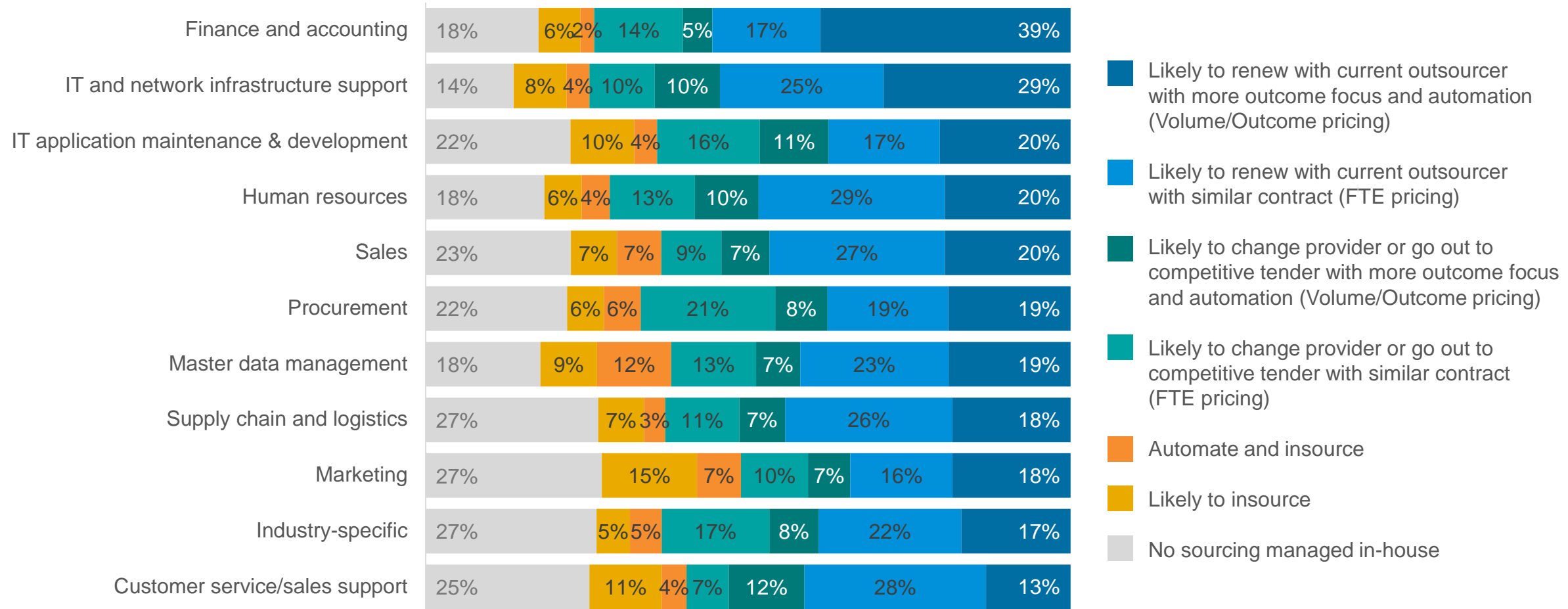
Change in service delivery models: Outsourcing plans more likely than two years ago to see a reduction in usage



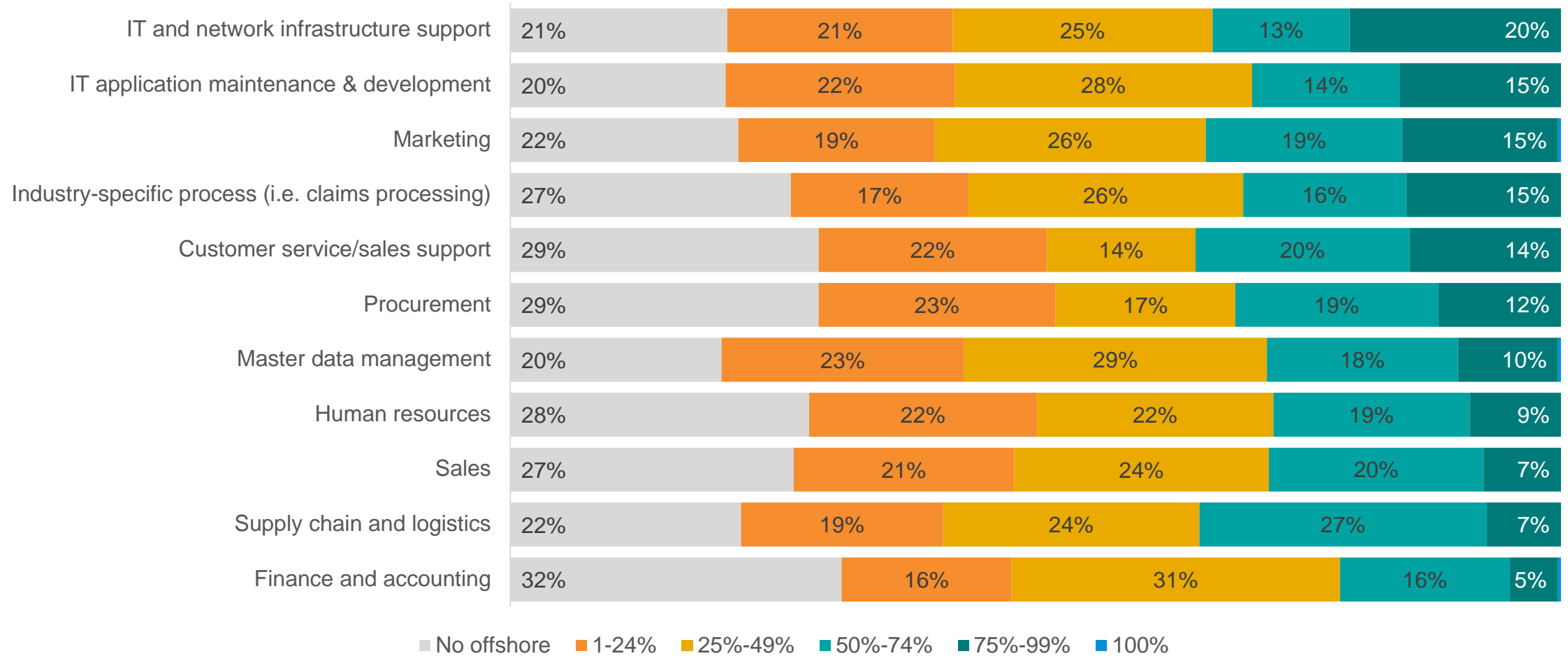
Outsourcing and managed services usage plans by function: users changing provider or insourcing



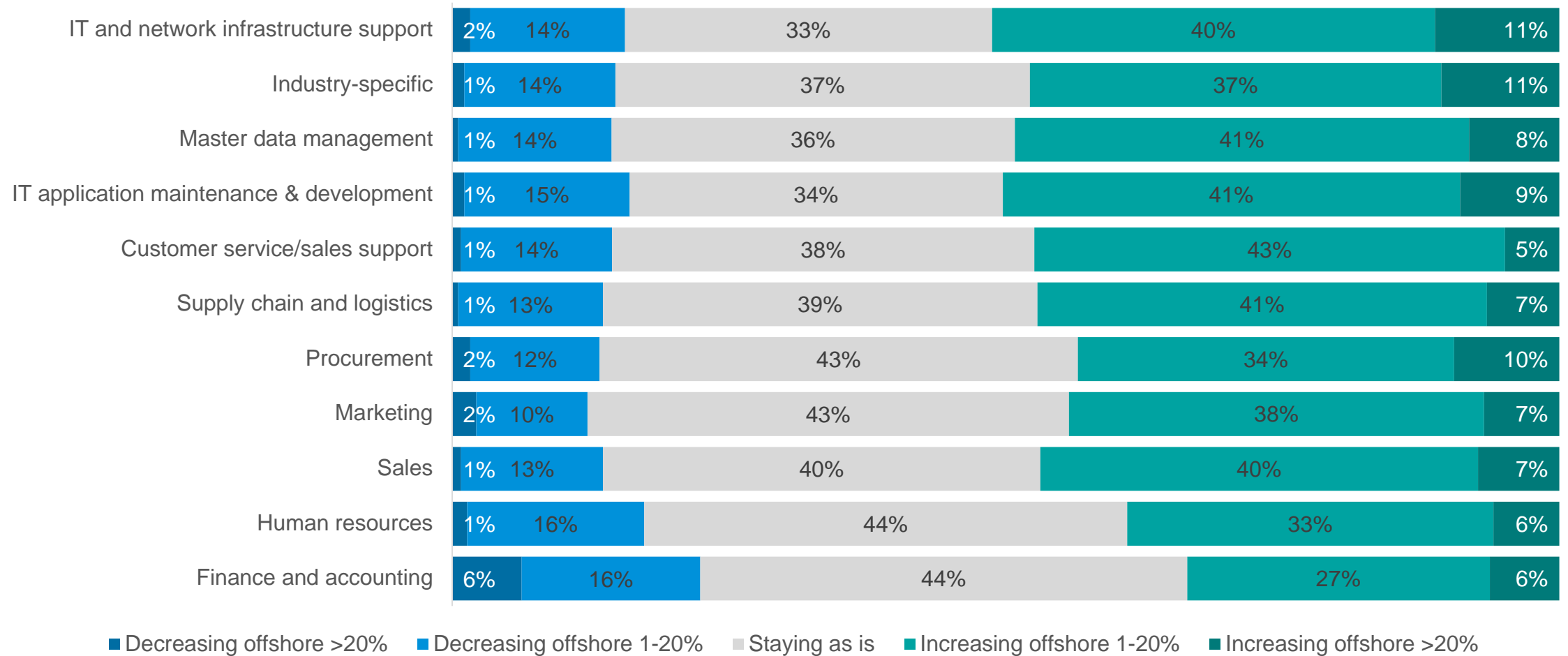
Future outsourcing and managed services usage plans by function



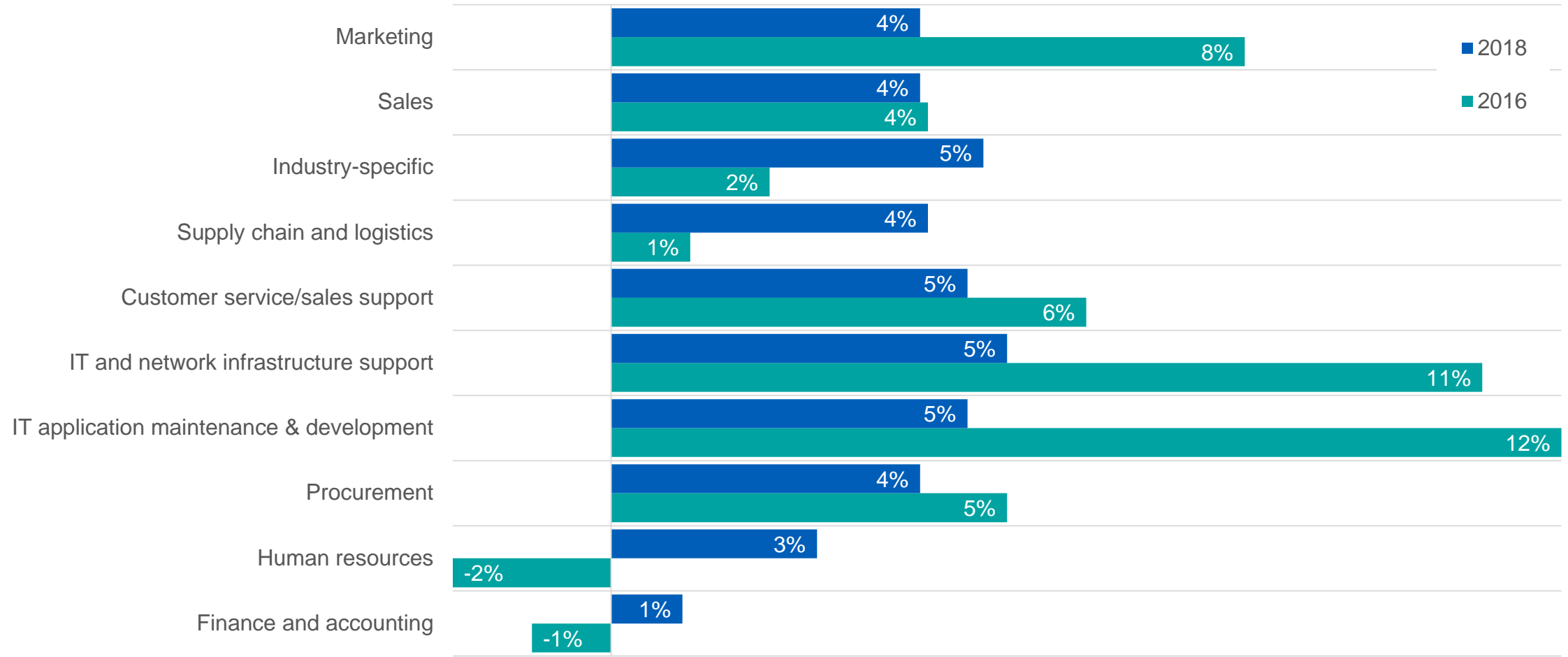
Current offshore usage by function



Expected change in use of offshore/nearshore over the next two years

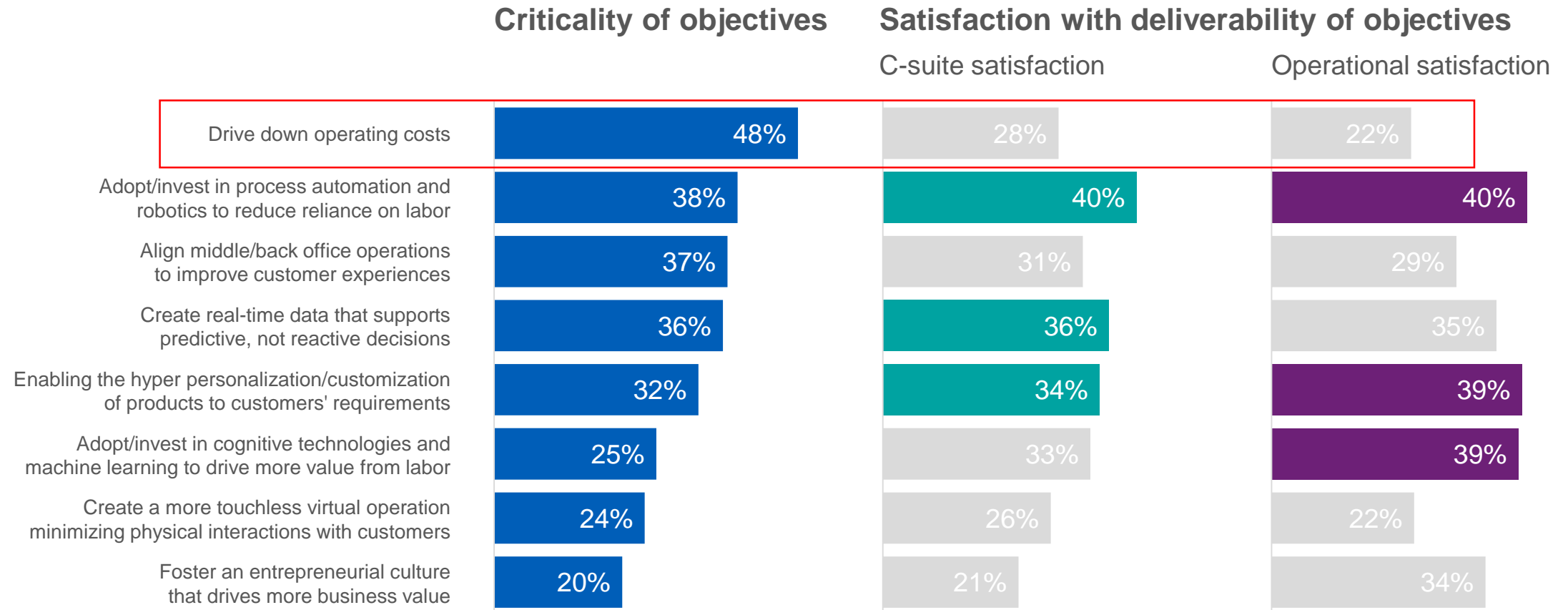


Expected change of offshore usage by function



C-suite imperatives and digital disruption

Critical objectives dichotomy: driver for operational change not cost, but cost is the most mission-critical directive



- **Never enough cost savings?**
- **Legacy ways of cutting costs may not be working; new methods are required to extend cost savings opportunities**



C-suite and operations perspective on achievement of directives

Satisfaction of C-suite

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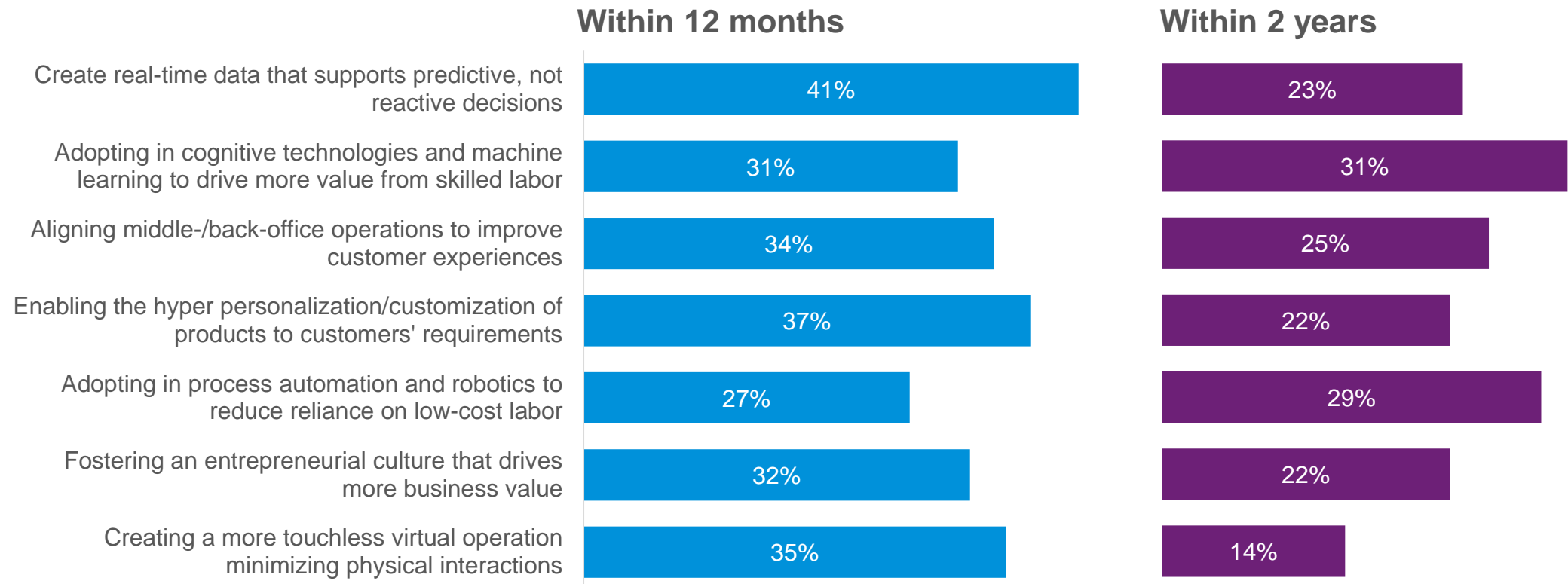
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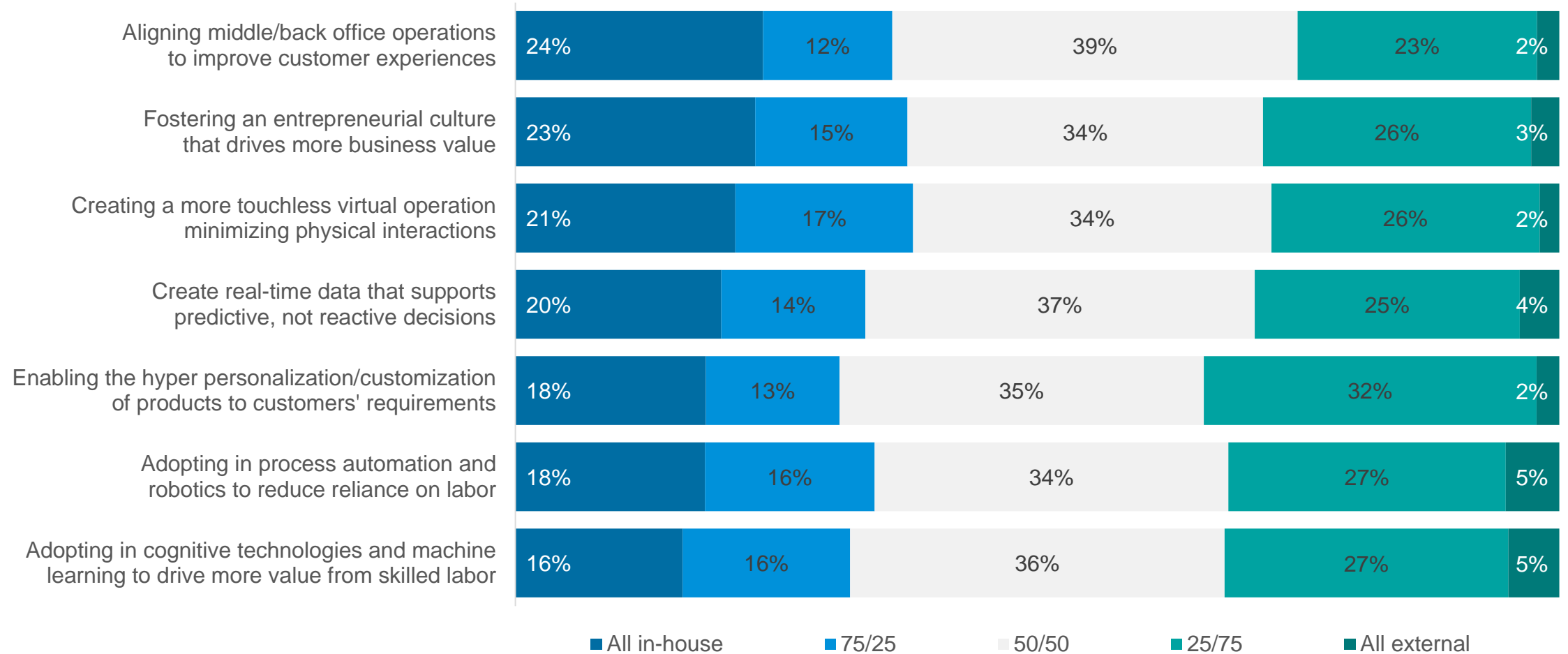
Time frame for achieving key C-suite directives



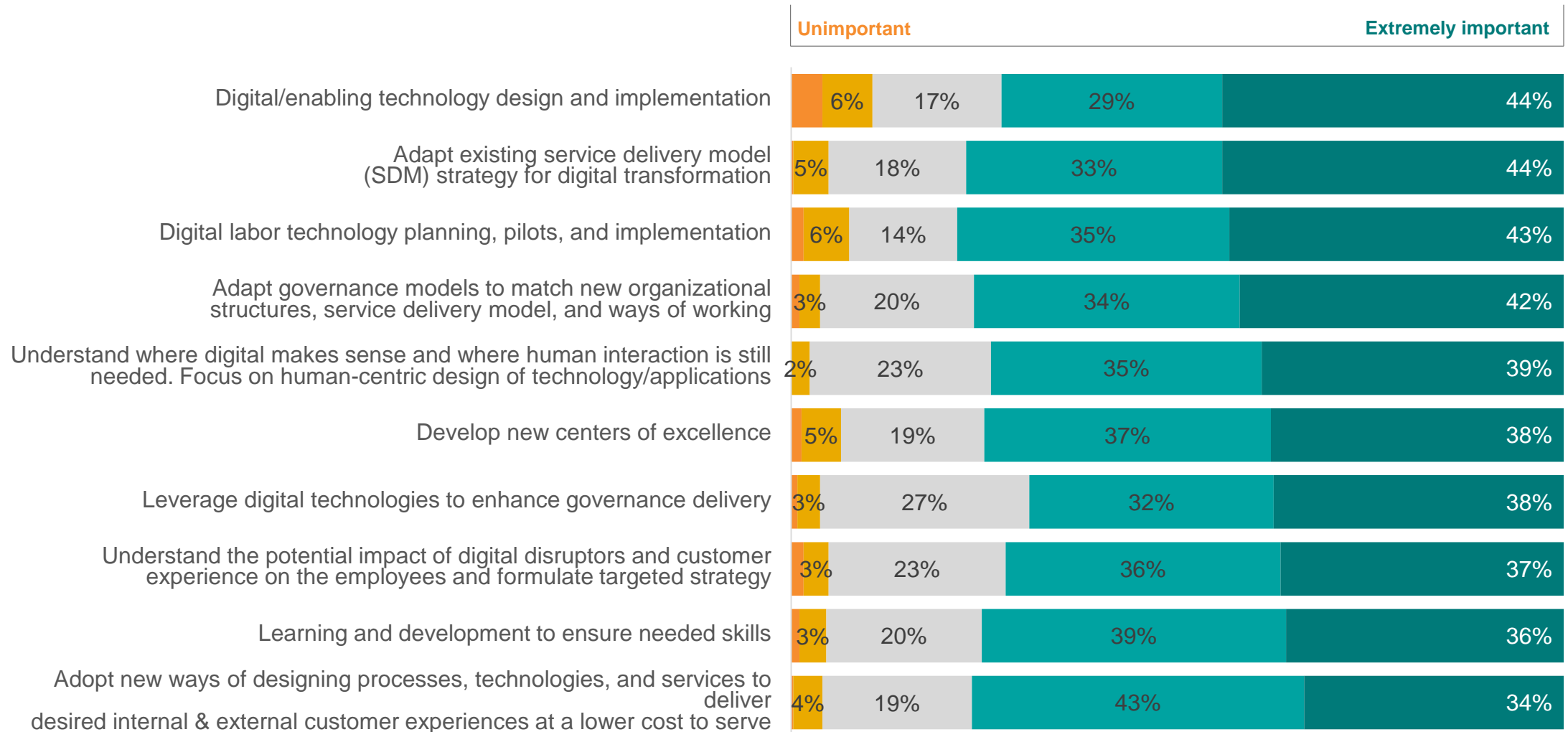
Top investment/focus areas to enable achievement of operational cost saving goals



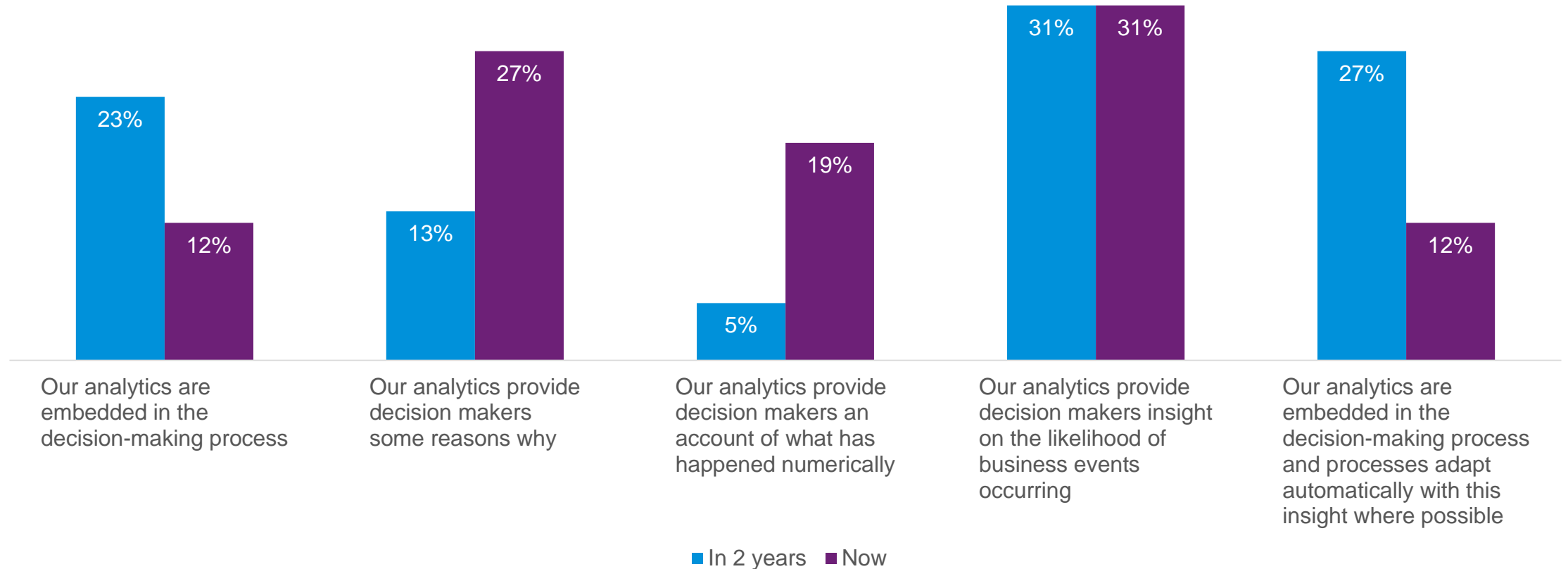
Reliance on internal and external partners to achieve C-suite directives



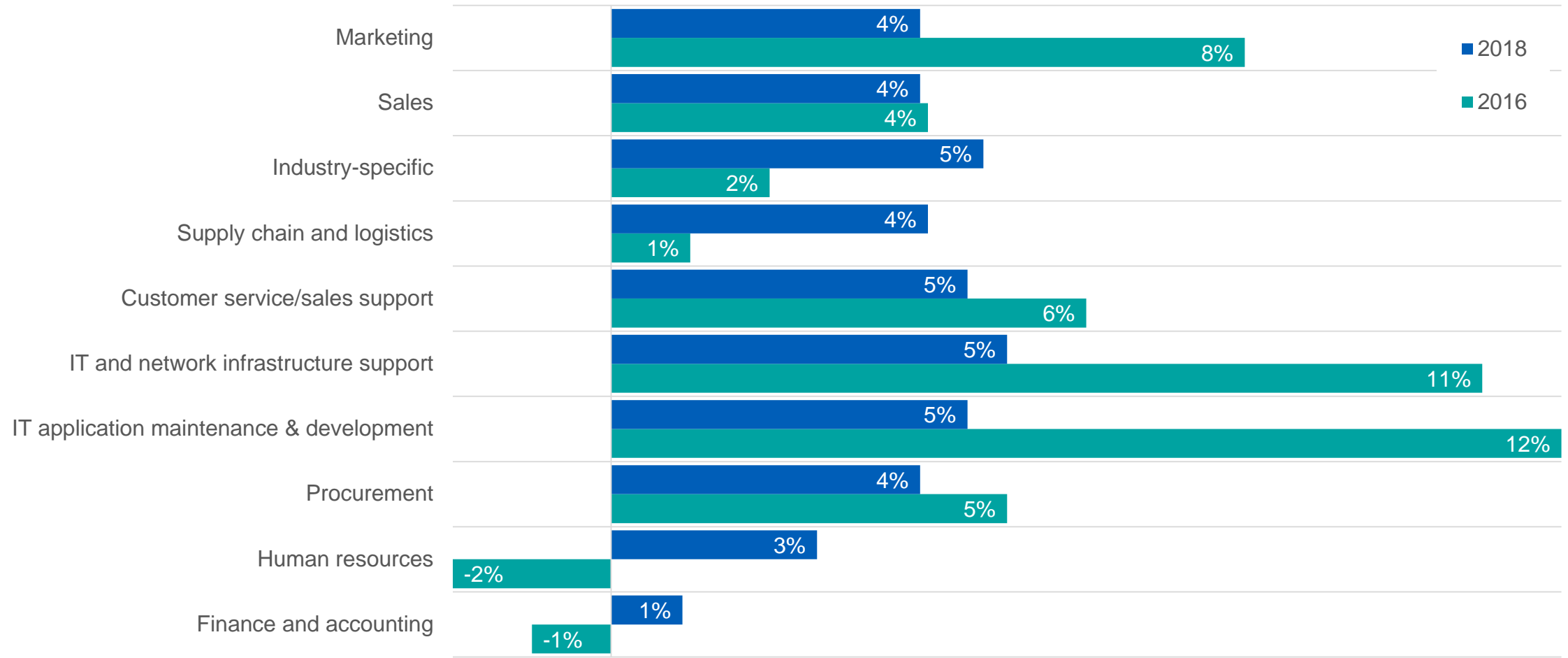
Top means to drive a digital delivery operating model



Focus on using data and analytics shift to improving decision making capabilities



Expected change of offshore usage by function



The impact of intelligent automation

Intelligent automation defined

Intelligent automation (IA)

is an umbrella term for software solutions in the form of robotic process automation, cognitive computing, machine learning, and artificial intelligence that are designed to transform business processes, customer interactions, and overall competitive edge.

Robotic process automation (RPA)

is the application of technology that allows configuring computer software or a "robot" to capture and interpret existing applications for processing a transaction, manipulating data, triggering responses, and communicating with other digital systems.

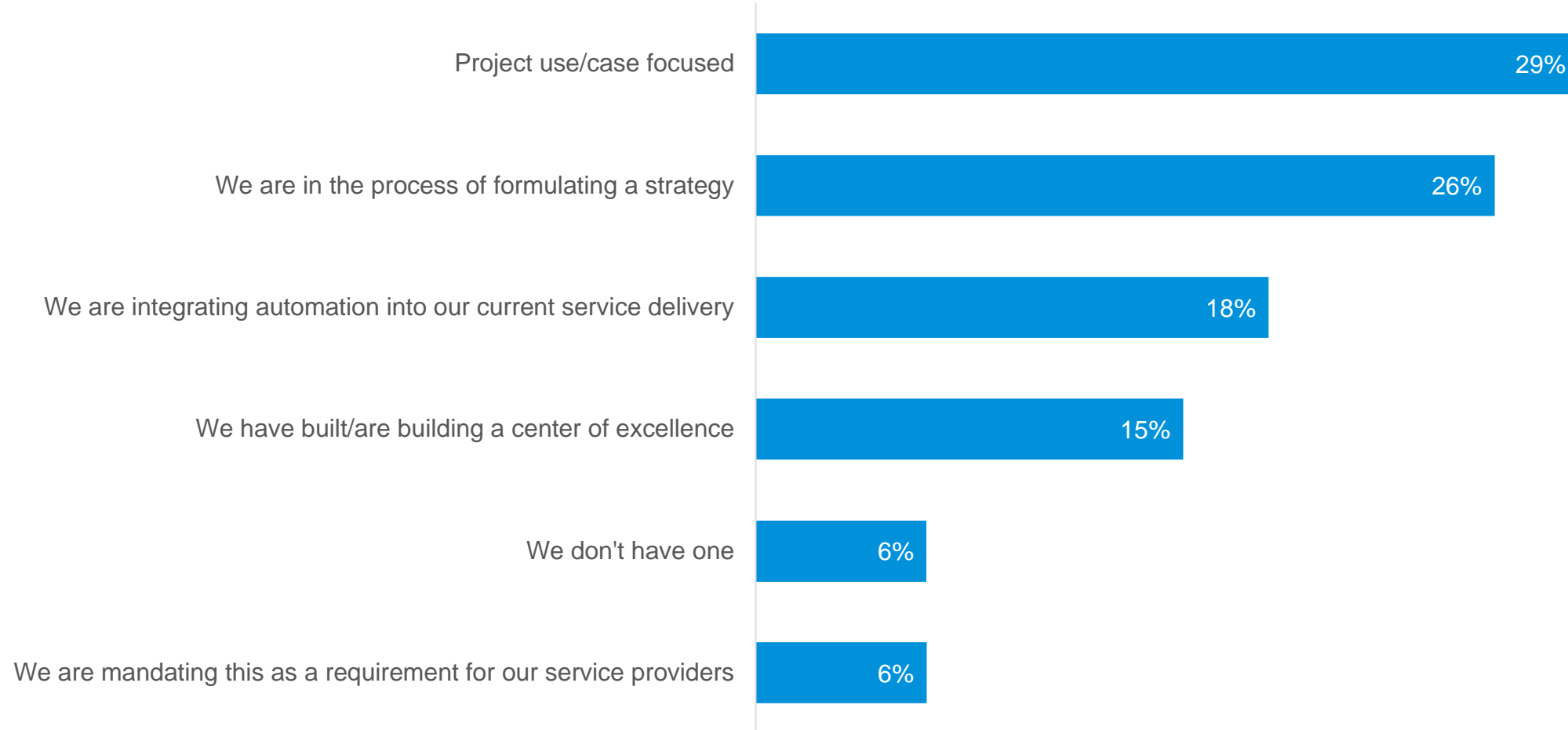
Cognitive computing (CC)

is the simulation of human thought processes in a computerized model. CC involves self-learning systems that use data mining, pattern recognition, and natural language processing to mimic the way the human brain works.

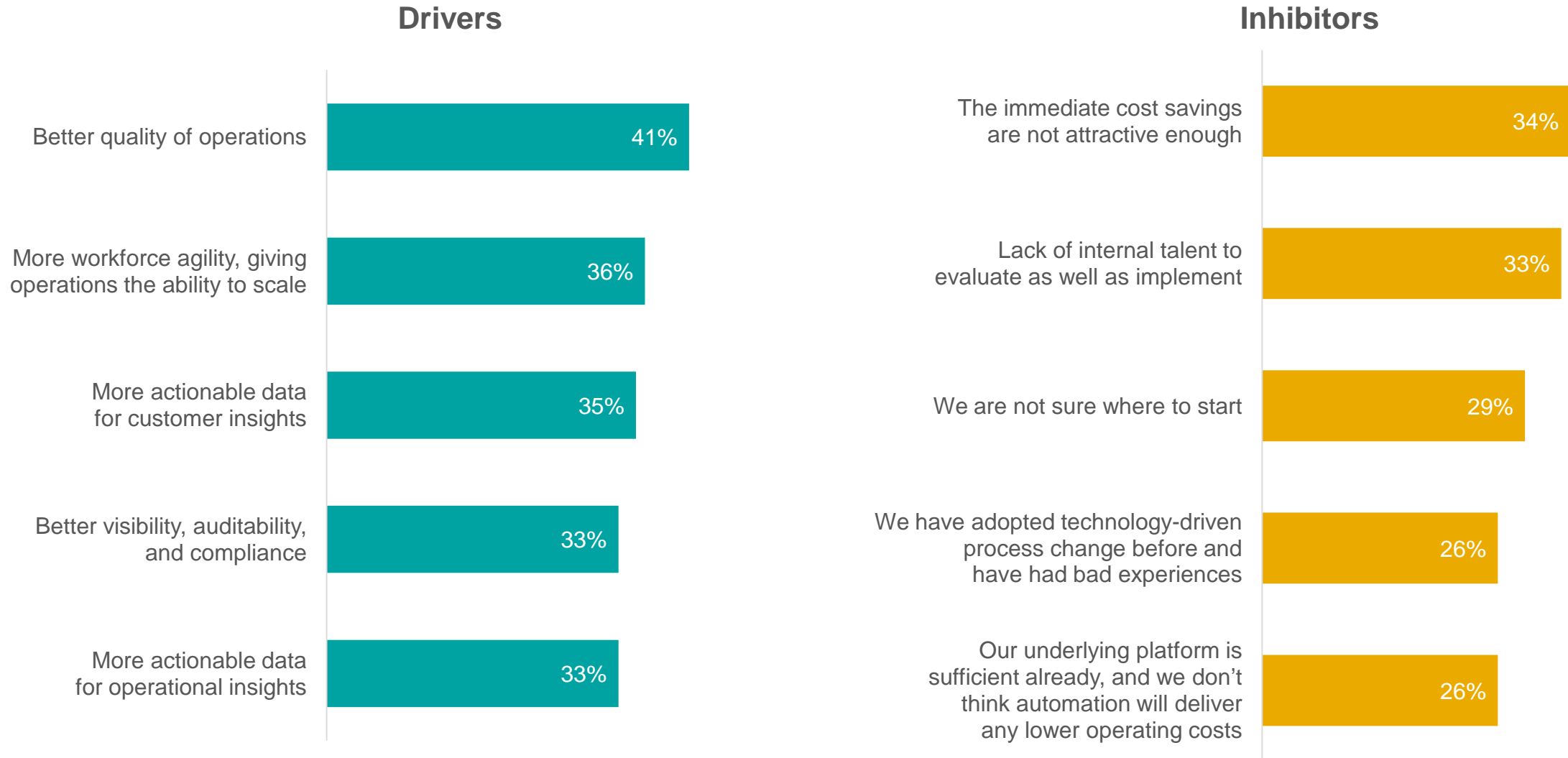
Machine learning (ML) and artificial intelligence (AI)

Analogous to cognitive computing is ML and AI that are the capabilities of a machine to imitate intelligent human behavior.

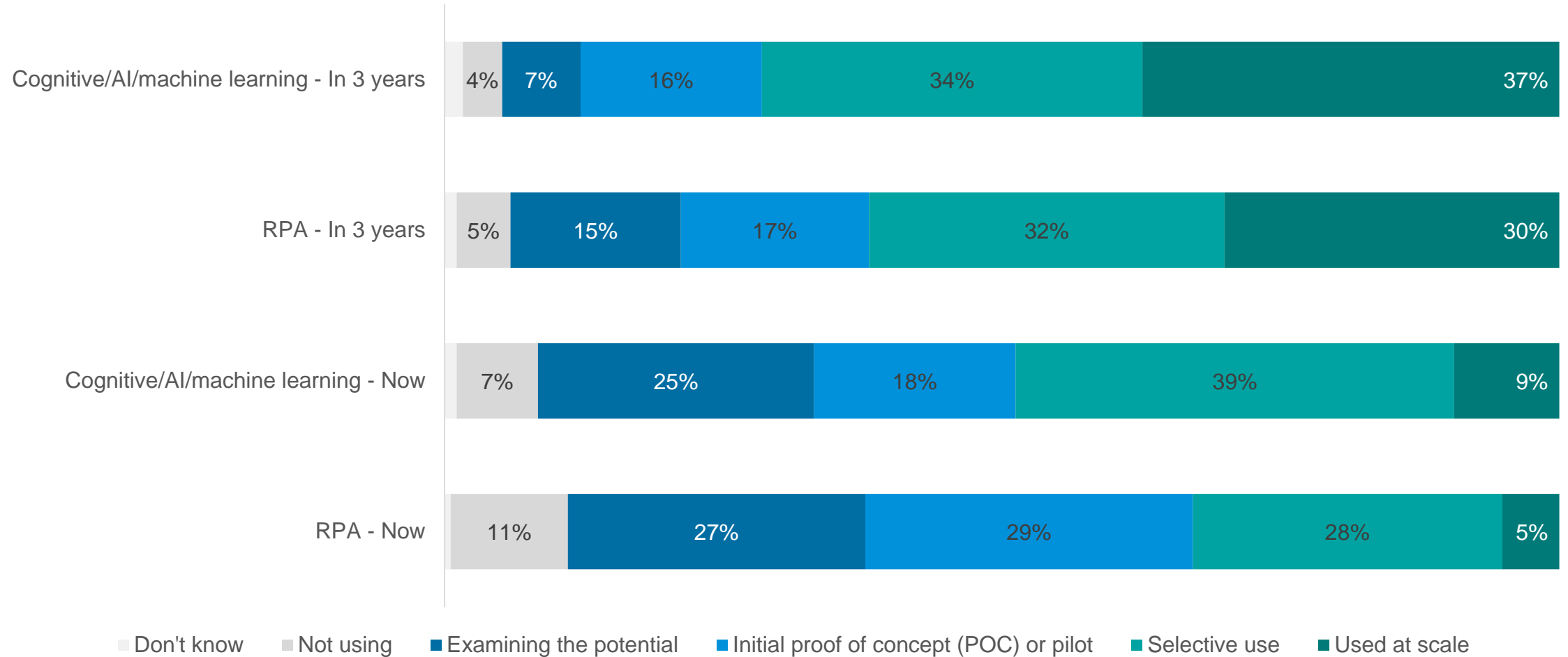
Organizations current automation strategy



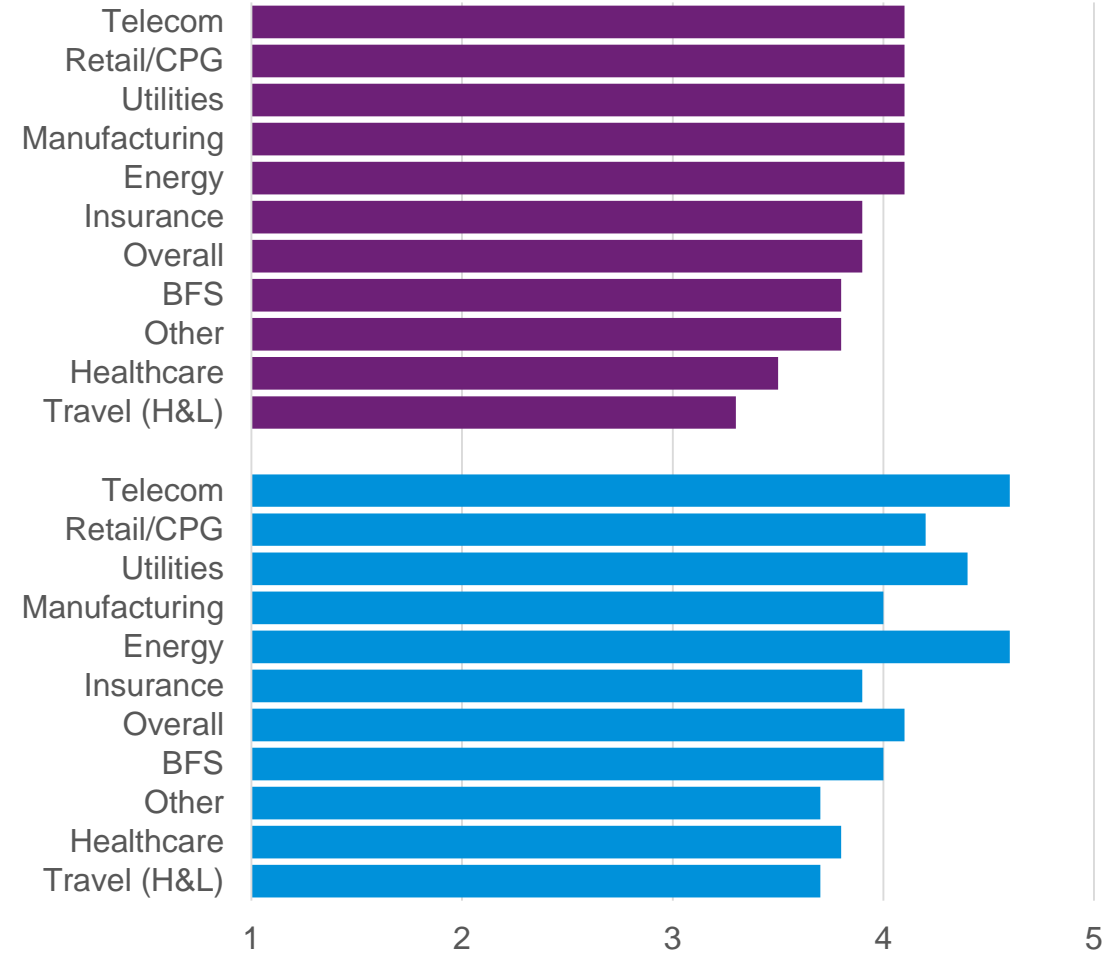
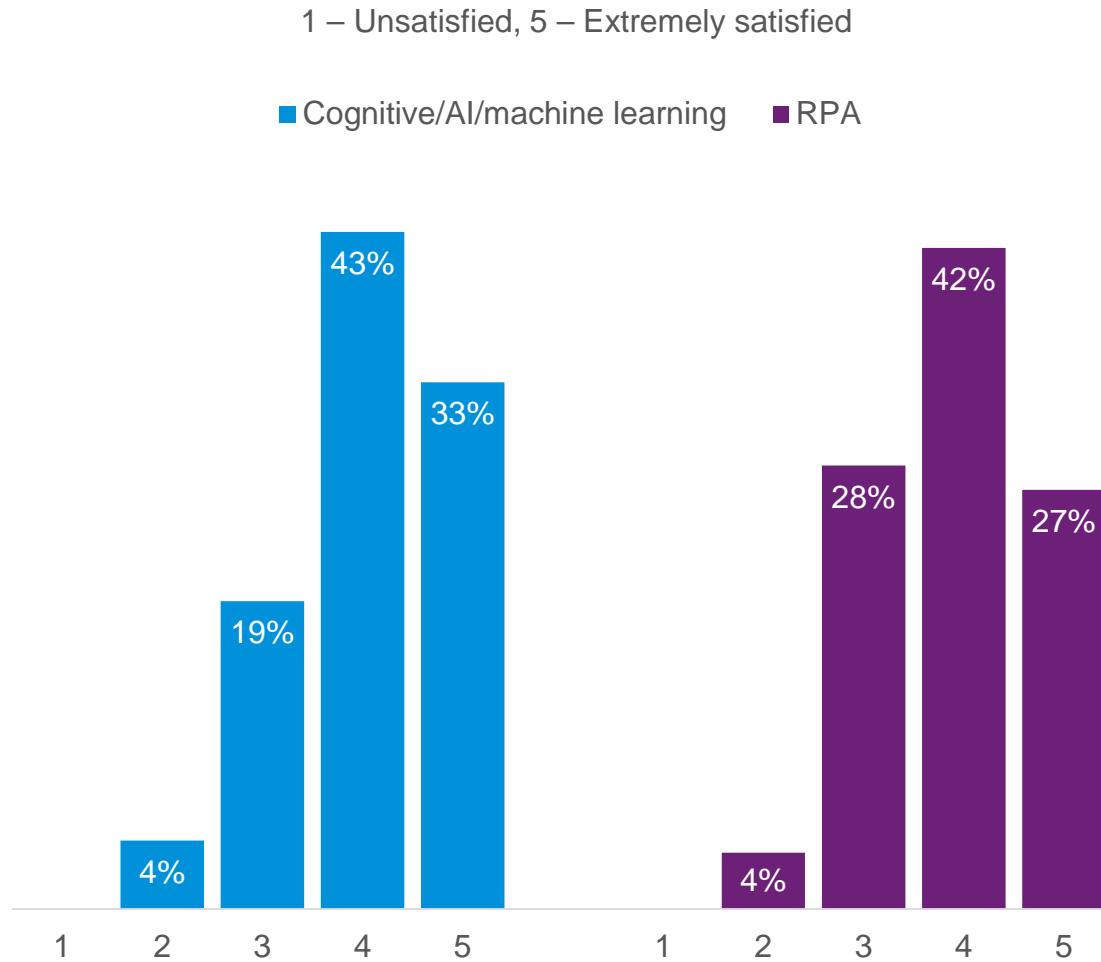
Drivers and inhibitors for the adoption of automation



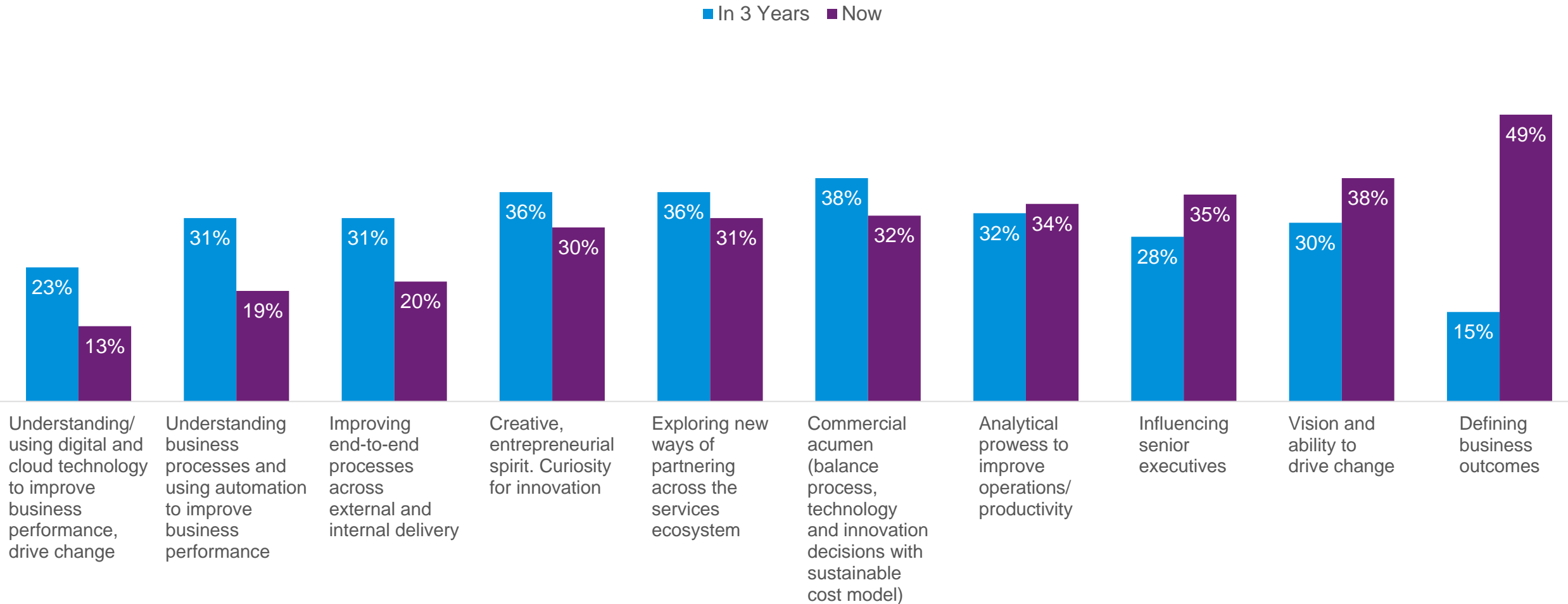
RPA and Cognitive/AI/ML usage plans: now and in three years



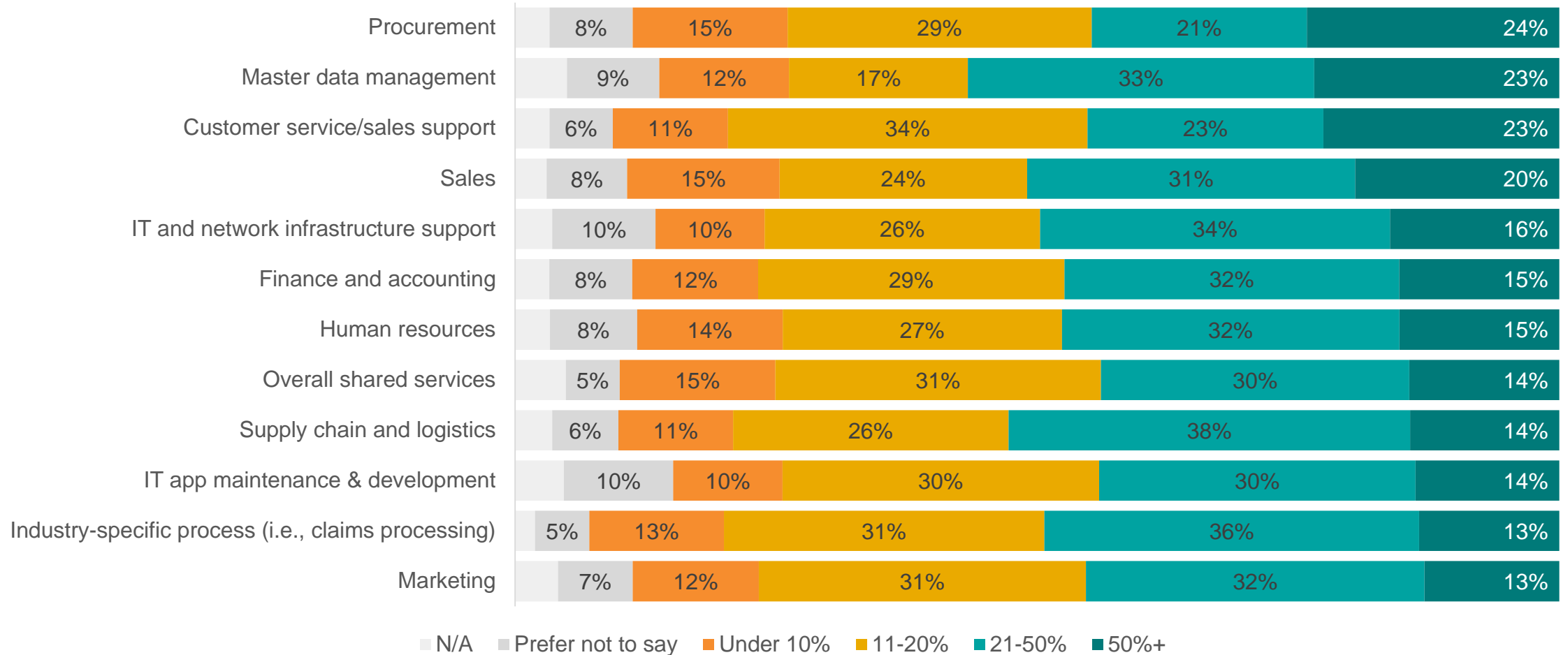
RPA and Cognitive/AI/ML satisfaction levels overall and by industry



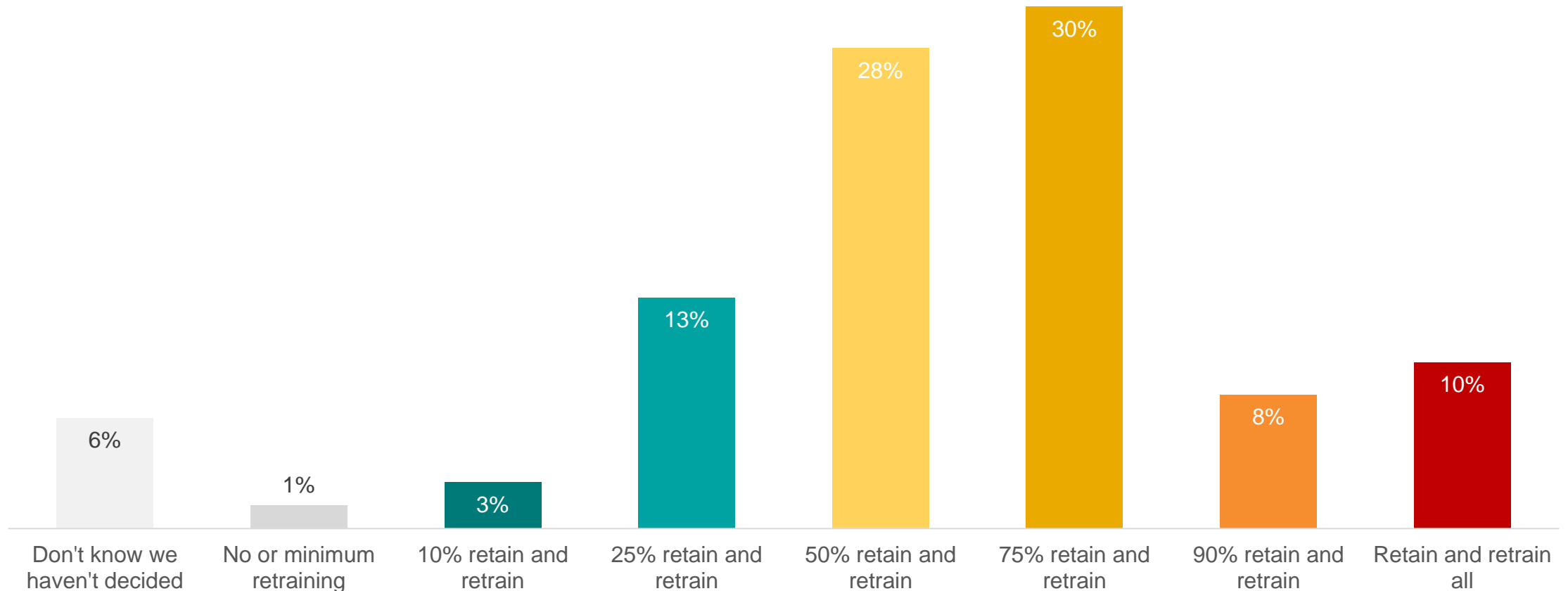
Workforce requirements now and in three years: greater focus on strategic capabilities



Transactional internal roles “significantly” impacted by automation in the next 2 years by function



Retain and retrain plans for staff affected by automation



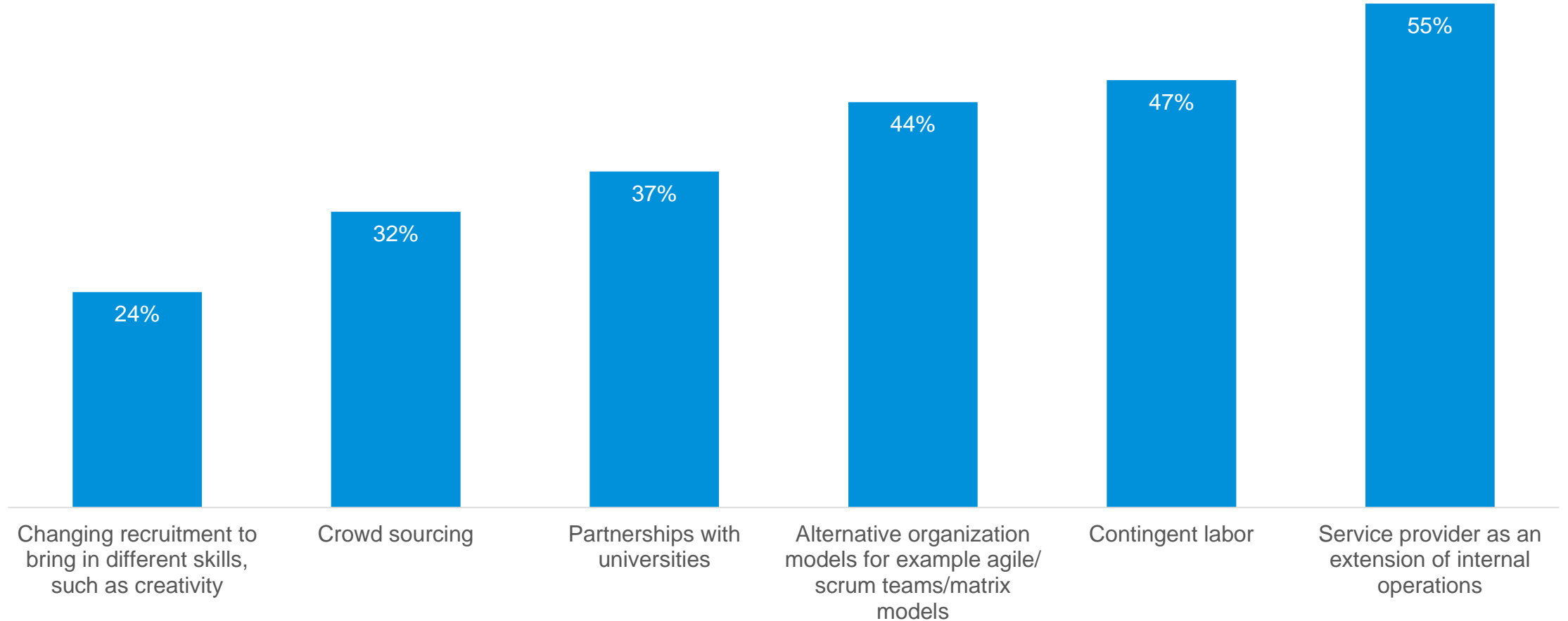
➤ *Realistic goals or wishful thinking?*



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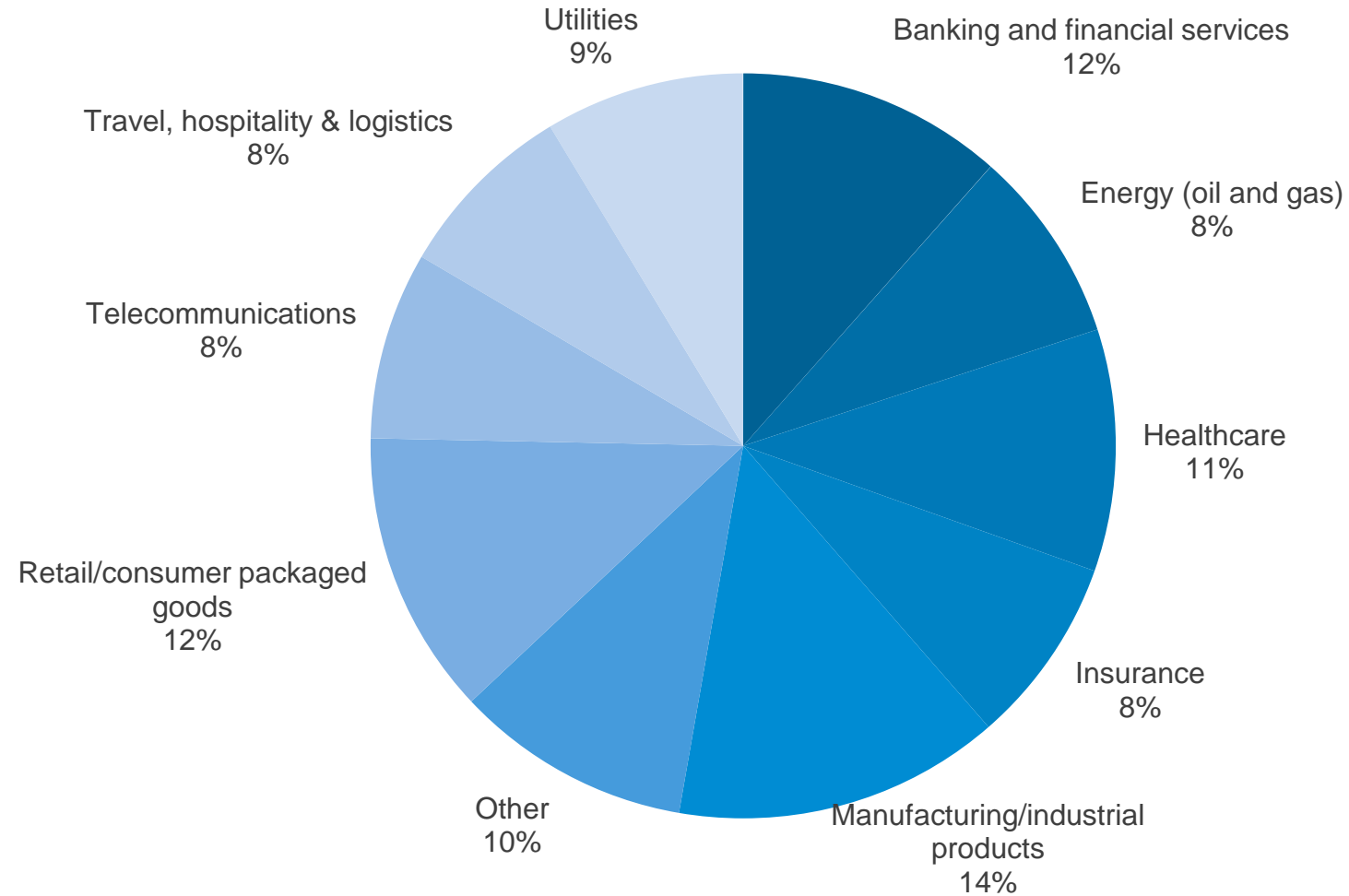
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Sample: Enterprise Buyers = 381

Approaches to augment internal talent pools; emphasis on external resources

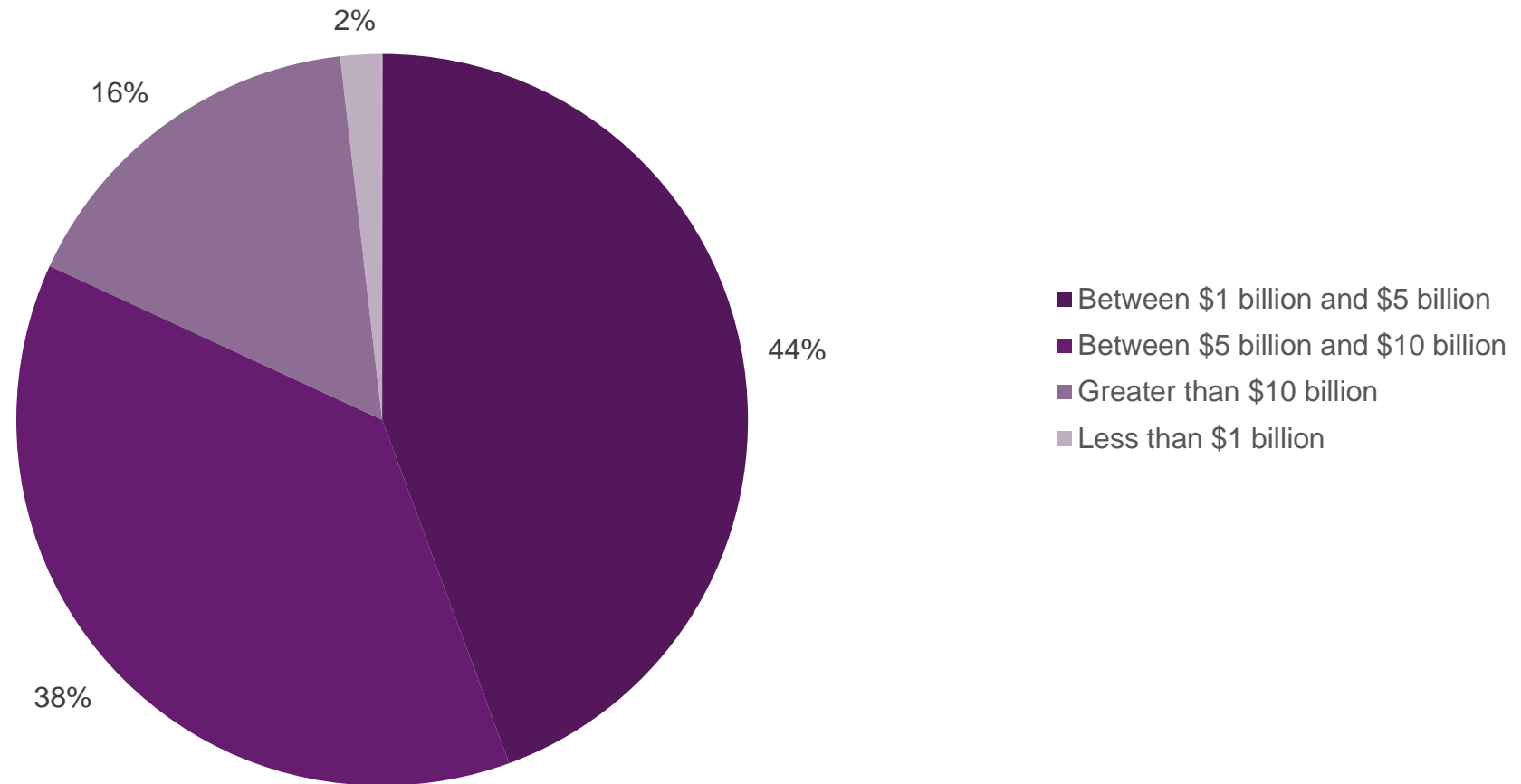


Appendix - about the survey

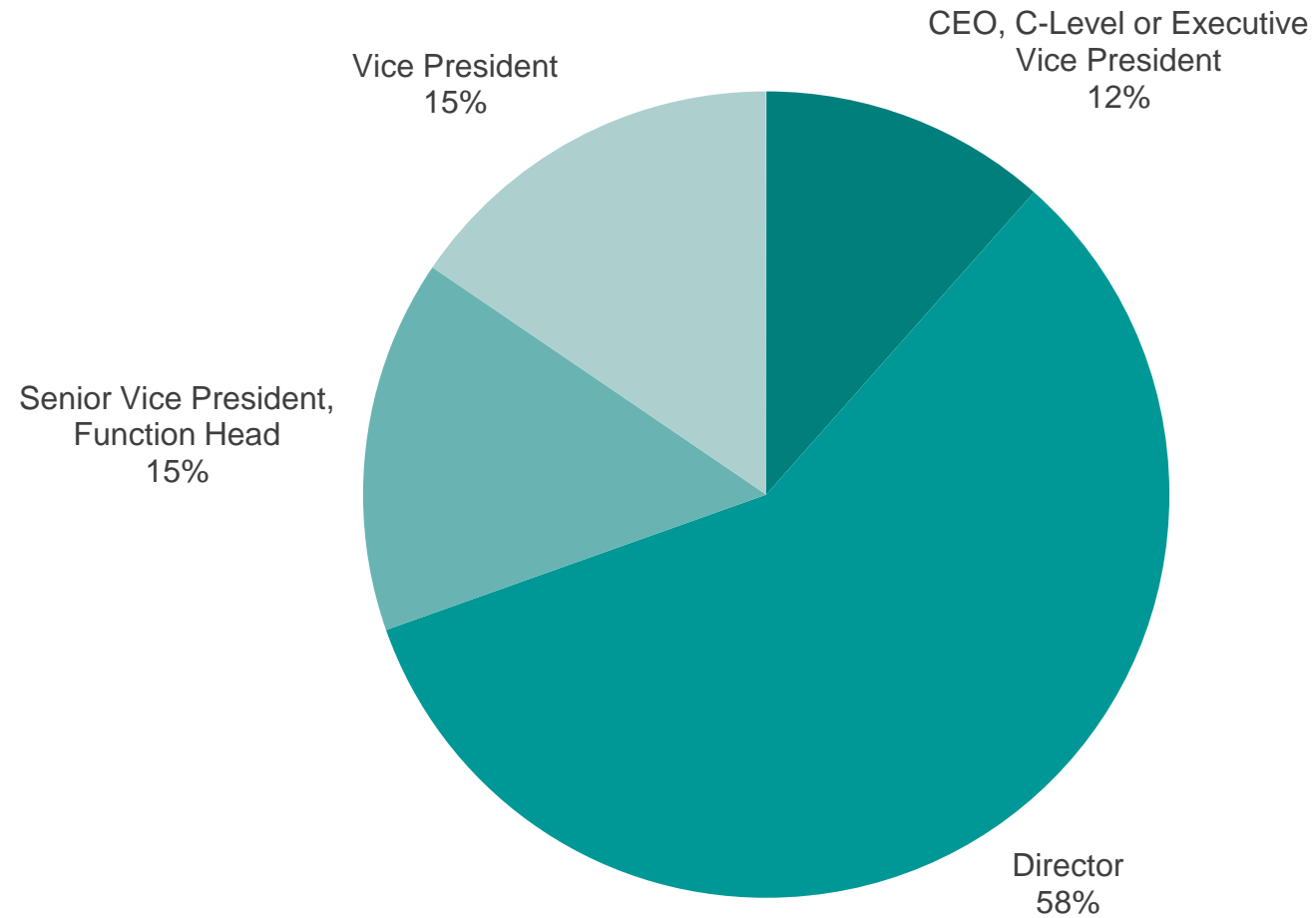
Survey respondents by industry



Survey respondents by company size






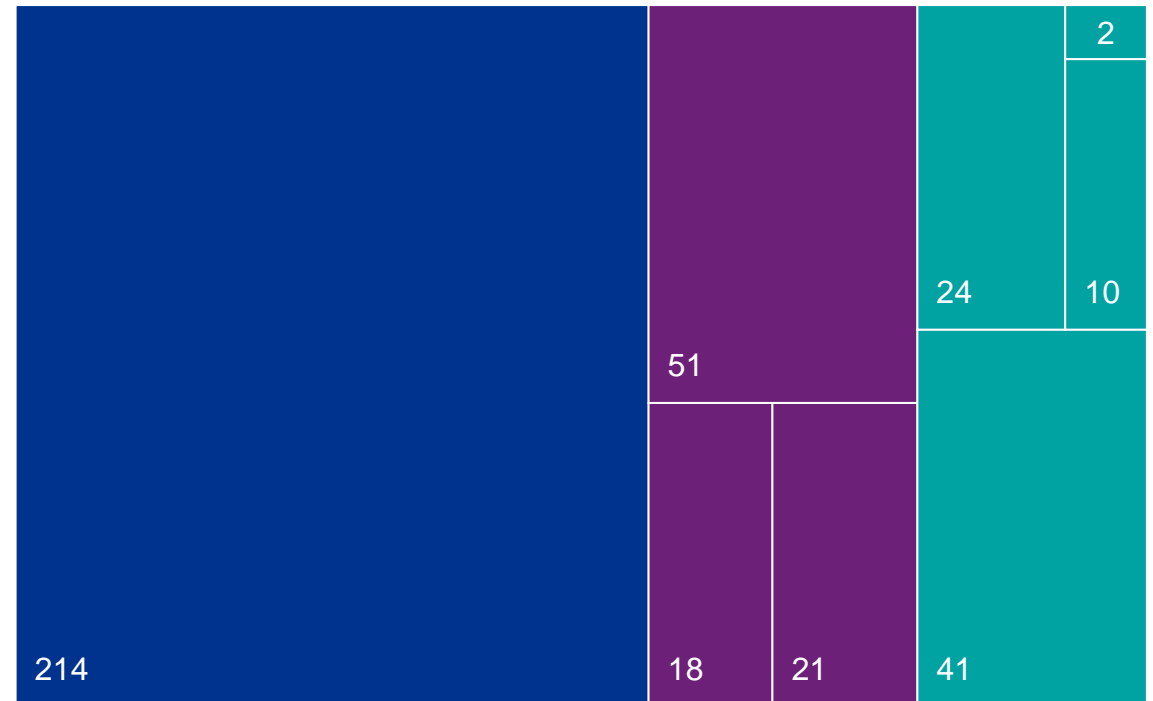
Survey respondents by job title



Survey respondents by region

381 total respondents

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|  | APAC | 90 |
| | Asia | 51 |
| | Australia, New Zealand, or Pacific Islands | 21 |
| | India | 18 |
|  | EMEA | 77 |
| | Africa | 10 |
| | Eastern Europe | 2 |
| | United Kingdom | 41 |
| | Western Europe (excluding UK) | 24 |



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In addition to advising clients, Dave engages senior members of outsourcing service providers' financial and IT delivery teams to establish and implement industry-accepted processes and structures related to outsourcing transactions.

Before joining KPMG in the U.S. through the acquisition of EquaTerra—where he held various senior leadership positions, including one through which he established the Financial Architect and Benchmarking practices, and was a client executive leading large multinational, multifunctional shared service and outsourcing engagements—Dave was a senior advisor at TPI. In that role, he assisted clients with the evaluation, negotiation, implementation and management of IT and business process sourcing initiatives.

Earlier in his career, Dave held various financial and IT positions in the telecom industry, at organizations including Southwestern Bell Information Services, Southwestern Bell Directory Operations, Ameritech Advertising Services, and Bell Canada.

Representative experience

- Led a large pharmaceutical company through a global IT outsourcing transition involving transitions with total contract value in excess of \$1 billion
- Led a global finance and accounting outsourcing transaction and global shared service design/build and implementation for a global pharmaceutical company
- Provided financial and negotiation support for Unilever's finance and accounting outsourcing deal (Europe and North America)
- Led an assessment of Brazilian telecom's IT operations, outsourcing, and joint venture options. Led negotiations with third-party provider
- Led a large U.S. oil and gas company through a finance and accounting outsourcing transaction, providing overall leadership and financial support

KPMG Shared Services & Outsourcing Advisory

Who we are

KPMG helps clients **transform business services** to improve value, increase agility and create sustainable performance.



We bring a specialized global team of **more than 1,100 professionals** who blend insight and operational talent to help our client design, build and manage multi-functional business processes.

1,100+
professionals



We **focus on strategies** that you can implement.



We put the strategy **within the context** of practical execution.

As a leading firm in **transformative service delivery model strategy**,



KPMG helps clients leverage alternative delivery models to **improve value, increase agility, and create sustainable performance.**

What we do



We help clients align a business services model with an **emphasis on common processes, technology and SERVICES** on an **ENTERPRISE DELIVERY PLATFORM.**



Alternative service delivery models can represent a **transformational journey** in business services.

While there are common design principles, there is no “one-size-fits-all” model and must be **designed to align** and enable company specific priorities.



KPMG Shared Services & Outsourcing Advisory

How we do it

We have a **Tested methodology** that covers various angles of the service delivery model life cycle including **Change Management IT, Governance, Risk & Compliance.**



Transition strategy



Location analysis



Governance organization design



Service delivery model guide



Target operating model framework



Process maturity assessment

We apply **focused research, automation tools, proprietary data, clear business acumen, and a mind set to get quickly to what matters** in providing **objective, actionable and practical answers to clients.**



Why KPMG



Independence:

Solution agnostic, we apply market knowledge and unbiased objective advice to help clients

Tested track record:

In our increasingly complex world, firms find that taking a **holistic view** across their internal support functions can **yield the greatest return.**



Transforming these functions requires the **precision and expertise** of a marketplace leader.

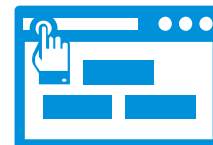


Trusted advisor:

For over 100 years, organizations around the world have **trusted KPMG for our business advice.**

Research-based methodology:

KPMG continues its **ongoing relationship with HfS Research**, a leading research organization in the field of digital labor.



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