





KNOWLEDGE

Learning Objectives

Summarize important considerations of determining the value of a business in preparation of a transaction

Evaluate existing processes and systems

Identify tech stack improvements that can positively impact the value of a business



AREA OF FOCUS

Today, We're Covering

Digital Transformation





FUTURE CONTENT

Stay Tuned!

- 1. Maximize Your Exit Later by Planning for it Today
- 2. Increasing the Value of Your Business through Process & System Improvements
- 3. Preparing Your Financials for the Sale Process
- 4. Preserving Your Wealth Tax Estate Planning Considerations

... And more!



WELCOME

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EXPLORING NEW AREAS

Agenda

- What really drives value?
- Prioritization of process and technology investments
- Technology value driver deep dive
- Realization of benefits
- Q&A



FROM THE

Digital Operating Partners

"Digital transformation supports innovation and invention that, in turn, supports a steeper growth profile—a growth trend that is sustainable because going digital is a structural change, not a short-term blip in cash flow."



Bruce Sinclair

Business & Technology Thought-Leader

Source: Digital Operating Partner Book



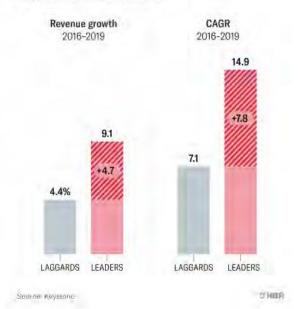
WILL INVESTMENTS IN PROCESS & TECHNOLOGY REALLY IMPROVE VALUATION?

What Really Drives Value?



Digital Transformation Pays Off

We studied 150 companies in a range of industries and found that revenue growth and compound annual growth rate among the leaders (the top quartile) in tech intensity were more than double that of the laggards (the bottom quartile).





THE IMPORTANCE OF PROCESS & TECHNOLOGY IN M&A ACTIVITY HAS INCREASED IN IMPORTANCE

What Investors Are Saying



I need to consider the technology stack and how challenging it might be to integrate with the platform entity



We're willing to invest in technology to achieve growth and efficiency



It's a struggle to get good financial data, and that impacts the overall deal value for us



An organization who has a team with some technical capabilities can be a big asset



HOW SHOULD YOU DETERMINE WHAT TO FOCUS ON & WHAT WILL RESULT IN BIGGEST IMPACT?

Prioritization of Process & Technology Investments

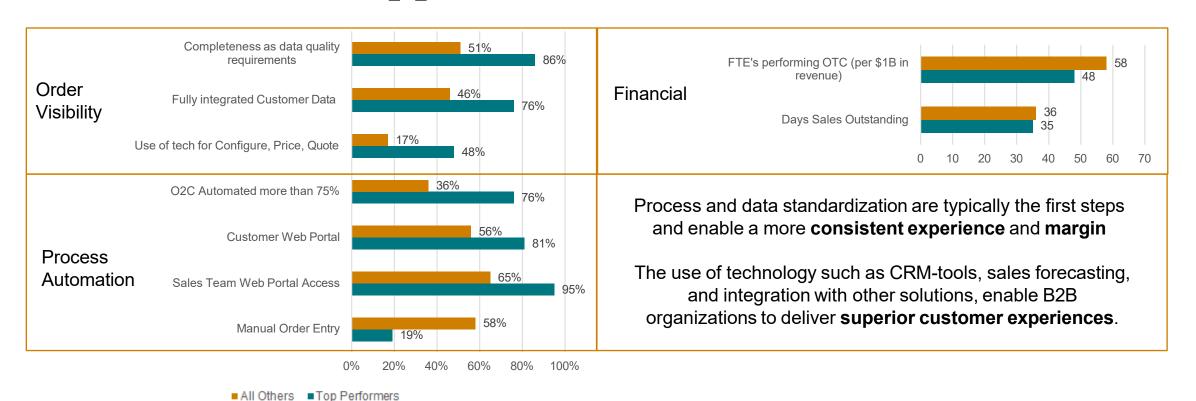


- Lead to Quote
- Quote/Order to Cash
- Sales Intelligence
- Target Marketing
- Customer Service
- Cashflow
- Record to Report
- Chart of Accounts
- Source to Pay
- Supply Planning
- Stock to Dock
- Industry-specific operations



POTENTIAL IMPACT OF PROCESS IMPROVEMENT & TECHNOLOGY

Order to Cash Opportunities





Client Journey

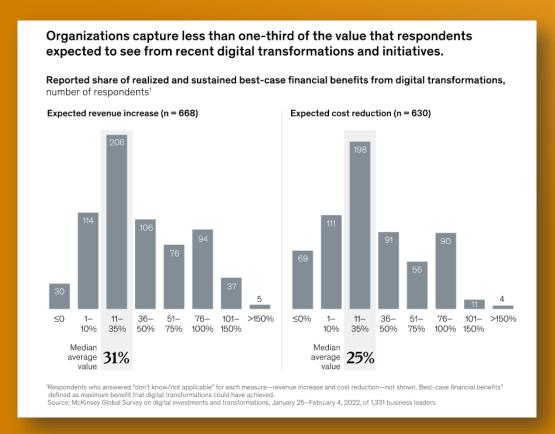
BUSINESS ANALYTICS & AUTOMATION





HOW CAN YOU MAXIMIZE BENEFITS FROM TRANSFORMATIVE INITIATIVES?

Realization of Benefits



Top economic performers are already investing disproportionately in key technology capabilities and their own tech assets.

Top economic performers All other respondents → Gap

Digital-technology capabilities in which organization has invested, % of respondents²

Rapid adoption of public cloud 28 → 44

Clear, company-wide data strategy 17 → 40

Well-established agile and DevOps practices 16 → 32

Consistent use of design thinking to enhance user experience 12 → 30

Automated processes for testing and deploying tech 9 → 19



FOUR STRATEGY PILLARS THAT DRIVE PROJECT BENEFITS REALIZATION

Improve Probability of Success



People

- Identification and alignment of strategic goals for exec sponsors, stakeholders, and implementation resources
- Change risk
 assessment and
 guidance to increase
 stakeholder engagement
 and change readiness
- Change communication strategy that increases awareness, understanding, and support



Process

- ✓ Identification of transformation targets and redesign opportunities to guide implementation priorities
- ✓ Value Stream Process
 Mapping for process
 performance baselining
 and benchmarking to
 measure transformation
 benefits
- ✓ Scope analysis and prioritization advisory to identify best/quickest path to benefits realization



Technology

- Holistic solutions architecture strategy assessment, & strategy development
- ✓ Integrated platform strategy adoption to reduce client-specific software customizations
- ✓ Implementation strategy and prioritization to reduce project risks, change adoption, project complexity, and benefits realization delays



Data

- ✓ Identification and prioritization of KPI's, Operational Metrics, and reporting & analytics goals
- Data management and governance assessment and strategy development
- ✓ Business Intelligence
 Roadmap development to
 align priorities and goals
 with business
 transformation journey
- ✓ Identification of best-fit data migration strategy to increase project success



THREE KEY STEPS & TACTICAL ACTIONS TO GET STARTED

Getting Started

Key Steps

Considerations

Assess: Understand your existing technology stack and the impact it could have on your valuation



- ☐ Define a data governance plan and a strategy to use it. Consider what insights you want to gather
- ☐ Know the impact on your business processes due to your technology and where the tech debt is greatest
- Consider what is holding you back from more growth opportunities

Select and Implement: Find the right balance of tools and process changes that can maximize your valuation within the timeframe you want to exit



- Identify technology that enables strategic differentiation of a product or service. There are many tools and processes that can help gain a deeper understanding of your customer base and how and why they use your product and/or service
- ☐ Consider the trade-off's a low-cost automation and a right-sized ERP

Build the Team: Shopping is not a strategy. Ensure benefits of any investments are achievable by investing in key team members



- ☐ Educate and bring ideas to the leadership team
- ☐ Define a company-wide data strategy and leverage change management tools to ensure adoption
- ☐ Train key team members in IT Project methodologies such as agile, devops, design-thinking, and lean-six sigma

Q&A



Thank You for Attending!

Additional Questions?

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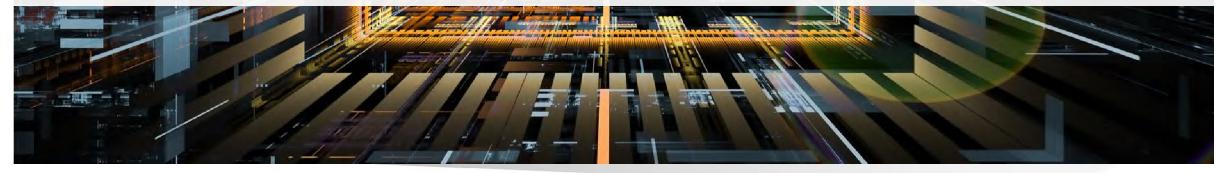
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