"IBM runs our computer center as it's supposed to be run—as a profit center, not a cost center."

Kathy Hudson, Kodak

Source: *Fortune* article

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"I haven't lost 200 people, I've gained 50,000."

Jack Livingston,
National Car Rental

Source: *Fortune* article

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Outsourcing is the contracting of information systems processes to external vendors.

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IS Outsourcing Areas

1. Systems operations
2. Applications management
3. Network operations
4. Desktop services

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"Outsourcing" vs. Buying Services

- Greater commitment on part of buyer
- "Partnership"
- Responsibility/risk for vendors

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Driving Forces—Outsourcing

Category	Outsourcing
Staff	Scarcity of talents
Technology	Increasing complexity New technology

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Driving Forces—Outsourcing

Category	Outsourcing
Response	Service requirements Flexible operations
Financial	Cost reduction New scales of economy
Management	Executive refocus

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Inhibiting Factors
Outsourcing

Category	Outsourcing
Management	Loss of control
Fallback	Inability to reverse decision

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Inhibiting Factors Outsourcing

Category	Outsourcing
Financial	Uncertain savings
Staff	Threat to organization

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Outsourcing
User Issues

- Business environment
  - Critical value of information
  - Organizational impact
  - Flexibility for change

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Outsourcing
User Issues

- Operating environment
  - Dependency on vendor
  - Long-term stability
  - Improved service levels
  - Control over operating costs

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Outsourcing

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Conclusions

- Outsourcing is revolutionary
  - Functional responsibility to vendor
  - Increased dependence for clients
  - Increased risk for vendor

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Conclusions

- Outsourcing is revolutionary
  - Vendor/client partnerships
  - Vendor success tied to client success
  - Vendor provides all services

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Conclusions

- Outsourcing revolution continues
  - Deals are getting bigger
  - Larger vendors most successful
  - More services being outsourced

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The Outsourcing Revolution

A new way of doing business . . . better

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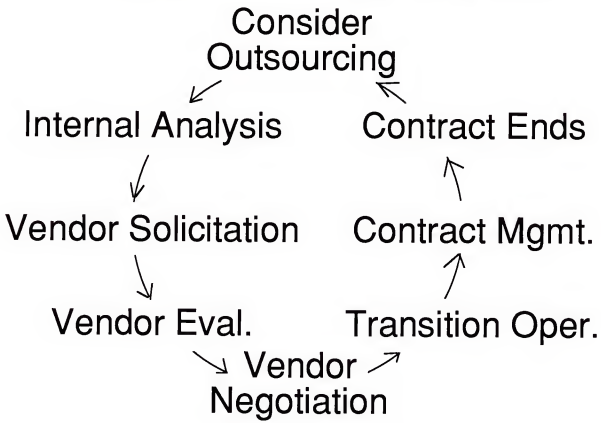
Outsourcing Cycle



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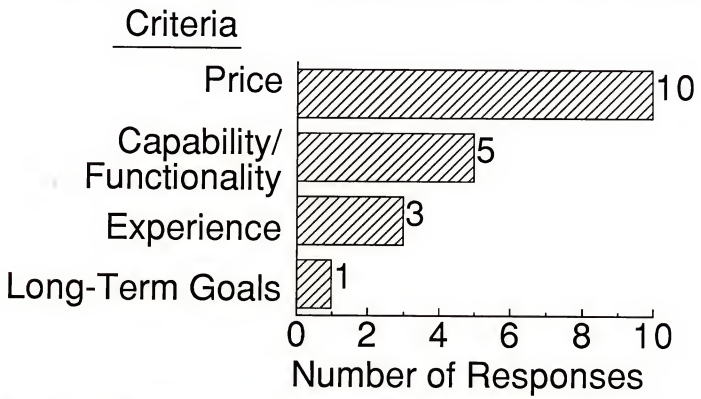

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Note: 13 respondents answered the question

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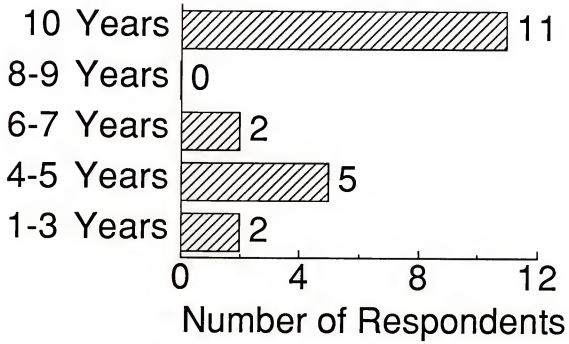

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Average contract length: 7.7 years

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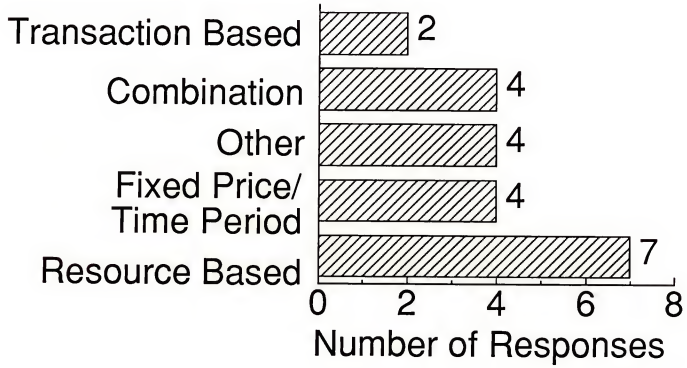

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Outsourcing of Network Management

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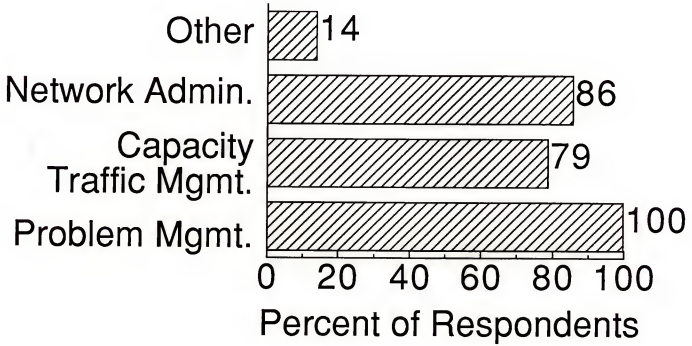

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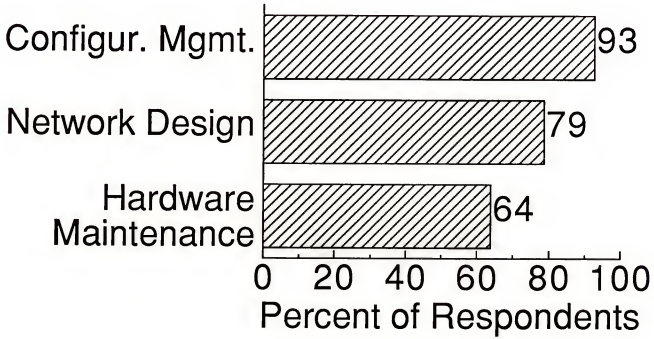

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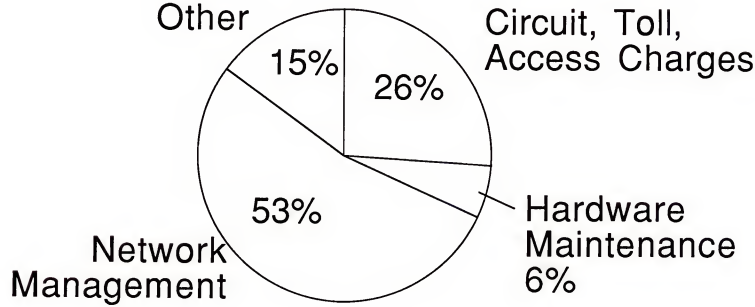

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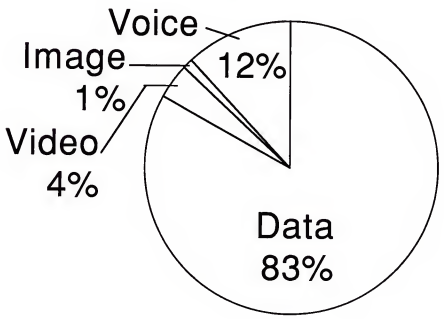
Network Management Market



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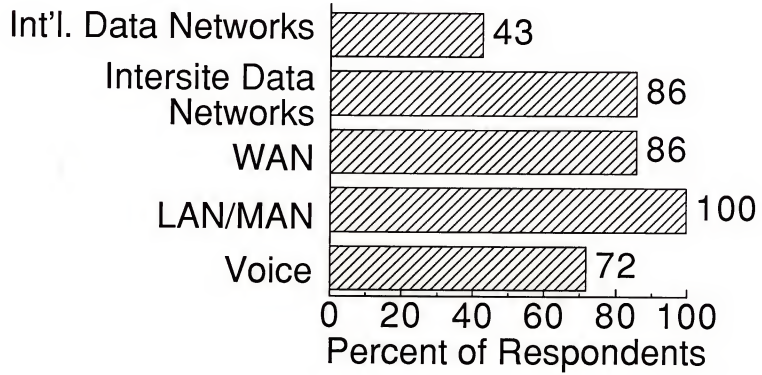
User Networks Outsourced



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Desktop Services

A Key Outsourcing Opportunity

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Elements of Desktop Services

- PC/workstation and software procurement/installation
- PC/workstation maintenance
- Client/server management

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Elements of Desktop Services

- LAN administration
- LAN expansion
- Help desk functions
- User training

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Elements of Desktop Services

- LAN installation and expansion
- LAN management
- Network interface management

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Elements of Desktop Services

- Logistics management
- User support
- Help desk functions
- User training and education

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Desktop Services Providers
Current

- EDS
- DEC
- ISSC
- SHL Systemhouse
- Computerland
- JWP

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Desktop Services Providers

- Potential
  - Integris
  - Bell Atlantic
  - Sears Business Center

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Desktop Services User Concerns

- Core Business Focus
- Downsizing
- PC/LAN Based Applications
- Technological Change

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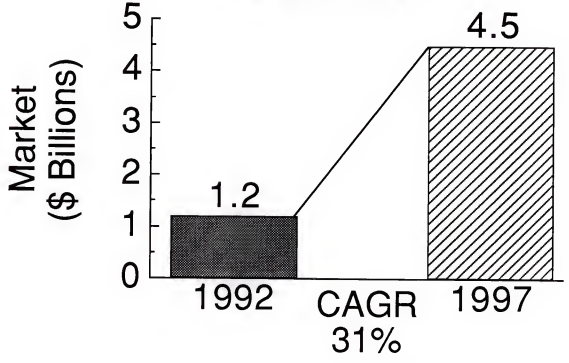
U.S. Desktop Services Market



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Typical Desktop Contracts in the U.S.

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JWP/Kodak

- Part III of large outsourcing contract (ISSC/DEC)
- Provide
  - PC/workstation maintenance
  - Software upgrade
  - Help desk services

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EDS/GE

- Contract valued at $500 million (5 yrs.)
- Provides:
  - PC/workstation central purchasing
  - Establishment of product specs
  - PC/workstation maintenance
  - Software upgrade and training
  - Help desk

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DEC/Blockbuster Video

- International contract
- Provides:
  - Implementation and start-up service
  - Connectivity to network
  - Help desk
  - Hardware and software upgrade

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ISSC/Zale Corp.

- Part of large outsourcing contract
- Provides:
  - PC/workstation maintenance
  - Software upgrade
  - Help desk

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ISSC/Zale Corp.

- Part of large outsourcing contract
- Provides:
  - PC/workstation maintenance
  - Software upgrade
  - Help desk

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Benefits of Desktop Services

- Clients regain control over PCs
- Management shifts to vendor
- Expenses are predictable
- Enhancements easier to implement
- Standards are a by-product

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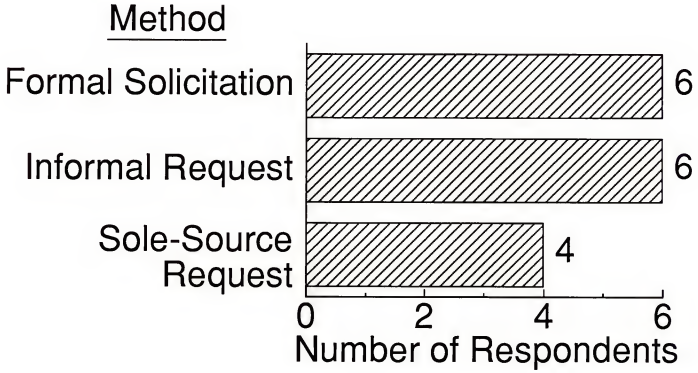
Vendor Solicitation Methods



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Information Systems Outsourcing

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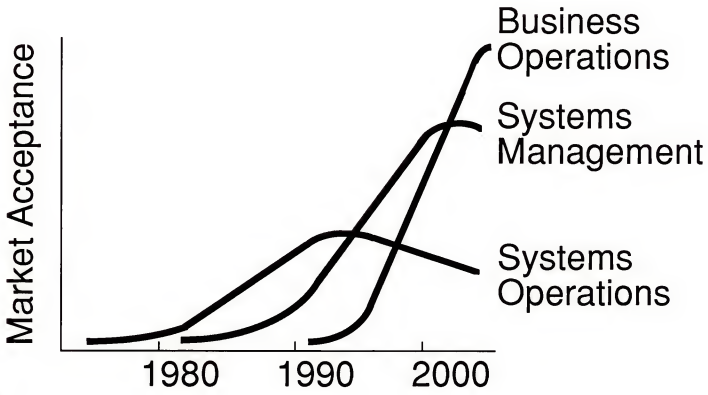
Outsourcing Market Waves



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U.S. Outsourcing Market Forecast

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Outsourcing Market Trends/Issues

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Major Contracts

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Outsourcing Contracting and Pricing

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Value Pricing Concept

- Three components
  - Audience
  - Determine benefit
  - Cost of achieving benefit
- EDS and DEC

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Market Diversification

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Business Operations Outsourcing

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Transition Outsourcing

- Vendor manages current systems operations
- Client develops new systems
- Client transitions to new systems environment

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Transition Outsourcing

- Tool for management of change
- Controlled phase-out approach
- Management of existing operations
- Short-term agreement

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Typical Transition Contracts

Client	Vendor	Value ($M)
Dial Corp.	Andersen	10
Revlon, Inc.	Andersen	2
Penrod Drilling	EDS	2
Combustion Engr.	Power	1
Freeport-McMoran	ISSC (?)	10*

*Estimate

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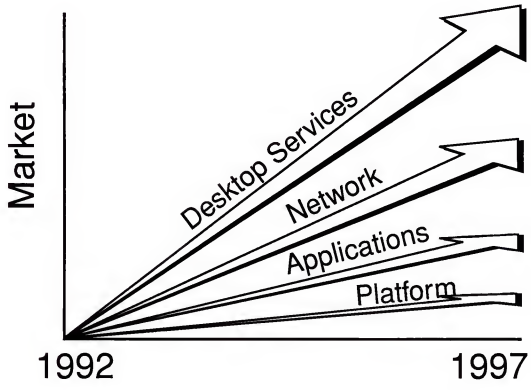
Changing Outsourcing Options



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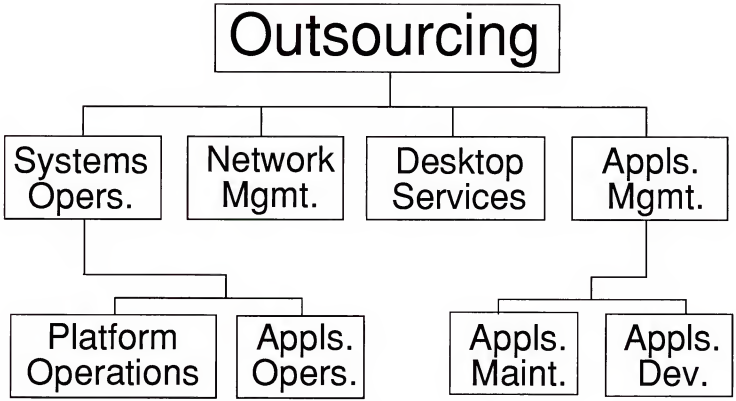

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Drivers to Desktop Services

- Whole environment is new and complex
- IS departments lack skills, coverage and inclination
- Users lack skills and inclination
- Third parties are acceptable

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Opportunities for Desktop Services Suppliers

- Become equipment/software suppliers
- Direct contract with users creates SI/professional services opportunties

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Opportunities for Desktop Services Suppliers

- Considerable 'add-on' potential, including
  - Telecommunication systems
  - Office (e.g., image) systems

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Introduction

- Changing outsourcing options
- Outsourcing strategies
- Impact of downsizing on outsourcing
- User concerns
- Vendor directions and strategies
- Conclusions/recommendations

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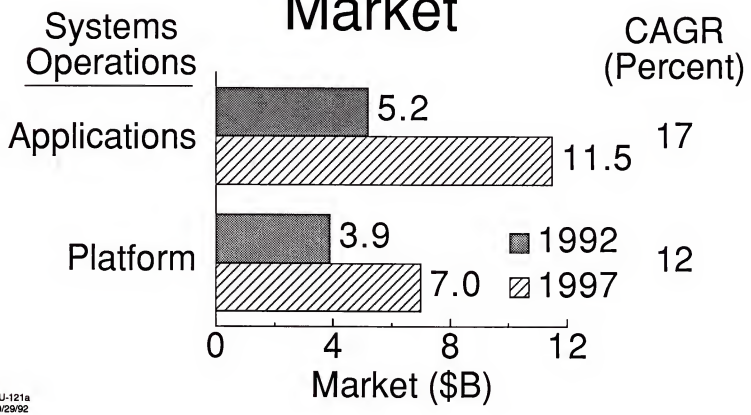
Changing Outsourcing Market



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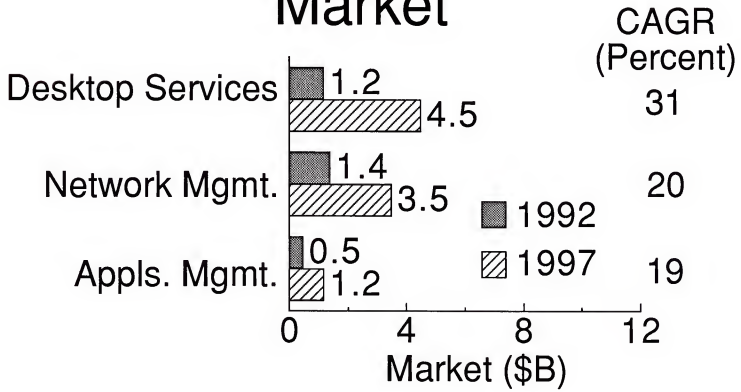
Changing Outsourcing Market



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Current Outsourcing Strategies

- Economic strategy
- Service enhancement

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New Outsourcing Strategies

- Transition strategy
- Change agent
- Business strategy

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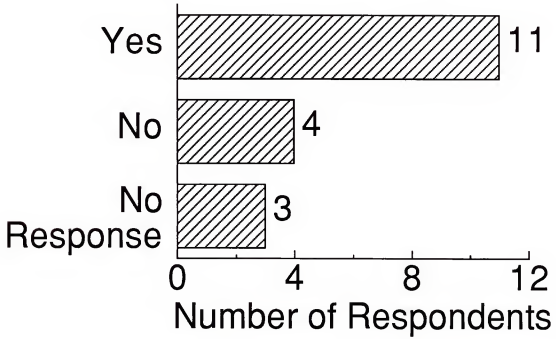
Both Outsourcing and Downsizing Viable?



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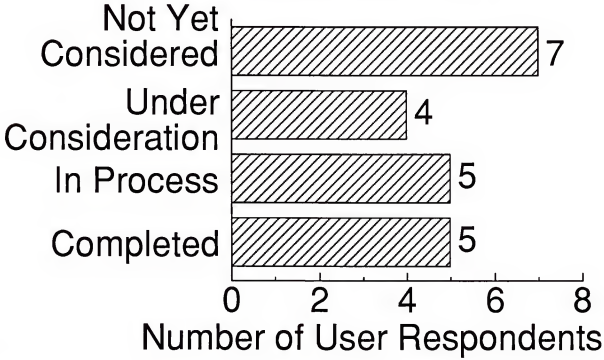
Impact of Downsizing on Outsourcing



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Vendor Challenges

- Provide full service range
- Maintain flexible organization
- Meet growing network requirements
- Educate users on expectations

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User Concerns

- Define requirements clearly
- Re-engineer business operations
- Control IT resources
- Keep up with technology change

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Vendor Strategies

- Ride the downsizing wave…
  - Applications management
  - Network management
  - Desktop services

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Conclusions

- Downsizing provides outsourcing opportunities
  - Short term
    - Transition management

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Conclusions

- Downsizing provides outsourcing opportunities
  - Long term
    - Desktop services
    - Network management
    - Applications management

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Conclusions

- Outsourcing vendors to assume new roles
  - System integrator
  - Network manager
  - Business manager

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Introduction

- Elements of desktop services
- Market size
- User requirements/concerns
- Vendor strategies
- Conclusions and recommendations

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Elements of Desktop Services

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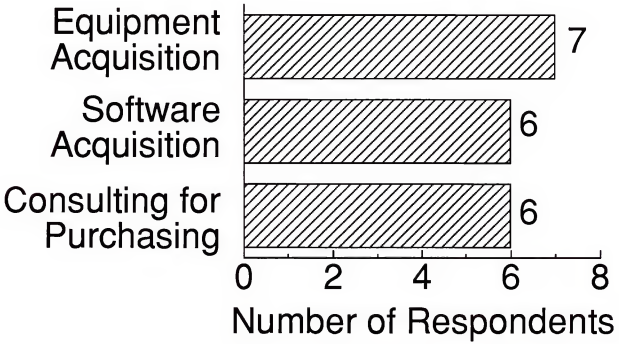

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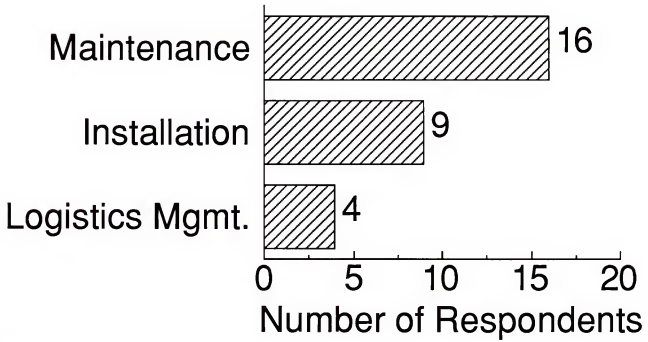
Equipment Support Required



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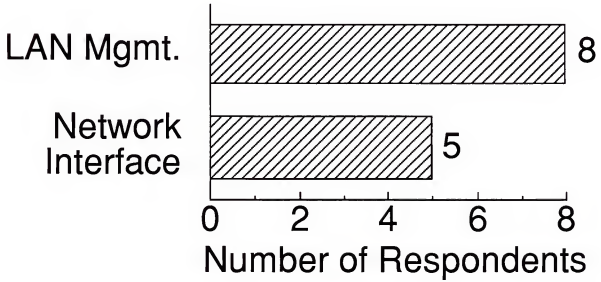
Connectivity Services Required



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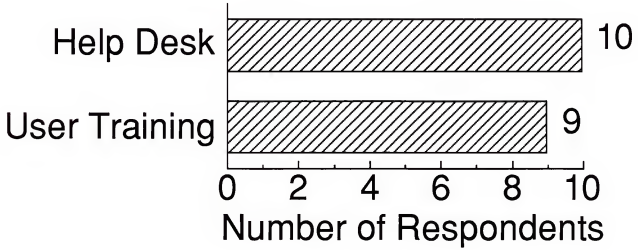
User Support Required



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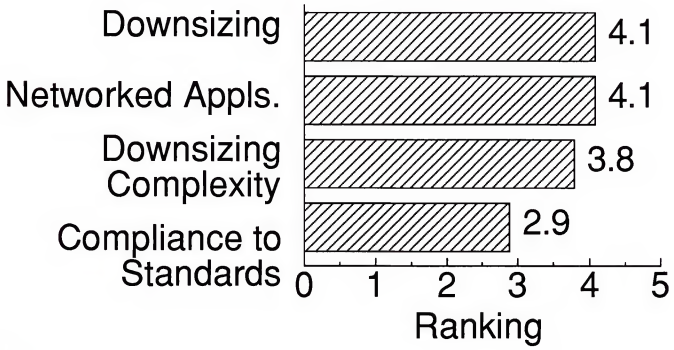
What Is Spurring Desktop Services?



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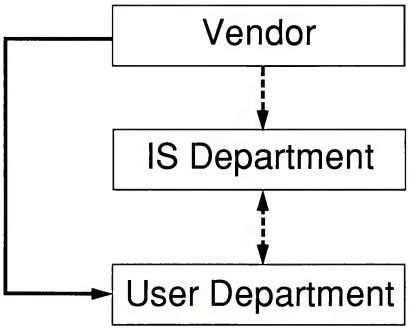
Change in Client Interface



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User Requirements

- "80% solutions" today
- Convenient interface/access
- Training
- Rapid problem resolution

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IS Department Requirements

- Control over standards
- Predictable costs
- Relief from management burden
- Removal from daily problems

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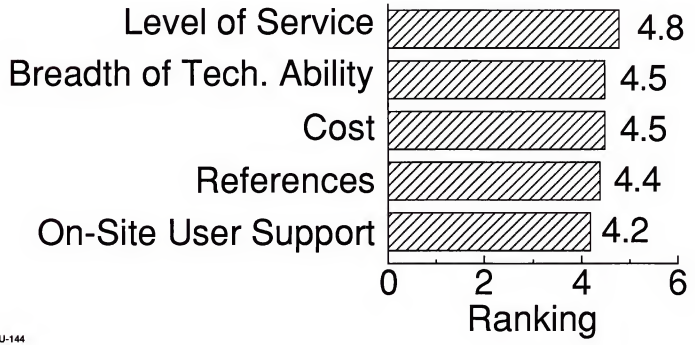
Major User Criteria for Desktop Vendors



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Vendor Strategies

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Desktop Vendor Requirements

- Need local presence
- Need large, dispersed staff
- Control inventory
- Educate users

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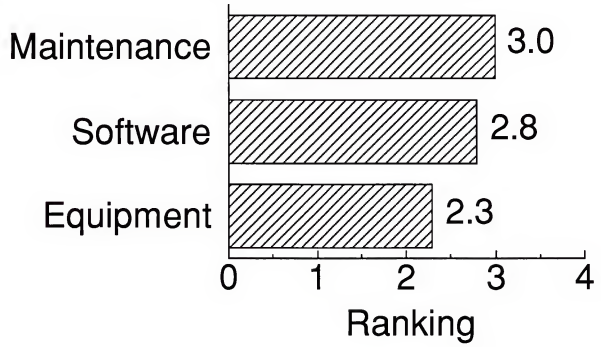
Least Profitable Desktop Components



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Opportunities for Outsourcing Vendors

- Provide additional services
- Broaden client penetration
- Protect existing relationship
- Create application management opportunity

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Recommendations and Conclusions

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Vendor Recommendations

- Develop new staff capabilities
- Invest in management tools
- Form alliances

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User Recommendations

- Standardize equipment/software
- Invest in training
- Be skeptical of technology

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Conclusions

- Vendors need to support downsizing
- Desktop services difficult to manage
- Benefits to users significant
- Growth potential explosive

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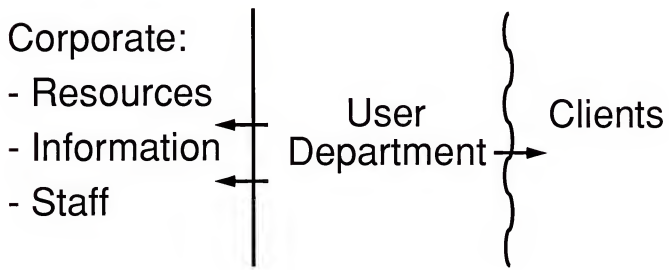
User Environment Changing



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Vendor Directions

- IBM/Sears joint venture
- EDS restructure/refocus
- Ameritech/May-Speh partnership

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Recommendations
Vendors

- Position for change
- Restructure for diversity
- Assume role of change agent

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Recommendations
Users

- Consider all options
- Forget non-critical functions
- Manage outsourcing relationships

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