

The Business Value of Predictive Analytics

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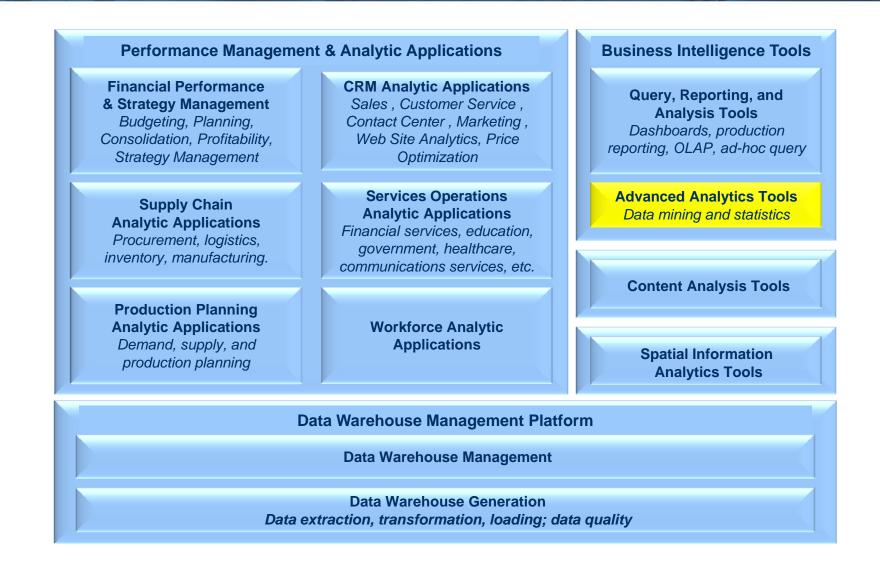
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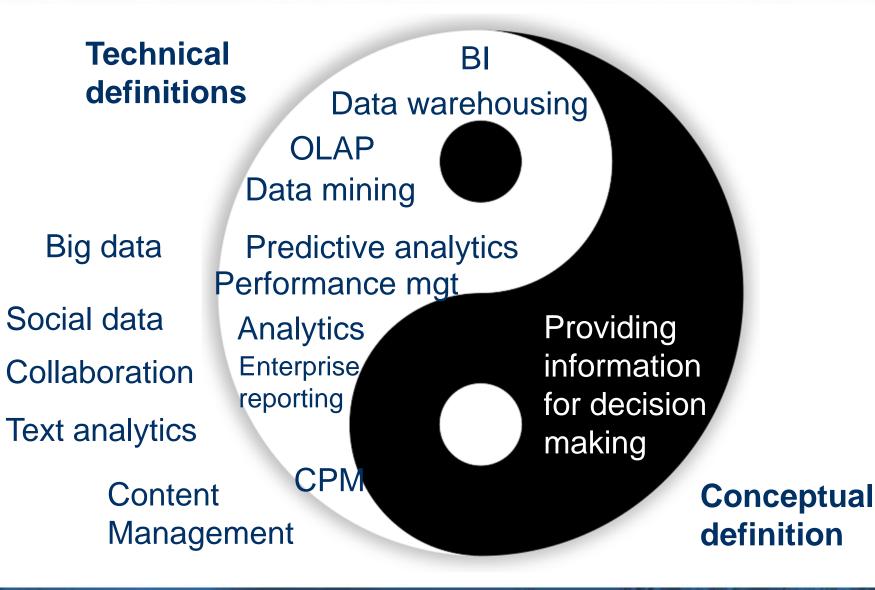
- Business Analytics Concept and Decision Management
- IDC Survey Gaining Business Value From Predictive Analytics

IDC's Business Analytics Software Taxonomy DC



Definition of Business Analytics

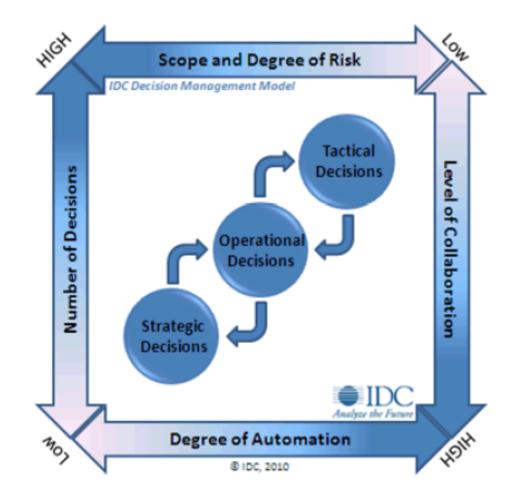




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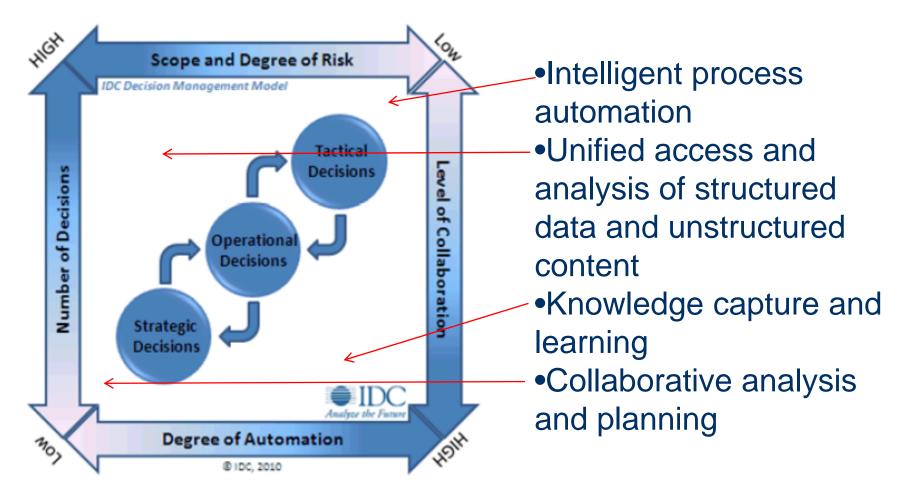


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IDC Survey: The Business Value of Predictive Analytics

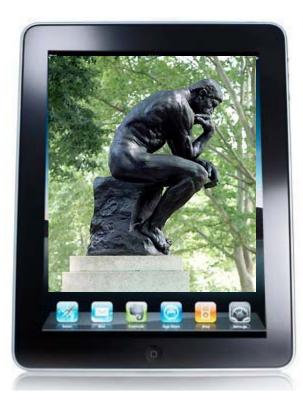


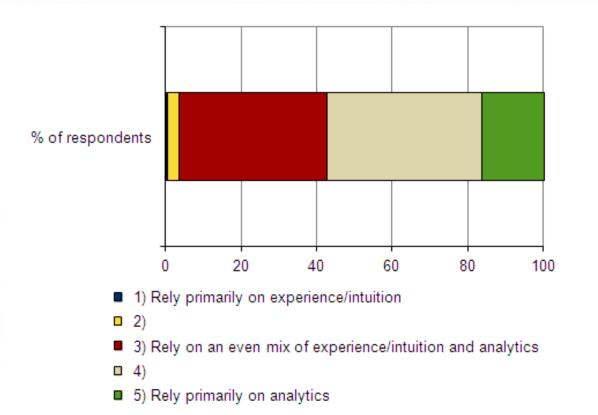
- Survey sponsored by IBM SPSS
- 200 respondents, involved in a business process that uses or benefits from the use of predictive analytics
- 18% of respondents were from IT
- 30% were from executive management
- 53% were from line-of-business functional areas

These organisations are mature in their use of predictive analytics

How organizations take decisions now?



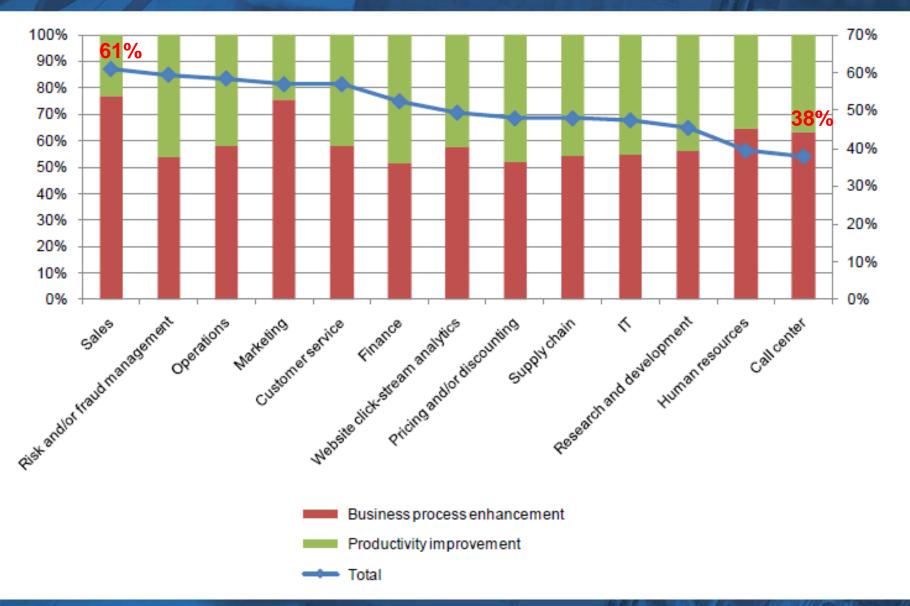




58% of these organisations rely quite strongly on analytics

Source: IDC's Business Value from Predictive Analytics survey, 2011

Where did organisations improve the decisionmaking process with predictive analytics?



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Analyze the Future

Business process improvements v productivity improvements



Business process

Productivity



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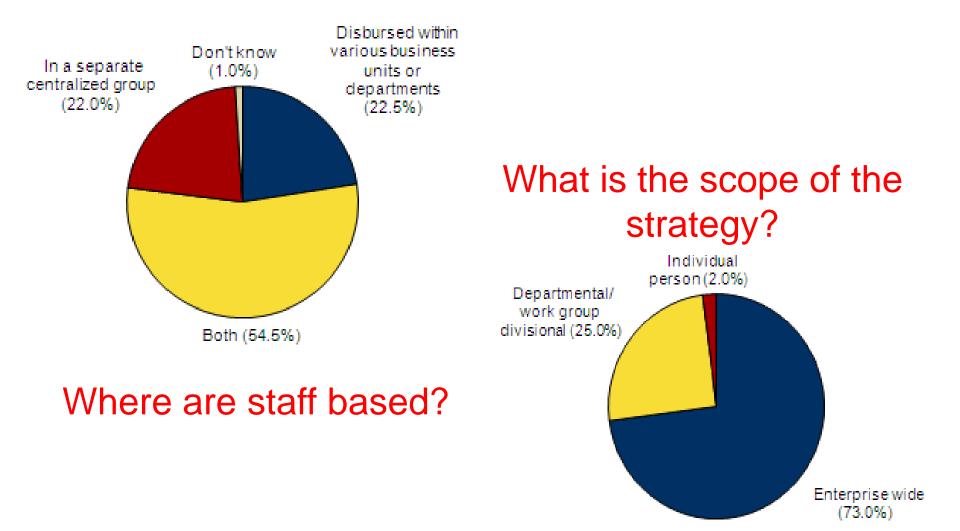


Business process

Productivity



Predictive Analytics Organisation and Scope



Scope of Predictive Analytics Benefits

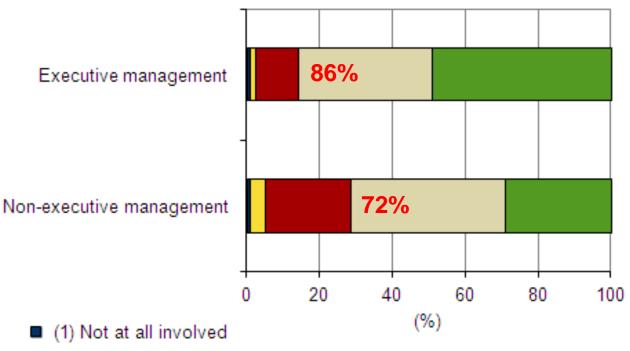


	Small	Large
Ongoing	22%	39%
One time	9%	30%

39% of benefits are large, and ongoing

How Involved are Management with Predictive Analytics?

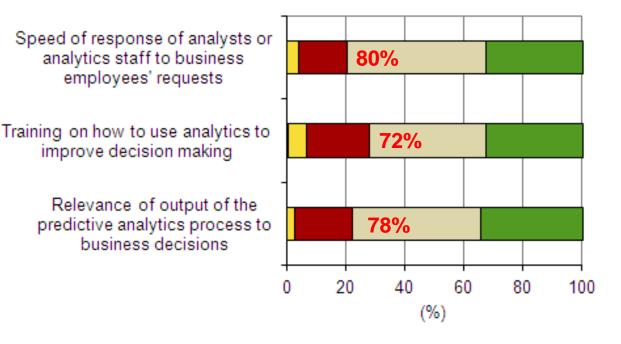




- (2) Not very involved
- (3) Somewhat involved
- (4) Very involved
- (5) Extremely involved

How Satisfied Are Users?





- (1) Not at all satisfied
- (3) Somewhat satisfied
- (5) Extremely satisfied

- (2) Not very satisfied
- (4) Very satisfied

Inhibitors of Predictive Analytics Adoption

- Lack of staff with predictive analytics expertise
- Perceived complexity of predictive analytics
- Unwillingness to tackle related process reengineering work
- Lack of a clear understanding of the business value



Develop a predictive analytics strategy

• Start small, think big

Make analytics a part of daily working life

- Involve non-executive management
- Staffing and services
 - Establish a Predictive Analytics Competency Centre
 - Can be supplemented with additional business unit staff
 - The best predictive analytics analysts have analytics and business process expertise
 - The best predictive analytics analysts communicate the analysis results effectively to business users
 Communication is key

Technology

- Not all decisions require predictive analytics those that do usually require BI tools too
- The speed of response to business user requests is important for success

Many BI best practices hold for predictive analytics



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