The Challenge of Change: IT in Transition

IT transformation is a complex journey that evolves as business needs change. An Insight-commissioned IDG Survey reveals how far IT leaders have come, what steps they’ve taken, the barriers they face, and their approach to cloud strategy and execution.

What’s the state of IT transformation?

51% have stalled or abandoned some transformation initiatives. That includes 65% of enterprises with more than 10,000 employees.

- Aged IT infrastructure hinders transformation:
  - 64% rank legacy systems among the top five barriers, which include:
    - Security
    - Technology silos
    - Budget
    - Competing priorities

- Technology change is slower than people & process changes:
  - Only 3 of the 10 most performed preparations are technology-related.

- Foundational cloud strategy steps are missing:
  - Near 1 in 4 don’t have a documented cloud strategy — though they may be running workloads in the cloud.
  - 28% have both documented and communicated their strategy.

- ‘Cloud first’ is embraced by 75% but definitions vary:
  - 45% define it as ‘cloud only’ policy
  - 30% define it as ‘cloud priority’ (hybrid)
  - 25% have rejected a ‘cloud first’ policy

- Transformation progress is impacted by cloud strategy:
  - Of those with the most progress:
    - 63% have a ‘cloud priority’ hybrid strategy
    - 23% have a cloud-only policy
    - 14% are not ‘cloud first’

4 key challenges impede cloud strategy execution:
1. Deciding what workloads to move to the cloud (72%)
2. Defining new tool needs (70%)
3. Resistance to change (70%)
4. Choosing cloud deployment models (69%)

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