

Hybrid IT: the next step.

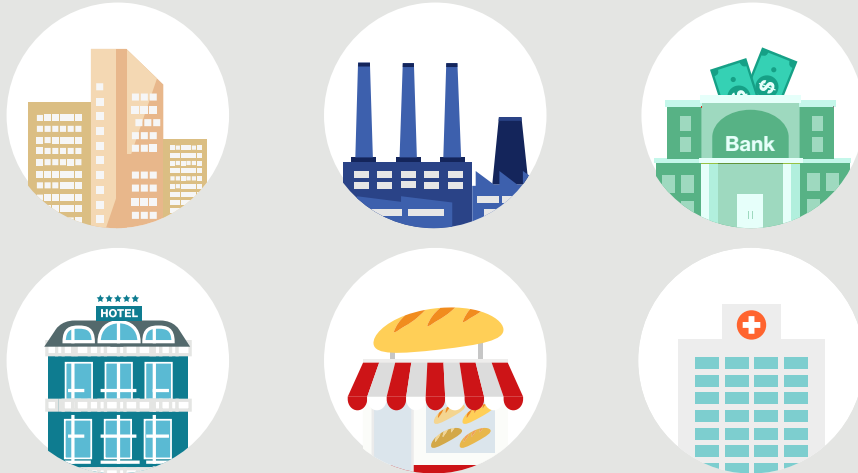
First cloud delivered greater agility and then hybrid cloud managed multiple clouds from multiple providers. But hybrid IT is the next stage in the evolution of IT infrastructure.

What is it?



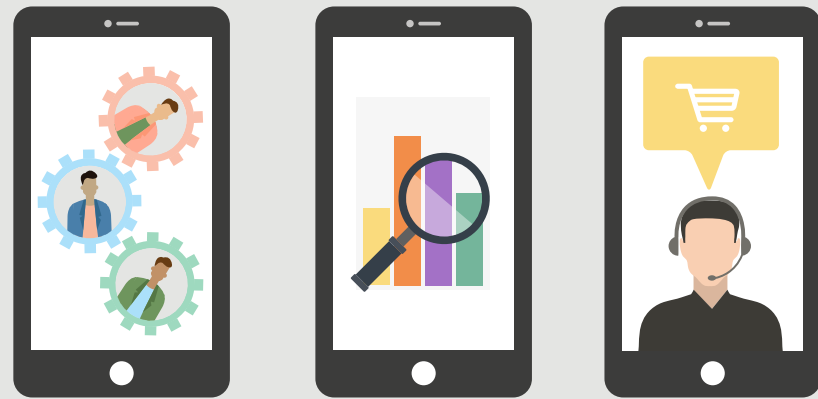
Hybrid IT creates a unified infrastructure, no matter what your mix of resources – private or public cloud, legacy or colo.

Who's using it?



34% manage public/private cloud and non-cloud IT using the same service.

How are they using it?



37% have a mix of public cloud and dedicated IT assets, including virtualization and private cloud.

What's the role of the network?

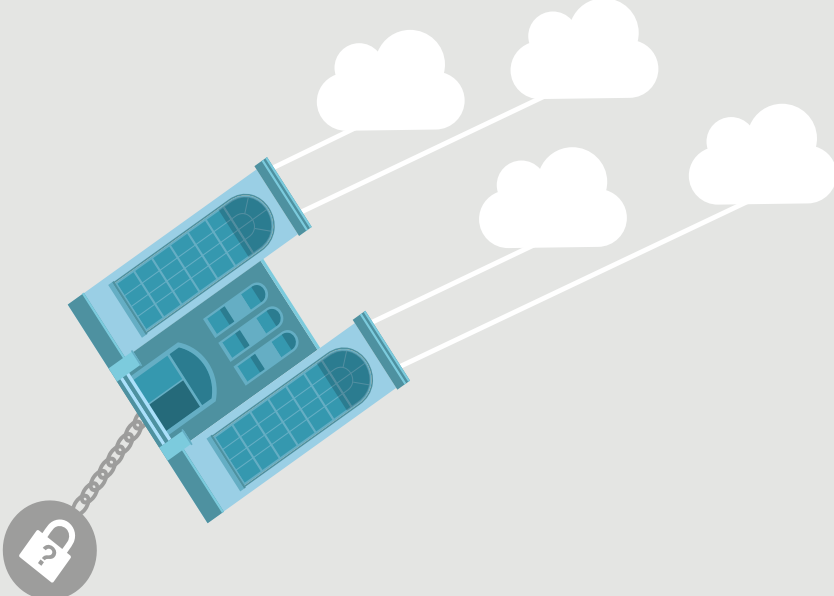


95%

of respondents view network connectivity to cloud as important or very important.

What's holding you back?

We predict that by 2020, over half of all organizations will be taking a hybrid IT approach.



How can you establish an agile hybrid IT environment?

- Go back. Look at each of your IT investments and ask yourself what's going to change in the next two–three years.
- Update your network to enable transformation and meet the needs of hybrid IT. You always need to be thinking network first.
- Don't try to go it alone. Identify key partners to securely manage workloads.

Hear what IDC's Research Vice President has to say about hybrid IT. And read the Q&A with Verizon's Director, Cloud and IT Solutions Product Management.

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