

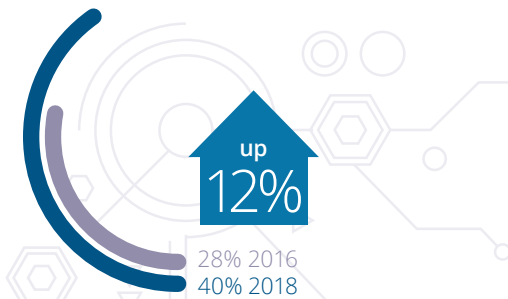


The innovation imperative

Forging Internal Audit's path to greater impact and influence

Senior executives and boards need Internal Audit (IA) to keep pace with inevitable change and disruption. That means IA needs to innovate. Is the function responding to this innovation imperative and having the impact and influence that it should? More than 1,100 chief audit executives (CAEs) from 40 countries shared their views in our 2018 Global CAE survey.

IA's impact and influence is increasing

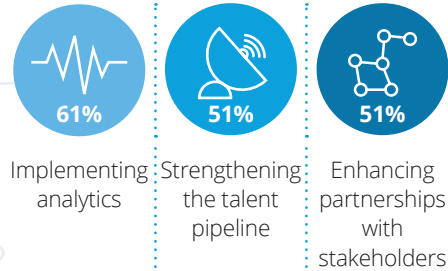


% of respondents who believe their IA function has strong impact and influence

...but there's still room for improvement.

Only **33%** of respondents indicate that they are perceived very positively within their organization.

Near term key priorities



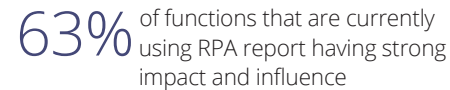
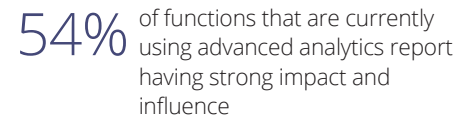
Implementing analytics is the most commonly cited key priority—and missing skills and talent the most commonly cited challenge.

Impact and influence is tied to innovation

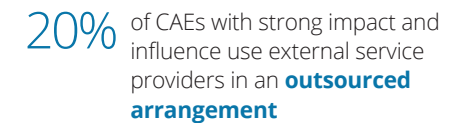
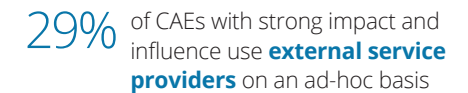
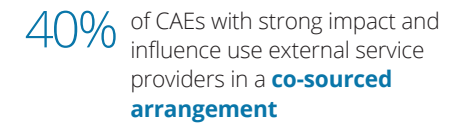
CAEs are applying Agile IA...



...and innovating through analytics and Robotic Process Automation (RPA).

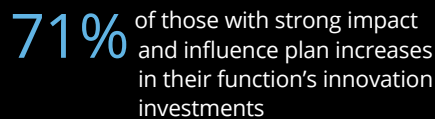
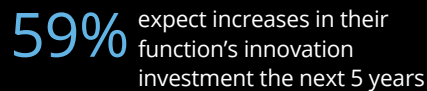


CAEs are embracing alternative resourcing models



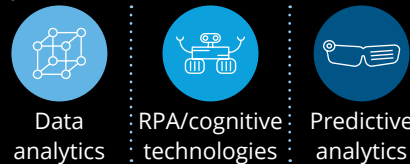
Innovation is the path forward for stronger influence

A majority of survey respondents are investing in innovation...



...and planning to embrace it over the next 3-5 years.

Top 3 innovative developments that will impact and transform the IA function*



*Most commonly selected by respondents

"The innovation imperative: Forging Internal Audit's path to greater impact and influence" is based on a global survey of more than 1,100 IA leaders in 40 countries to understand how IA functions are making progress toward greater impact and influence in their organizations.