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Total Started Survey: 180
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1. AGILE EXPERIENCE: I will be answering this survey from the point of view of:

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		Response Percent	Response Count
I am currently on a project team where we believe we are agile		**45.6%**	**82**
I am currently on a project team where we are trying to become more agile		33.9%	61
I am not currently on an "agile team", but have been in the past (and will discuss the most recent one)		13.3%	24
I have never been involved with an agile team		7.2%	13
	answered question		180
	skipped question		0

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PAGE: YOU AND YOUR TEAM

2. YOUR EXPERIENCE: How many years of agile experience do you have?

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		Response Percent	Response Count
Less than 1 year		10.2%	15
1 year		6.1%	9
2 years		13.6%	20
3 years		15.0%	22
	answered question		147
	skipped question		33

2. YOUR EXPERIENCE: How many years of agile experience do you have?   Create Chart   Download

		Response Percent	Response Count
4 years		11.6%	17
5 years		**17.0%**	**25**
6 years		4.8%	7
7 years		2.7%	4
8 years		3.4%	5
9 years		2.7%	4
10 or more years		12.9%	19
		answered question	147
		skipped question	33

3. TEAM EXPERIENCE: How would you rate your team's experience with agile?   Create Chart   Download

		Response Percent	Response Count
Just starting		17.7%	26
Adopted several techniques, but not fully agile		**40.8%**	**60**
Pretty much agile, but still working out a few kinks		27.2%	40
Mature adoption of agile		14.3%	21
		answered question	147
		skipped question	33

4. TRAINING: Who received training in agile strategies?   Create Chart   Download

	Yes	No	Don't Know	Response Count
Team members	**55.1% (81)**	41.5% (61)	3.4% (5)	147
Team lead/ScrumMaster/Coach	**70.7% (104)**	24.5% (36)	4.8% (7)	147
Product Owner	42.9% (63)	**51.7% (76)**	5.4% (8)	147
Senior IT management	25.2% (37)	**60.5% (89)**	14.3% (21)	147
Senior business management	21.1% (31)	**63.9% (94)**	15.0% (22)	147
Stakeholders interacting with our team	23.8% (35)	**62.6% (92)**	13.6% (20)	147
			answered question	147
			skipped question	33

4. TRAINING: Who received training in agile strategies?   Create Chart   Download

Other IT people interacting with our team	19.0% (28)	**64.6% (95)**	16.3% (24)	147

answered question	**147**
skipped question	**33**

5. MENTORING: Who received ongoing mentoring in agile strategies?   Create Chart   Download

	Yes	No	Don't Know	Response Count
Team members	**63.9% (94)**	35.4% (52)	0.7% (1)	147
Team lead/ScrumMaster/Coach	**58.5% (86)**	39.5% (58)	2.0% (3)	147
Product Owner	42.9% (63)	**51.7% (76)**	5.4% (8)	147
Senior IT management	23.8% (35)	**66.7% (98)**	9.5% (14)	147
Senior business management	19.0% (28)	**68.7% (101)**	12.2% (18)	147
Stakeholders interacting with our team	23.1% (34)	**64.6% (95)**	12.2% (18)	147
Other IT people interacting with our team	17.7% (26)	**68.7% (101)**	13.6% (20)	147

answered question	**147**
skipped question	**33**

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6. PROJECT FUNDING: Our project is funded in the following manner(s)   Create Chart   Download

	Agree	Disagree	Not applicable	Response Count
An estimate/budget is developed at the beginning of the project	**69.4% (100)**	18.1% (26)	12.5% (18)	144
The estimate/budget evolves throughout the project	**60.4% (87)**	27.8% (40)	11.8% (17)	144
The project is funded in stages (i.e. by phase)	**48.6% (70)**	33.3% (48)	18.1% (26)	144

answered question	**144**
skipped question	**36**

7. VISUALIZING WORK: What strategies does your team follow regarding visualization boards?

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	Agree	Disagree	Not Applicable	Response Count
A manual board is updated during coordination meetings	**54.9% (79)**	36.1% (52)	9.0% (13)	144
A manual board is updated as needed throughout the day	41.7% (60)	**47.9% (69)**	10.4% (15)	144
An electronic "board" is updated during coordination meetings	43.8% (63)	**45.1% (65)**	11.1% (16)	144
An electronic "board" is updated throughout the day	**43.8% (63)**	42.4% (61)	13.9% (20)	144
			answered question	144
			skipped question	36

8. ITERATION LENGTH: What is the length of the iterations/sprints/time-boxes that you're using? Please choose the best option.

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		Response Percent	Response Count
We don't have iterations		4.2%	6
One day or less		1.4%	2
One week or less		11.8%	17
Two weeks		**41.0%**	**59**
Three weeks		20.1%	29
Four weeks		13.2%	19
Five weeks		0.0%	0
Six weeks		1.4%	2
Seven or more weeks		1.4%	2
Iteration length varies throughout the project		5.6%	8
Don't know		0.0%	0
		answered question	144
		skipped question	36

9. RETROSPECTIVES: When do you run retrospective/reflection meetings, if at all?

	Response Percent	Response Count
We hold them at the end of each iteration	56.9%	82
We hold them at the beginning of each iteration	6.9%	10
We hold them on an as-needed basis	24.3%	35
We don't hold them but are thinking about doing so	9.7%	14
We don't hold them and don't plan to do so	2.1%	3
answered question		144
skipped question		36

10. RELEASE EFFORT: How long does/did it take you to release your solution into production or the marketplace?

	Response Percent	Response Count
One day or less	18.1%	26
One week or less	15.3%	22
Two weeks	6.3%	9
Three weeks	4.2%	6
Four weeks	7.6%	11
Five weeks	1.4%	2
Six weeks	6.9%	10
Seven to eight weeks	4.2%	6
Nine to twelve weeks	13.9%	20
More than twelve weeks	13.9%	20
Don't know, we haven't released yet	8.3%	12
answered question		144
skipped question		36

11. RELEASE FREQUENCY: How often does your team release into production or the marketplace? Please choose the best option

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		Response Percent	Response Count
Daily		2.8%	4
Weekly		11.1%	16
Monthly		**35.4%**	**51**
Quarterly		26.4%	38
Twice a year		7.6%	11
Annually		6.3%	9
Less than once a year		2.1%	3
Don't know		8.3%	12
	answered question		144
	skipped question		36

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PAGE: WHO ARE YOU?

12. POSITION: Which best describes your current position?

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		Response Percent	Response Count
Agile Team Member		7.1%	11
Architect/Architecture Owner		13.0%	20
Business Analyst		3.2%	5
Business Stakeholder		1.3%	2
IT Manager		9.1%	14
Operations/Support		2.6%	4
Product Owner		1.3%	2
Programmer		11.7%	18
Project Manager		13.0%	20
QA/Test		1.9%	3
Team Lead/ScrumMaster		**24.0%**	**37**
Other		11.7%	18
	answered question		154
	skipped question		26

13. EXPERIENCE: How many years of work experience do you have?   Create Chart   Download

		Response Percent	Response Count
None		0.0%	0
Less than 2 years		3.2%	5
2 to 5 years		9.7%	15
5 to 10 years		16.2%	25
10 to 20 years		**40.9%**	**63**
20+ years		29.9%	46
	answered question		154
	skipped question		26

14. DEPARTMENT SIZE: Number of IT/Systems/Development people in your organization   Create Chart   Download

		Response Percent	Response Count
1 to 10		21.4%	33
11 to 50		**24.7%**	**38**
51 to 100		11.0%	17
101 to 500		21.4%	33
501 to 1000		5.2%	8
1000+		16.2%	25
	answered question		154
	skipped question		26

15. SECTOR: Which sector is your organization primarily in?   Create Chart   Download

		Response Percent	Response Count
e-Commerce		5.2%	8
Financial		17.5%	27
Government		5.8%	9
IT Consulting		14.9%	23
Manufacturing		1.9%	3
	answered question		154
	skipped question		26

15. SECTOR: Which sector is your organization primarily in? Create Chart   Download

		Response Percent	Response Count
Medical/Pharmaceutical		1.9%	3
Retail		2.6%	4
Shipping		0.6%	1
Technology (inc. Software)		**37.7%**	**58**
Other		11.7%	18
		answered question	154
		skipped question	26

16. LOCATION: Where are you located? Create Chart   Download

		Response Percent	Response Count
North America		**54.5%**	**84**
South/Central America		8.4%	13
Europe		28.6%	44
Asia		5.2%	8
Australia/NZ		1.3%	2
Africa		1.9%	3
		answered question	154
		skipped question	26

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skipped question	52