# **Developing Client Opportunities with IBM Software Subscription & Support**

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IBM is the Wood behind the Arrow



## **IBM Invests in your Success**

... in an effort to support...

The Significant Role of the Business Partner



## IBM invests in your success

Help maximize software investments with IBM Software Subscription and Support

USD6B+
in R&D investments annually

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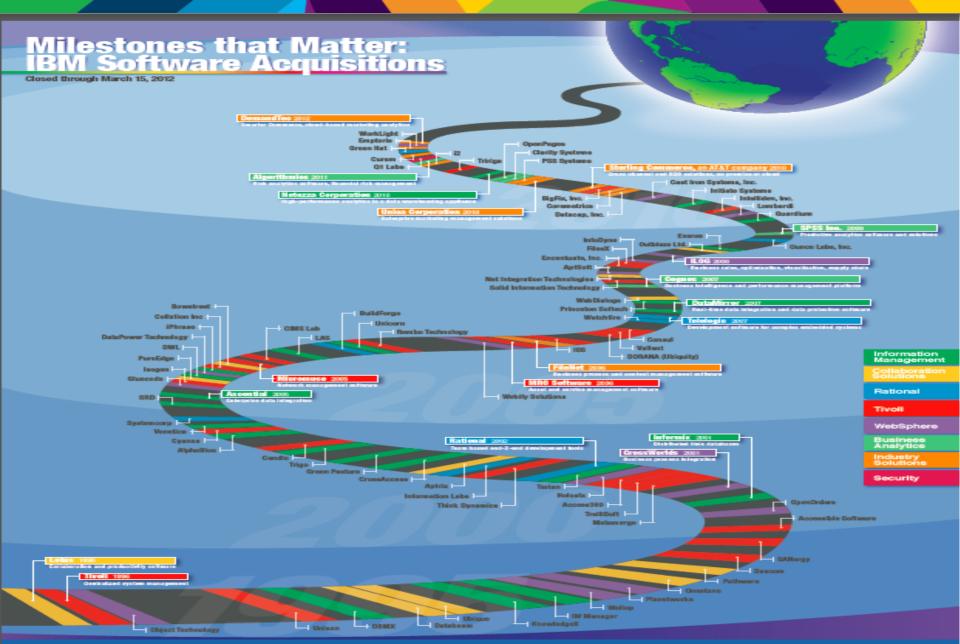
in patents each of the past 20 years

>4,000 of IBM support experts worldwide

USD3B+

invested annually in software development through >35,000 developers



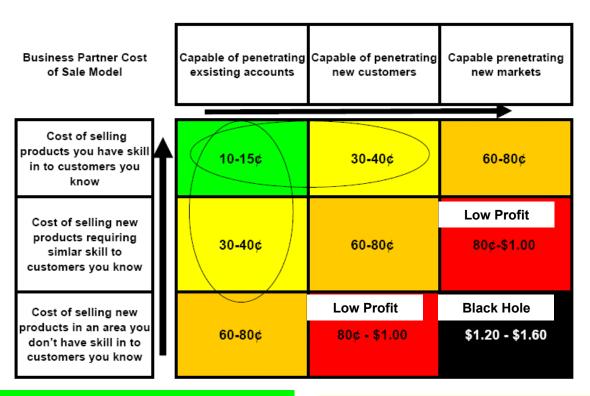




## The Significant Role of the Business Partner



#### What does a sale cost a Business Partner?



- Business Partners will gain the greatest ROI when they sell products in which they have skills, to customers they know
- Selling S&S, additional licenses, or other products in which the BP has skills, to customers they know, is by far the most cost effective and profitable model
- Based on the profit versus cost model in the diagram, S&S is key to a BP's over all ability to grow and remain profitable
- Making sure S&S is paid On Time ensures a steady and predicable cash flow. <u>Cash</u> <u>Flow</u> is vital to a BP's success

#### What fits here?

- S&S
- Additional licenses
- Reinstatements
- Services (upgrades, product development or enhancements)

#### What fits here?

Complementary products

(eg. Selling Rational Development tools to WebSphere App Server customers)

Cross-Sell (eg.DB2 to Lotus Portal customers)



#### Why is Subscription & Support Important to Partners

### Protect and grow your renewal revenue



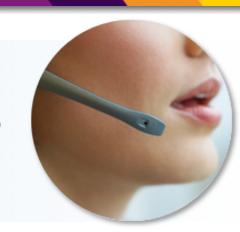
- ☑ S&S Renewal is a reason to revisit your client.
- ✓ S&S a compelling event and a clear deadline
- ✓ Strengthen customer loyalty
- ✓ Provides up-sell and cross-sell opportunity
- Reinstate lapsed licenses
- Uncover services opportunities
- ✓ It allows you to grow your installed base
- Understand your client's technology plans
- Every year the customer doesn't upgrade costs increase



**Key Features of Subscription & Support** 

#### IBM Software Subscription and Support (S&S):

- Provides a comprehensive software upgrade (Subscription) and technical support (Support) solution for your licensed IBM software
- Is included with all new distributed software purchases
- Must be renewed annually to ensure maximum value on your software investment

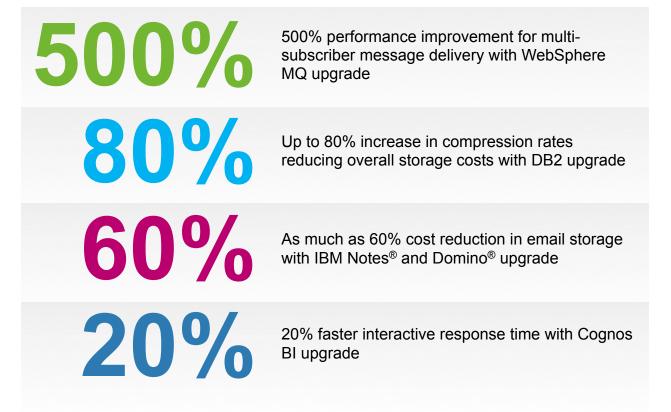


| FEATURES AT-A-GLANCE  | WITH S&S  | WITHOUT S&S |
|---|-----------|-------------|
| Download new releases & upgrades                                      | Yes       | No          |
| E-notifications for new releases and upgrades                         | Yes       | No          |
| Designated support contacts   | Unlimited | None        |
| Severity "1" telephone support  | 24x7      | No          |
| Remote voice support  | Yes       | No          |
| Electronic service request  | 24x7      | No          |
| IBM Support Portal: Enhanced self-help & advanced search capabilities | Unlimited | Limited     |
| Download bug fixes  | Yes       | Yes         |
| Access to technical documentation                                     | Yes       | Yes         |



## How much could your customers gain from the VALUE of IBM Software Subscription and Support?

Clients upgrading to current versions and releases see measurable benefits:



View recently enhanced IBM software available for download with S&S

Source: IBM and IBM client experience.



## Start the renewal process early

Channel renewal timeline

#### 180 days before renewal

- Contact your top priority clients
- Confirm budgets, projects, license requirements and issues

#### 90 - 75 days before renewal

- ■Log on to Passport Advantage Online, and download your renewal quote
- Forecast with **IBM**

## 45-60 days

#### before renewal

- Reminder emails from IBM, 45 and 60 days before renewal
- Forecast with **IBM**

#### 30 days before renewal

- IBM, valueadded distributor (VAD) and Business Partner (BP) send reminder emails
- Forecast with **IBM**

#### 15 days before renewal

- IBM sends another reminder
- VAD and BP touch base with the client
- Forecast with **IBM**

## 4-5 days

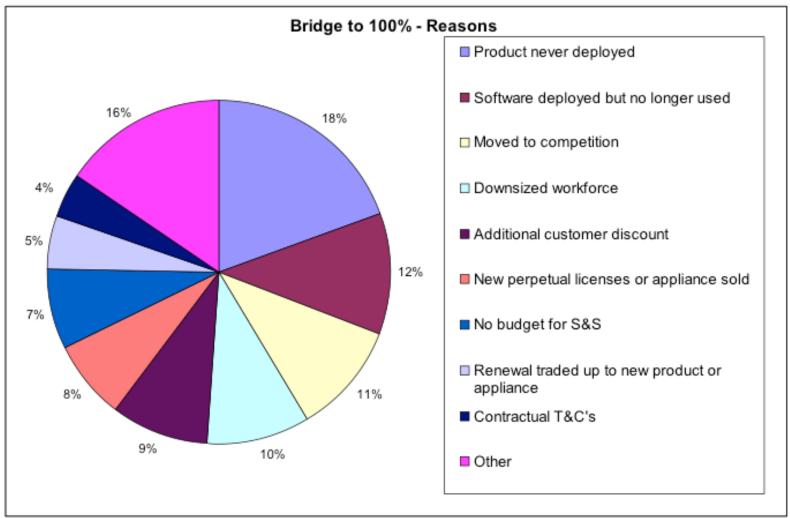
before renewal

- Let clients know they have less than a week to renew
- Grace period extension approval will be an exception





## Reasons for not renewing Subscription and Support



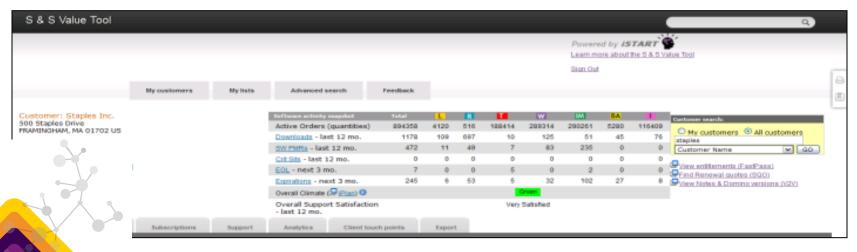
### ... focus on Software Deployment!



## Query the IBM Software Client Value tool



Before a client questions the value of Software Subscription and Support renewal take the time to run a usage report



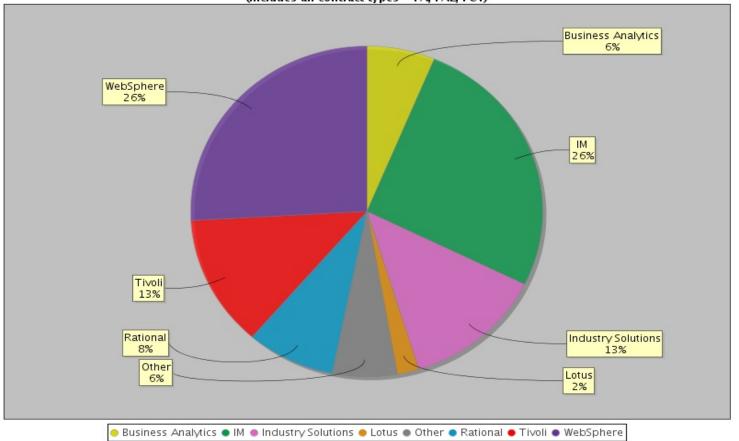
- # of downloads in the past 12 months
- # of Service Requests in past 12 months
- # of client submitted Critical / Severity1 support requests
- # of licensed products approaching end of life in next 3 months



#### **IBM Customer**

#### Software Sales by Brand January 2011 - April 2012 (USD)

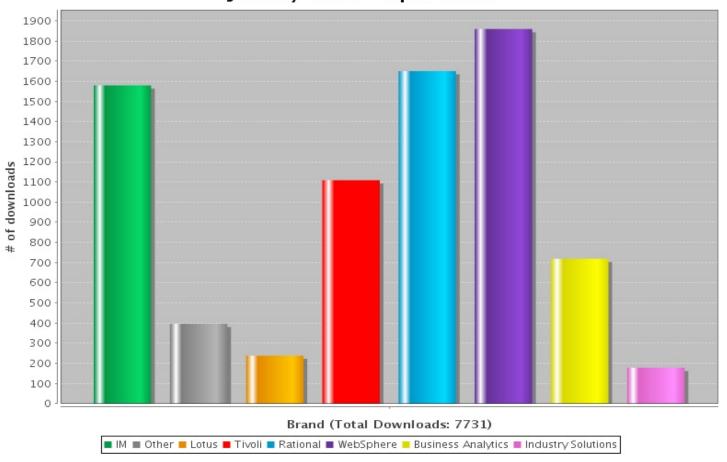
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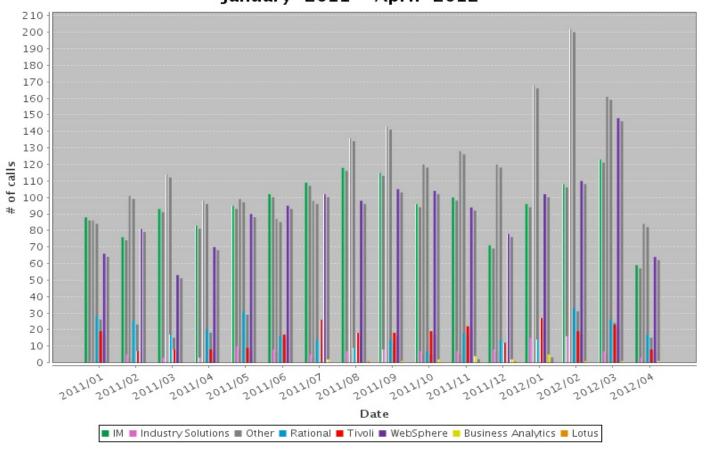
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**IBM Customer** 

#### Calls by Brand and Date January 2011 - April 2012





## IBM Software Subscription and Support

#### Features and benefits at a glance





#### **IBM Software Subscription**

- Access new technology via software enhancements
- Gain the flexibility to update or upgrade on your schedule
- Get rapid access to new releases, fixes and updates
- Receive electronic notifications

#### **IBM Technical Support**

- Take advantage of rapid response for severity 1 issue resolution
- Access live person support in 140 languages to help with deployments, migrations and code questions
- Access global coverage and 24x7 software technical support
- Leverage online support and tools

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## Leverage renewals to sell your services / solutions and drive new IBM license sales

- Capitalize on a reason to call your clients
- Create cross-sell, up-sell, and trade-up opportunities
- Uncover Service opportunities
- Communicate the value of Software Subscription and Support in every S&S renewal and new license sale
- Work with your renewal representative and Software Subscription & Support brand leader





## Call to action!

- 1. Contact your VAD NOW to find out how you can make more money from Reinstatements.
- 2. Contact your VAD or Renewal Rep now to get a list of your customers due for renewal in the next 6 months.
- 3. Let IBM know how your deals are going, so we can help. (Forecasting)
- 4. Work with your IBM rep to address concerns of customers
- Get help from your IBM team if the customer has not implemented their software yet.





