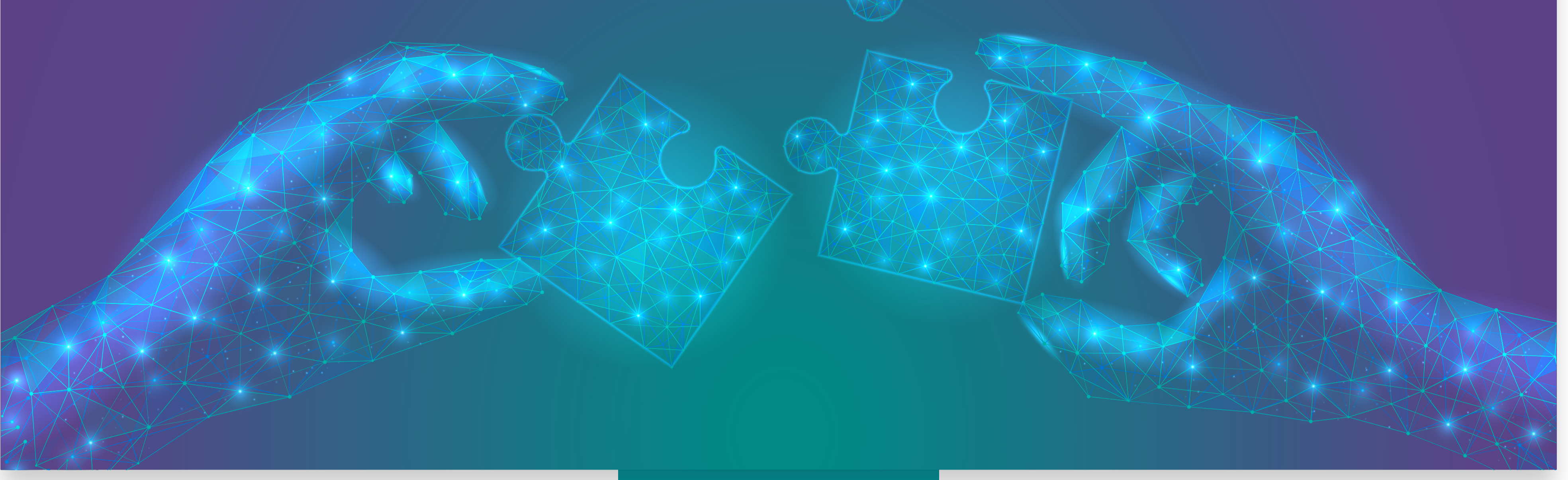
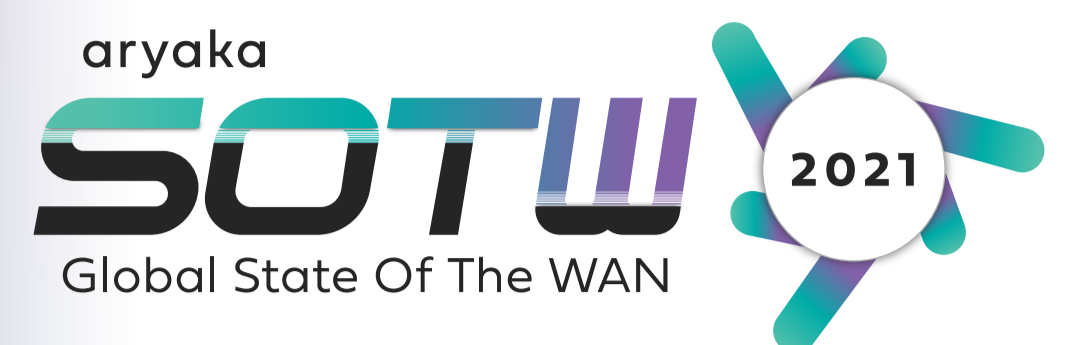


CIO Planning CHECKLIST



01

Drivers for SD-WAN

Be the agent for change, enabling collaboration between your network, security, cloud, and application teams

Top-of-mind considerations may include application performance, MPLS migration, movement to the cloud(s), and overall digital transformation.

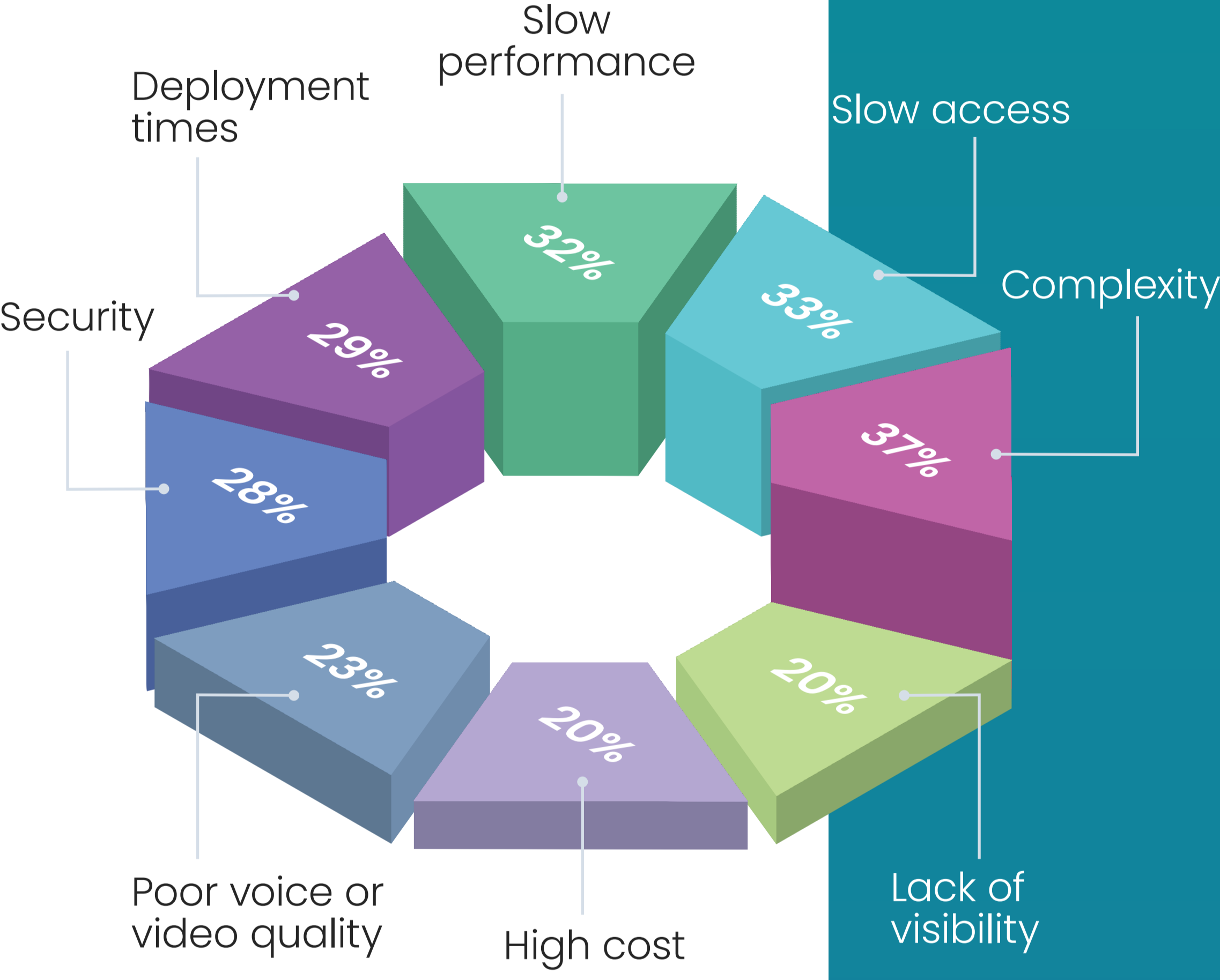


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WAN Challenges

Recognize the WAN as a strategic asset that can enable/disable your other investments

Watch out for complex approaches, slow performance, delayed deployment, the lack of security and visibility, and of course cost.

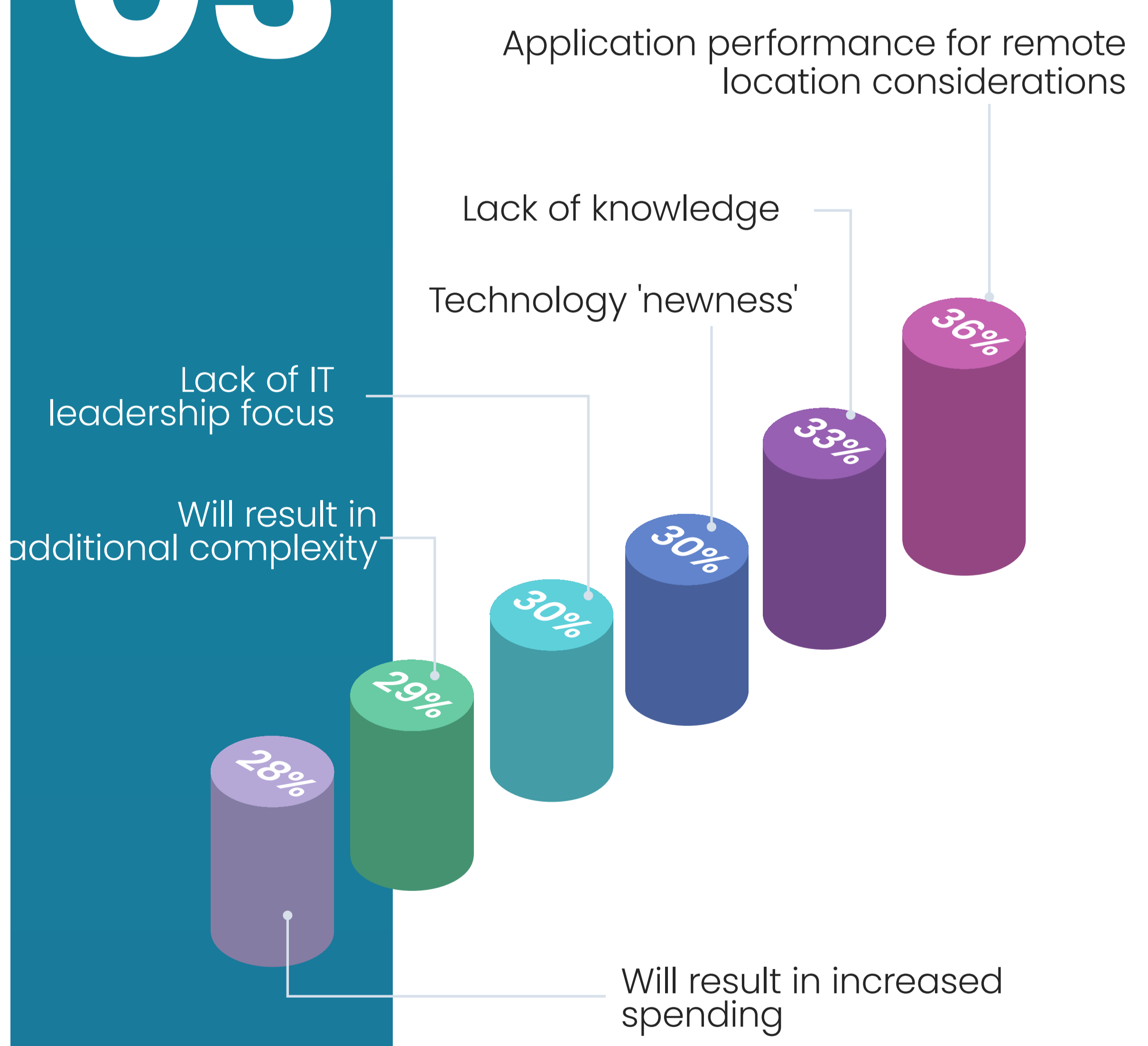


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SD-WAN Barriers

Empower your network teams for WAN transformation

Ensure that you are equipped to execute on your digital transformation initiatives, removing barriers that could include knowledge, perception of high cost, complexity, and performance, as well as a lack of focus.

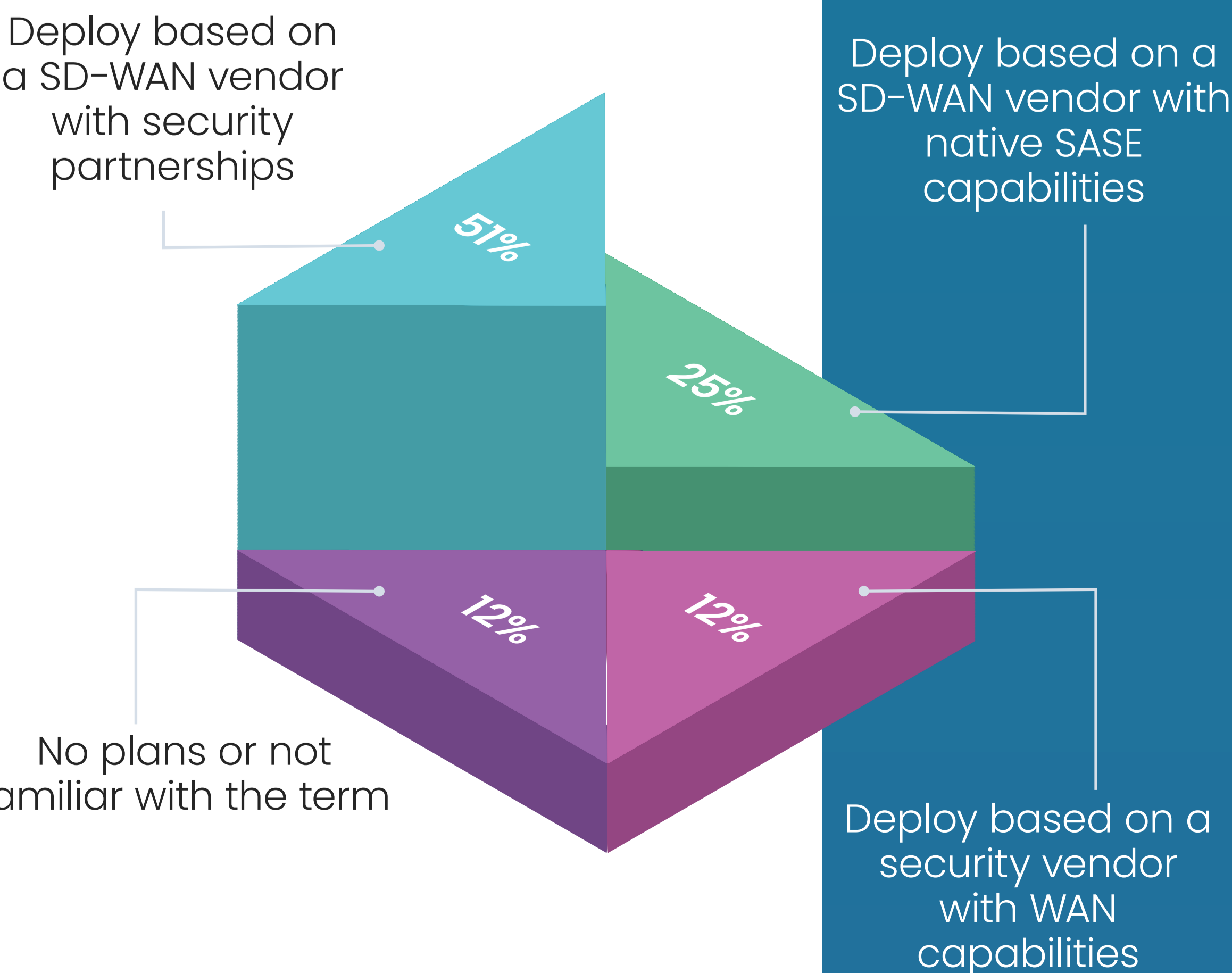


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SASE Deployment Approaches

Commit to Cloud-First WAN principles spanning SD-WAN and SASE

Select the best combination of capabilities offered by your networking and/or security vendors, leveraging partnerships where appropriate.



Deployment Preferences

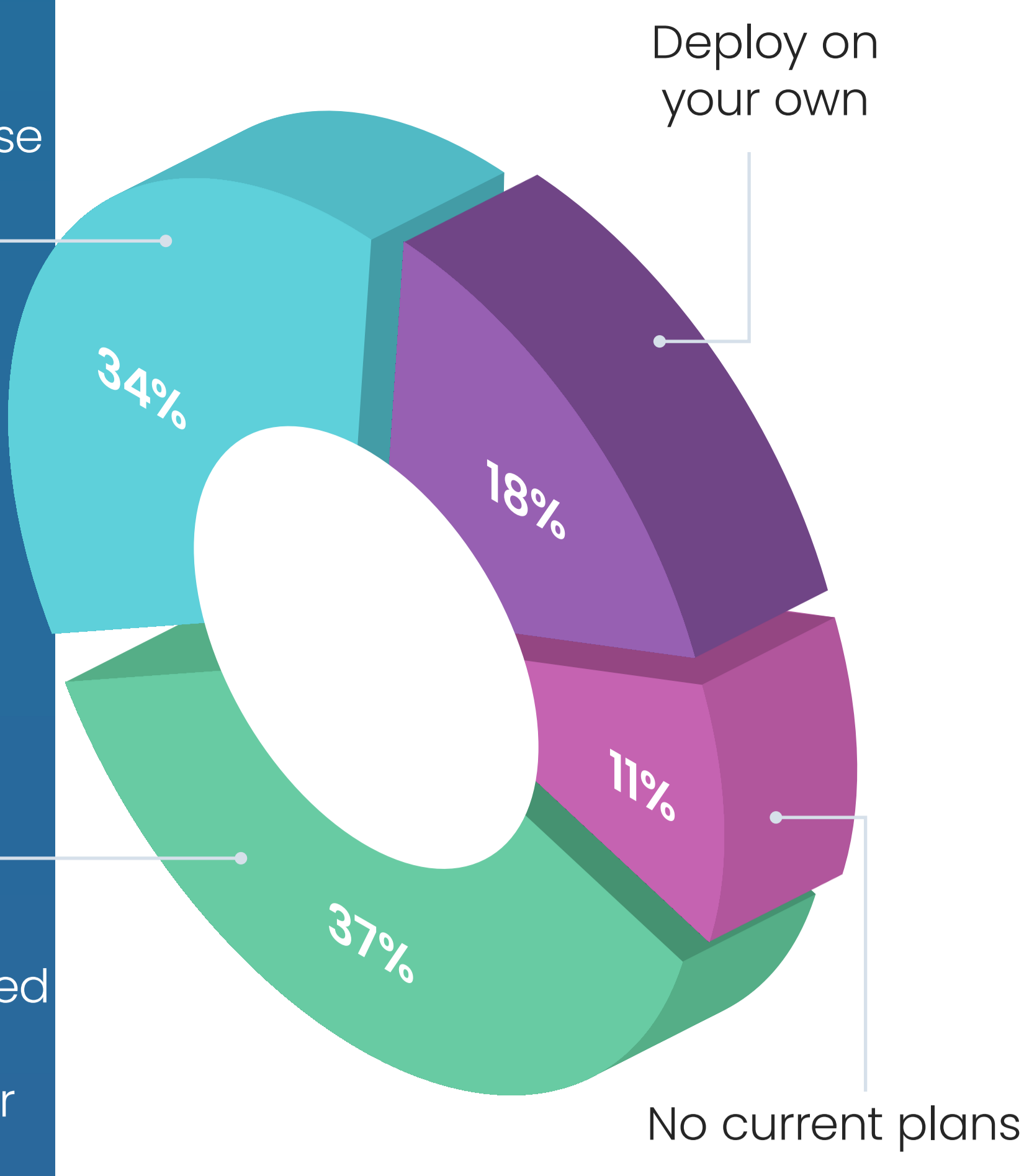
Evaluate in-house vs. managed services approaches

Do the math, a holistic TCO, looking at complexity, flexibility, scalability, cost, risk, training, and ongoing operational expenses.

05

Leverage a managed service from an integrator/SI with deep sector expertise

Leverage a managed service from a generalist provider

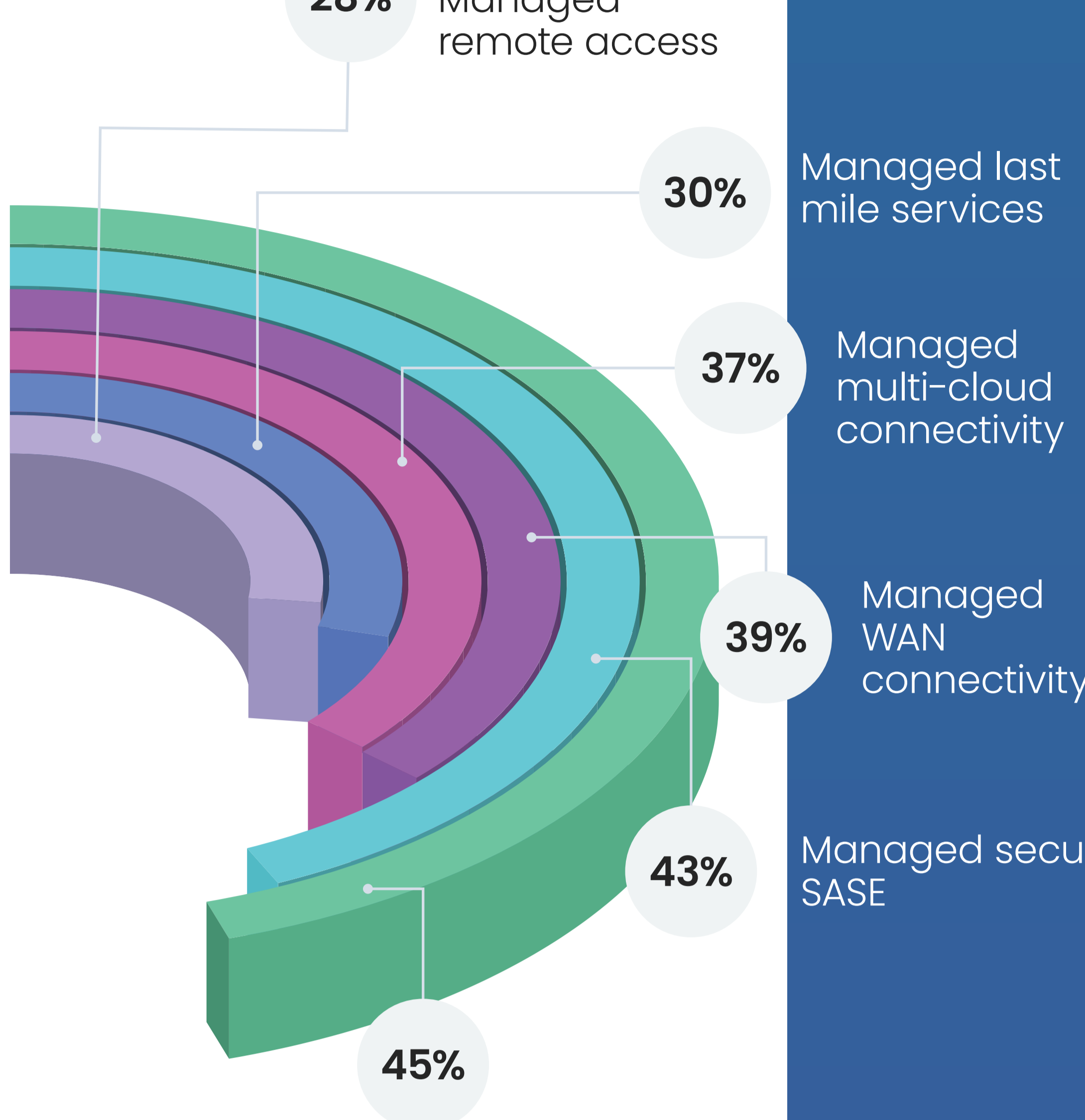


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Top Managed Service Requests

Explore managed as-a-Service approaches to de-risk change management and

Evaluate solutions that include optimization, security/SASE, multi-cloud access, last mile management, remote



07

IT Time Sinks

Challenge your network team to deliver on business agility and look beyond old-world Telco contracts

Address performance issues across the network, including the branch, remote workers, and into the cloud, while keeping your eye on security.

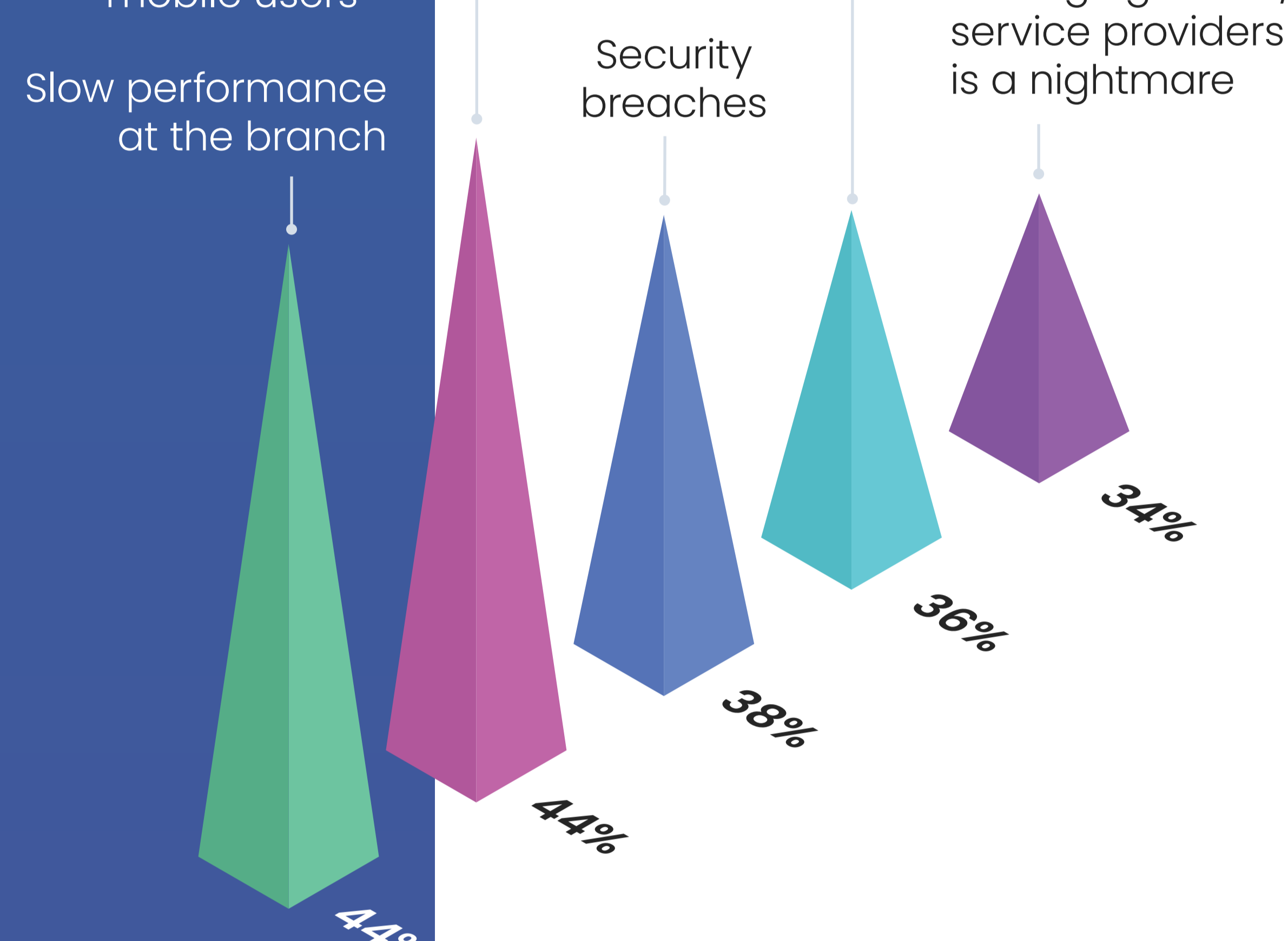
Slow performance for remote and mobile users

Slow performance at the branch

Accessing/integrating cloud and SaaS origins issues

Security breaches

Managing telcos/service providers is a nightmare

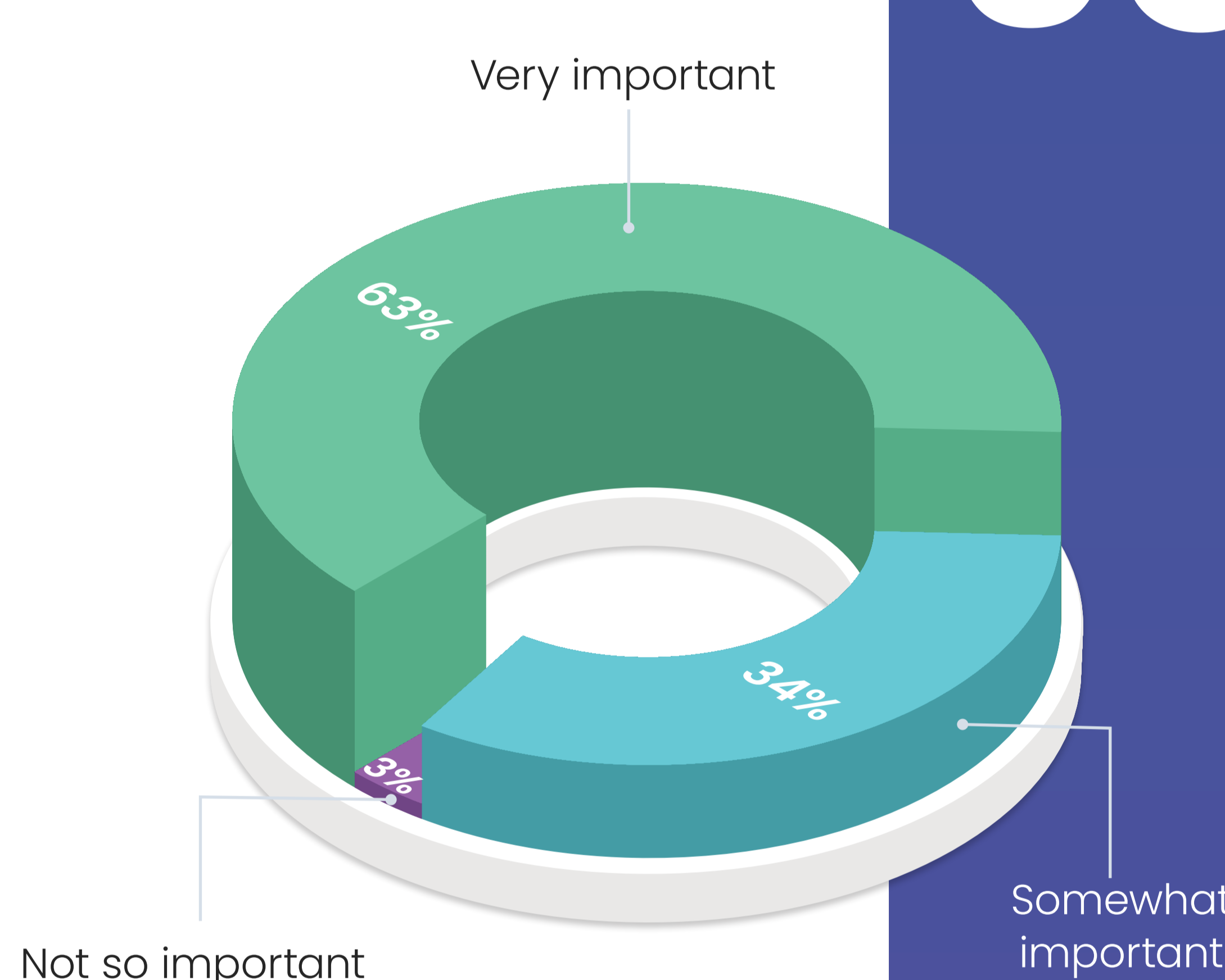


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Bandwidth Reallocation

Double down on productivity and collaboration approaches as well as remote-worker

Evaluate a solution that offers seamless reallocation of bandwidth between on-premises and remote workers, while maintaining common policy control.



09

Overall IT Planning

Invest in automation, 5G, AI/ML technologies with predictive analytics

Evaluate your digital transformation and prioritize the projects that will create the greatest value, near, mid, and longer term.

Cloud/SaaS Migration

Big Data/Analytics

Remote Workplace

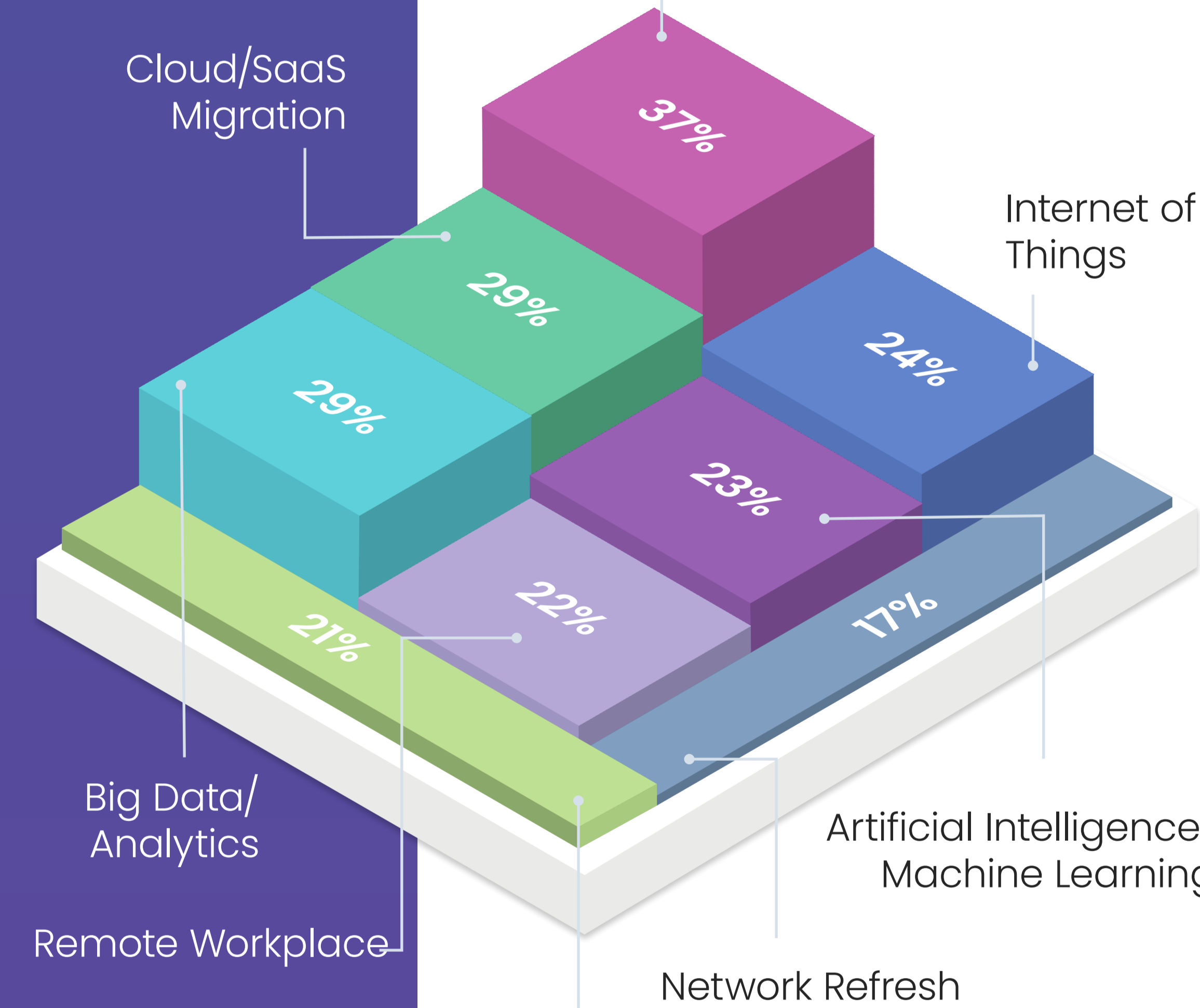
Advanced Security/SASE

IT Automation

Internet of Things

Artificial Intelligence/Machine Learning

Network Refresh (SD-WAN / SASE)



Don't Panic

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