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Government Innovation Showcase California

Post Event Report

Tuesday, January 21, 2025 | Sheraton Grand Sacramento



Event Overview

32
Speakers

346
Registrations

30
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Featured Speakers



Herbert Paguas
Chief Executive, National Agency for e-Government and Information Society (AGESIC), Government of Uruguay



Jared Johnson
Deputy State CIO & Chief Deputy Director, California Department of Technology



Adam Dondro
Chief Information Officer, California Health and Human Services Agency & Director, Office of Technology and Solutions Integration (OTSI)



Serenity Thompson
Deputy Director, Digital Services Division, California Department of Motor Vehicles



David Noronha
Chief Information Officer, California Department of Insurance



Jake Margolis
Chief Information Security Officer, Metropolitan Water District of Southern California



Stephen Loveson
Chief Information Officer, California Public Employees' Retirement System



Angela Shell
Chief Procurement Officer, Department of General Services (DGS)

“Love the innovation and seeing it all come to life to impact those who we serve. Thank you for paving the way and bringing all the talent in the room come together for solutions.”

Department of Rehabilitation



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Delegate Profile

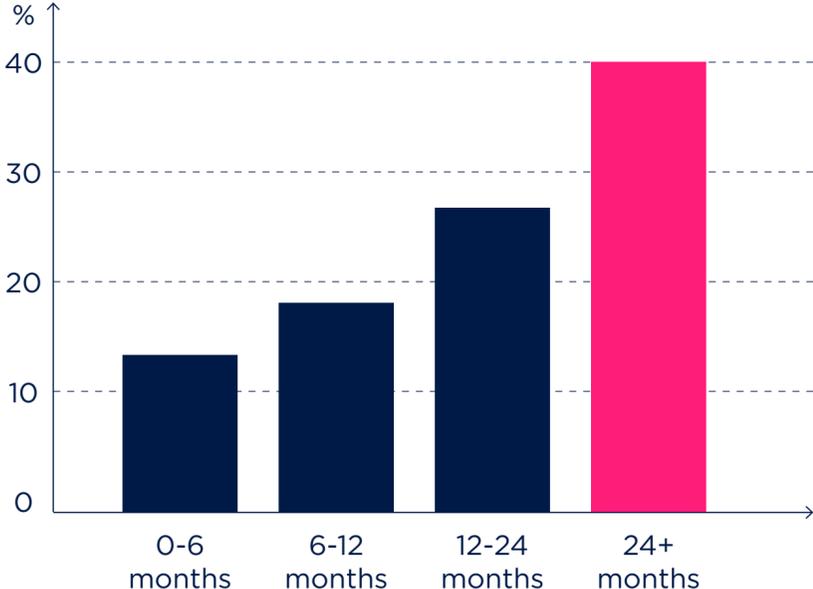
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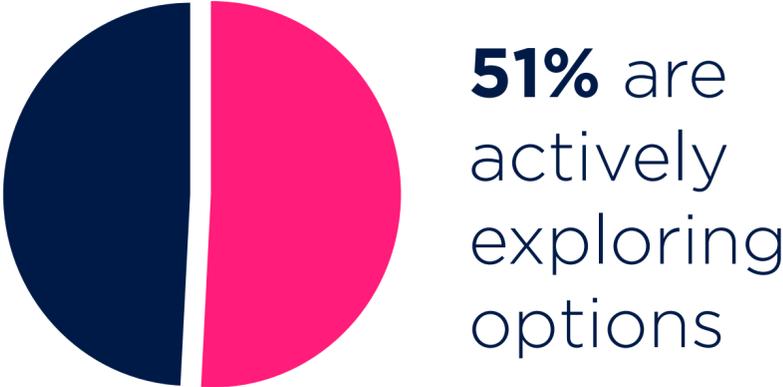
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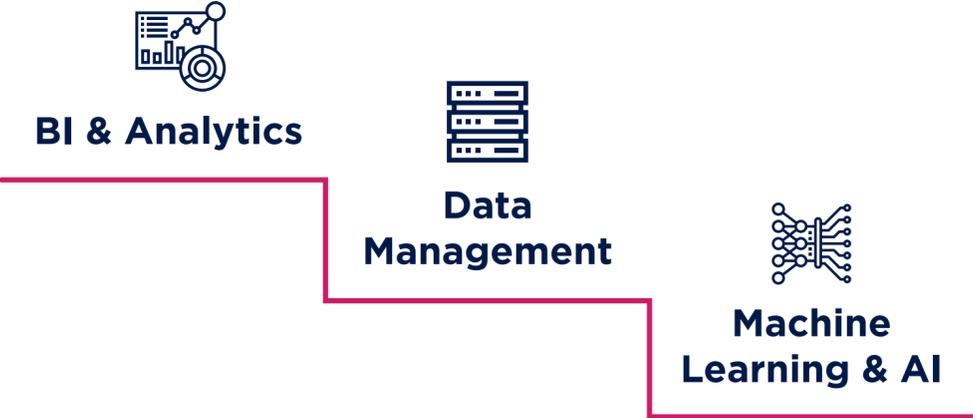
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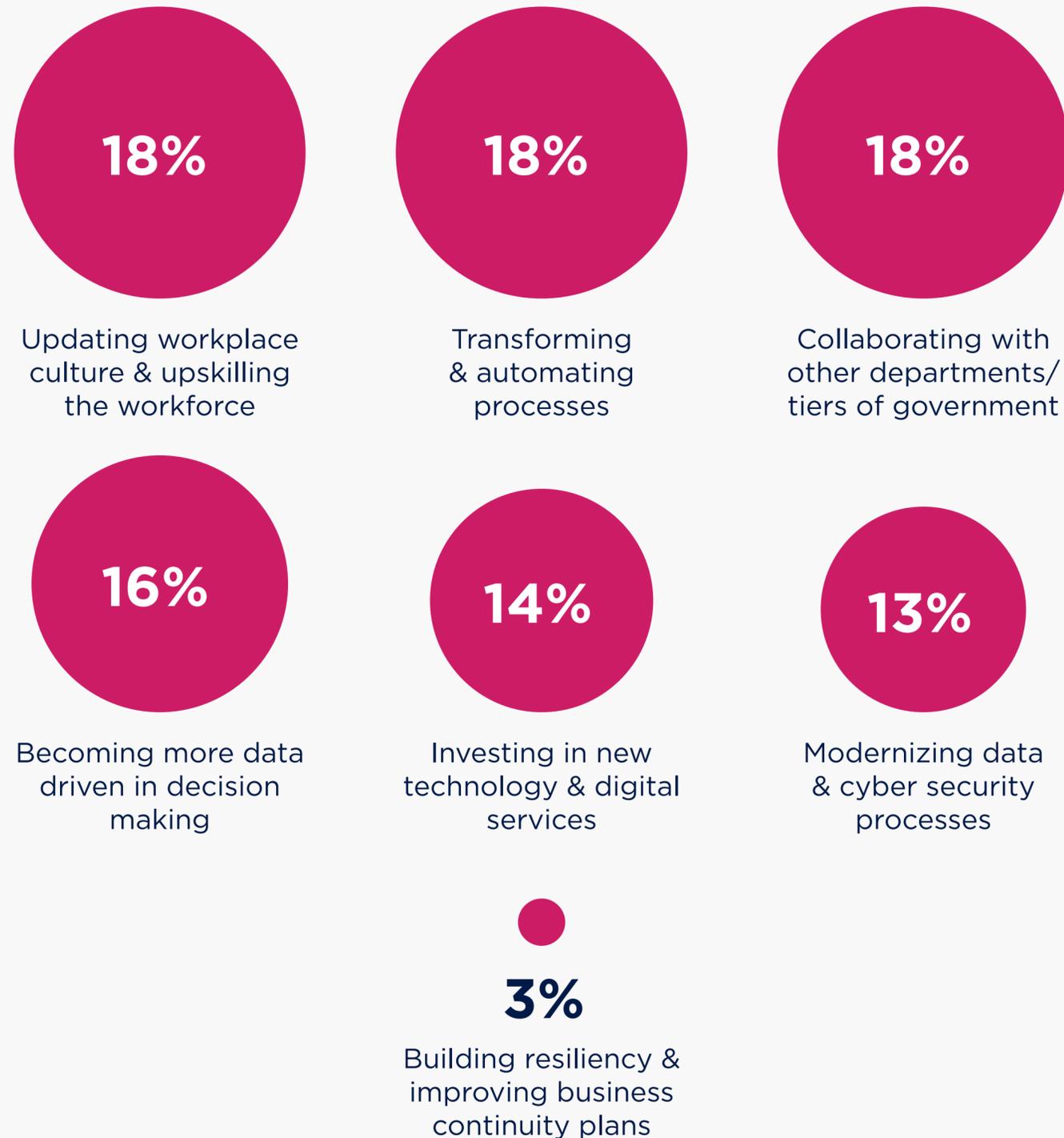
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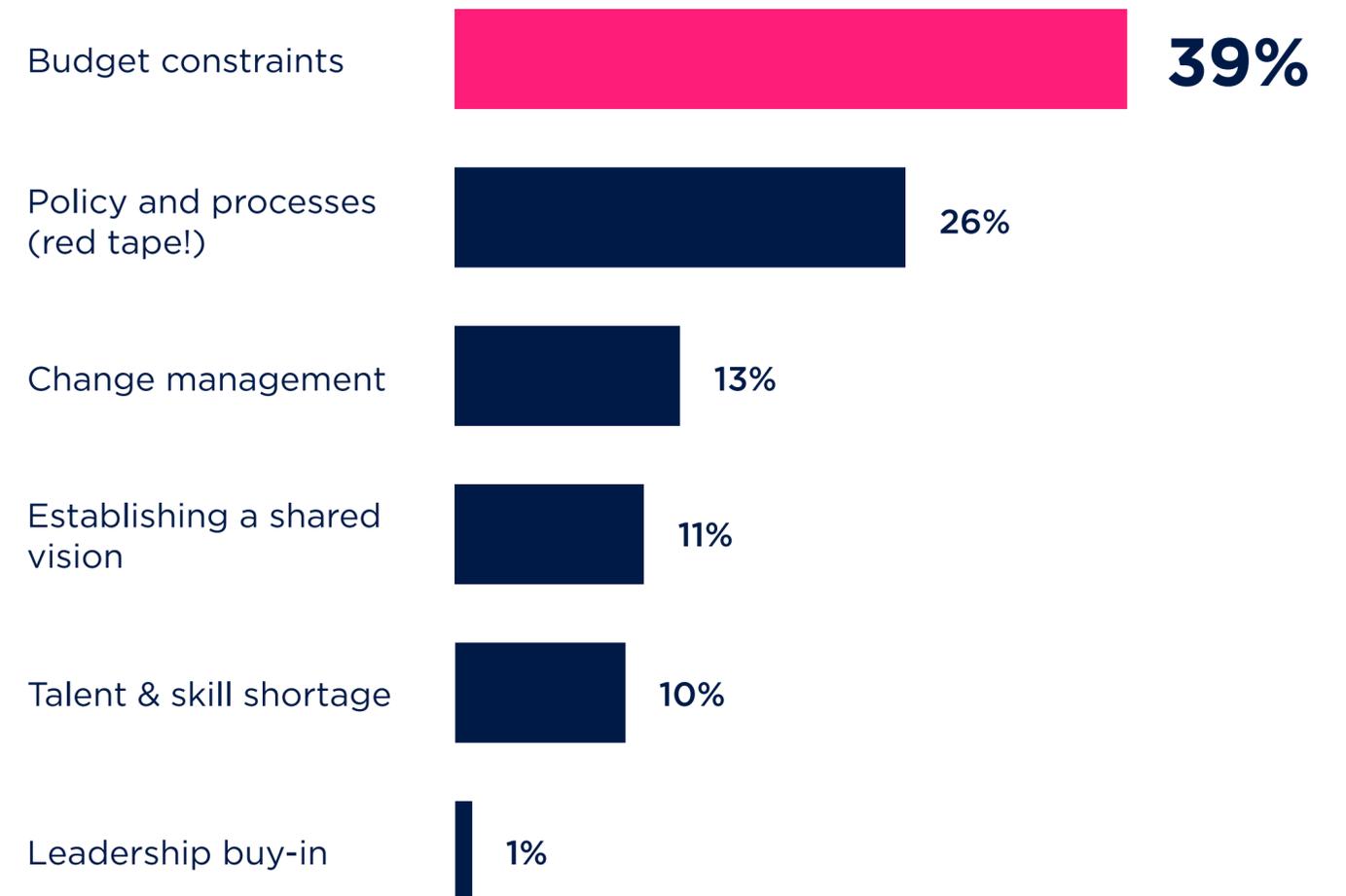
Top 3 Focus



Organization, department, or function's top priority over the next 12-24 months

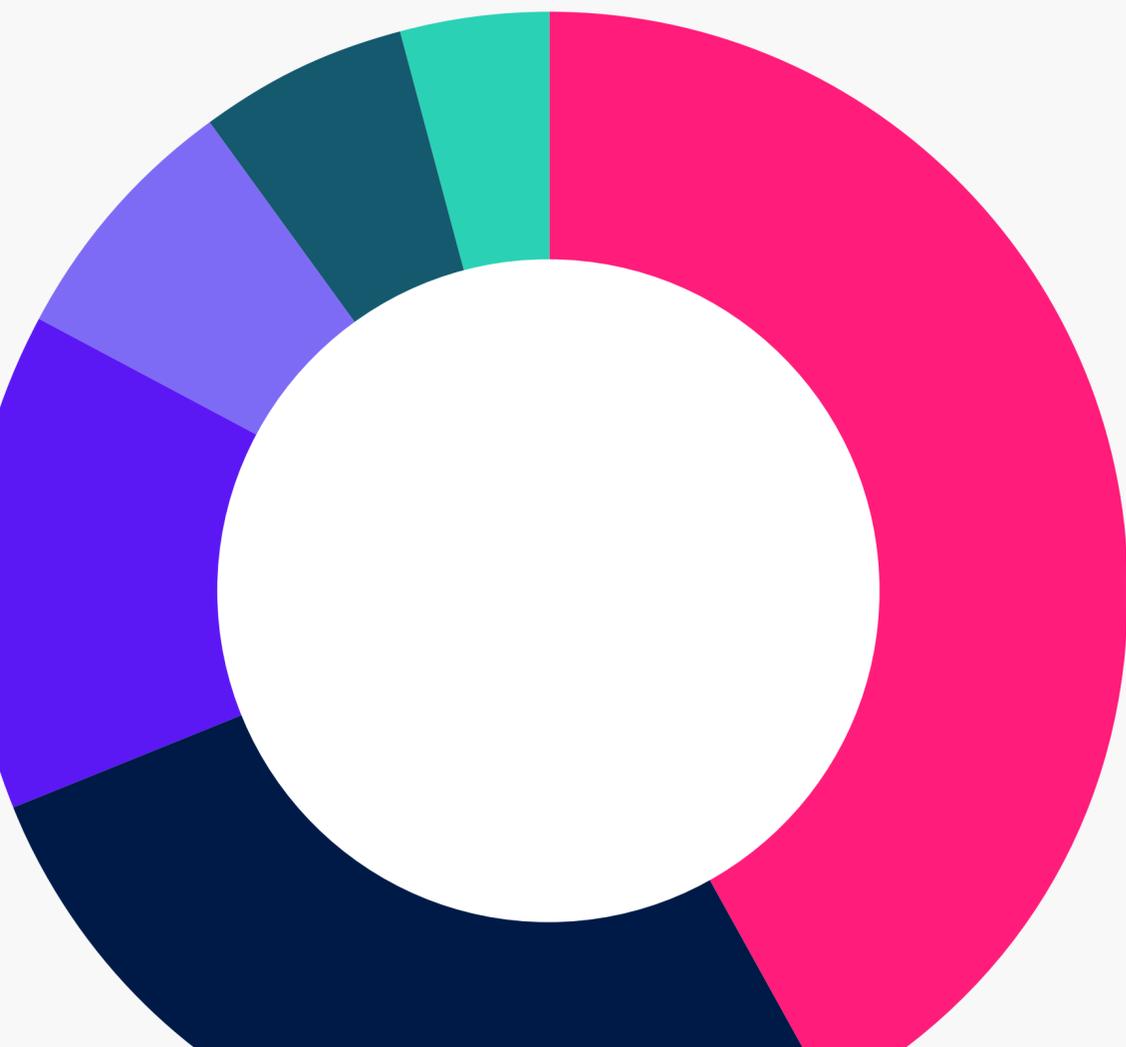


Biggest barriers to building a culture of continuous innovation within the agency/department



Biggest challenge facing the Public Sector in California

● Economic - budgets & competing priorities	42%
● Workforce - talent attraction & retention	27%
● Technological - digital divide & rate of change	14%
● Security - cybersecurity & information security	7%
● Social - accessibility and equal access for all	6%
● Demographic - population expectations & citizen trust	4%



42% said economic challenges

Ways to overcome the talent challenge across government

37% Focusing on career paths & upskilling

Expanding talent pools with flexible working
15%

We're not, but we should be
15%

Improving the government brand
13%

Aligning with employee values
13%

Offering non-traditional benefits & individualized rewards
4%

Not a current priority for us
4%

The #1 change that can help Government meet expectations

31%
Talent attraction & retention strategies

20%
Cross agency & cross sector collaboration

20%
Improved data democratization & utilization

14%
Workforce upskilling

8%
Other

7%
Expanding digital services



A photograph of four people seated on a stage for a panel discussion. From left to right: a woman in a grey blazer, a man in a dark suit, a man in a blue suit, and a man in a blue and white striped polo shirt. They are all wearing lanyards with badges. The background is a blue curtain. A large graphic overlay on the left side of the image contains a quote and the text 'State Water Board'.

“ I found this to be very engaging and super informative. One of the best conferences I have been to.”

State Water Board

Top 10

Job Titles

Assistant Chief Deputy Director

Assistant Deputy Director

CEO

CFAO

Chief AI Officer

Chief Deputy Director

Chief Enterprise Applications

Chief Financial Officer

Chief Human Resources Officer

Chief Information Officer

Organizations

California Department of Food and Agriculture

California Department of Human Resources

California Department of Motor Vehicles

California Department of Public Health

California Department of Social Services

California Department of Technology

California Department of Toxic Substances Control

California Governor's Office of Emergency Services

California Health and Human Services Agency

California Office of Data and Innovation



“ I especially like the relevance of the topics and that you have selected speakers with experience on the front lines.”

State of California Department of Technology

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Jennifer Elliott
Risk & Privacy Officer, California Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA)



Mary Nicely
Chief Deputy Superintendent, California Department of Education



Dana Moore
Executive Director, California Utilities Emergency Association



Jennifer Chan
Assistant Chief, California Justice Information Services



John Roussel
Chief Information Officer, Assistant Deputy Director, California Department of Public Health



Thomas Boon
Chief Information Officer, CA Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development



Chris Rouse
Chief Technology Officer (CTO), California Department of Human Resources (CalHR)



Mike Baca
Chief Information Officer, New Mexico Taxation and Revenue Department

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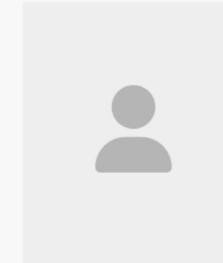
Ajit Girn
Chief Information Officer,
Employment Development
Department



Joseph Taylor
Department Chair,
Information Systems and
Business Analytics, California
State University-Sacramento



Stephanie Diamond
Chief, Workforce
Development Bureau,
Human Resource Services
Branch, Department of Social
Services



Chuck Laughlin, PE
Chief, Office of Project
Delivery Professional
Development (PDPD),
Division of Project
Management



John Sanborn
California State Chief
Learning Officer, California
Department of Human
Resources



John Meyer
Vice President Sales, Publicis
Sapient



Kathy Baxter
Principal Architect, Ethical AI
Practice, Salesforce



Eyal Darmon
North America Public Service
Data, AI and GenAI Lead,
Managing Director, Accenture



Shaw-chin Chiu
Managing Client Partner,
State of California, IBM



Dr. Aaron King
Senior Solutions Engineer,
Anthology, Inc.



Lily Lee
Director, Global Security
Strategist, Splunk



Brad Jacobs
Strategic Account Director,
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