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## Background of the research

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Everest Group defines Intelligent Document Processing (IDP) as any software product or solution that uses AI technologies such as computer vision, OCR, Natural Language Processing (NLP), and machine/deep learning to capture, categorize, and extract data from documents (e.g., email, text, PDF, and scanned documents) for further processing. These solutions are typically non-invasive and can be integrated with internal applications, systems, and other automation platforms.

IDP products find a wide variety of use cases from different business functions and verticals. The adoption of IDP solutions can not only help enterprises achieve cost savings, but also improve their workforce productivity and employee & customer experience. These products are also rapidly evolving in the sophistication of their capabilities, features, and functionalities, and IDP technology providers are increasingly offering a low-code/no-code platform to enable citizen developers to configure the platform without the need for data scientists.

In this study, we assess IDP software products that leverage AI/cognitive capabilities and are available for independent licensing. They are offered either as platforms that allow enterprises to deploy out-of-the-box solutions using pre-built modules or as custom solutions to buyers with the intent of classifying and extracting data from documents.

### In this study, we analyze the IDP technology landscape across various dimensions:

- IDP market size and adoption trends
- Buyer expectations
- IDP product capabilities and trends
- IDP solution characteristics
- IDP provider landscape
- Challenges to IDP adoption
- Outlook for 2022-23

### Scope of this report



**Geography**  
Global



**Products**  
Intelligent Document Processing (IDP)



**Technology providers**  
36 leading IDP technology providers

## Our research methodology is based on four pillars of strength to produce actionable and insightful research for the industry

01

### Robust definitions and frameworks

Function-specific pyramids, Total Value Equation (TVE), PEAK Matrix®, and market maturity

02

### Primary sources of information

Annual RFIs, provider briefings & buyer interviews, and web-based surveys

03

### Diverse set of market touchpoints

Ongoing interactions across key stakeholders, input from a mix of perspectives and interests, supports both data analysis and thought leadership

04

### Fact-based research

Data-driven analysis with expert perspectives, trend-analysis across market adoption, contracting, and providers

Proprietary database on Intelligent Document Processing (IDP) capabilities of 36 technology providers

Repository of the existing research in IDP

Dedicated team for IDP research

Executive-level relationships with buyers, service providers, technology providers, and industry associations

# Everest Group’s SOT research is based on multiple sources of proprietary information

## Proprietary database of 36 IDP technology providers

- The database tracks the providers’ offering/capabilities for:
  - Document processing and software learning features
  - Interoperability, monitoring, and improvement features
  - Deployment and hosting options
  - Partnerships with service providers and other technology providers
  - Product-related training and support services
  - Availability and adoption of commercial model(s)
  - IT governance and security

## Proprietary operational information database of technology providers (updated annually)

- The database tracks the following operational information for each provider:
  - Revenue and number of FTEs
  - Number of clients
  - FTE split by different Lines of Business (LoBs)
  - Portfolio coverage in terms of industry, geography, process areas, and buyer size

## Demonstrations and interactions with technology providers and other industry stakeholders

- Detailed demos for a comprehensive product view and executive-level discussions with IDP providers that cover:
  - Current state of the market
  - Vision and strategy
  - Annual performance and outlook
  - Opportunities and challenges
  - Emerging areas of investment

## Buyer reference interviews, ongoing buyer surveys, and interactions

- Interviews with technology providers’ reference clients and enterprise IDP buyers to get the buyer perspective around:
  - Drivers and objectives for adopting IDP
  - Apprehensions and challenges
  - Assessment of providers’ performance
  - Emerging priorities / buying criteria
  - Outcomes achieved
  - Lessons learned and best practices adopted

## Providers assessed



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# The IDP supplier landscape consists of multiple players that play varying roles

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Focus of this research

IDP landscape

## IDP Independent Software Vendors (ISV)

Technology providers that offer IDP solutions as a standalone product/solution, typically available for independent licensing



## IT-BPS service providers

Service providers that provide IDP solutions in their services portfolio; may or may not be available as standalone products/solutions





## Overview and abbreviated summary of key messages

This report is meant to provide IDP buyers, software vendors, and third-party enablers (service providers, system integrators, etc.) a detailed view of the current state of the market. As part of this, the current report provides insights into the market growth, buyer adoption trends, insights from buyer satisfaction surveys, adoption trends, and solutioning characteristics. This report also focuses on product features and technologies that are powering IDP solutions.

**Some of the findings in this report, among others, are:**

### Introduction to IDP

- IDP solutions are capable of handling complex documents with accuracy. They are generally more resilient to change (e.g., template, position of data elements, and input image quality) than traditional OCR-based solutions
- These solutions blend the power of AI technologies to efficiently process all types of documents and feed the output into downstream applications

### IDP market size and adoption trends

- The IDP market size was estimated to be ~US\$770 million in 2021 and is expected to grow at a rate of 30-35% over the next year, based on the signs of market recovery after the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic
- Banking and insurance continue to be the largest adopters of IDP solutions and account for ~34% and ~13% of the IDP market, respectively

### Buyer expectations

- Improving operational efficiency and productivity is a key driver of IDP adoption among buyers, followed by cost savings. Enhancing employee experience, increasing customer satisfaction, and achieving faster RoI are a few other important factors
- While buyers are satisfied with IDP technology providers on their overall performance, they expect providers to proactively communicate the product vision and roadmap

### IDP product capabilities and trends

- OCR, computer vision, machine learning & deep learning models, and NLP are the key core technologies powering IDP capabilities
- Software learning: pre-training, setup training, and continuous learning are the three modes for training IDP solutions

## Overview and abbreviated summary of key messages

### IDP solution characteristics

- While almost all providers offer cloud deployment option, many providers also offer on-premise deployment options
- IDP providers offer client training through classroom programs, online training portals, and end-user guidance tools such as manuals and embedded help tools

### IDP provider landscape

- ABBYY, Automation Anywhere, Hyperscience, IBM, Kofax, and WorkFusion are the top providers in terms of overall IDP revenue
- Kofax is among the leading players across major industries; ABBYY, Ephesoft, Hyperscience, Parascript, and WorkFusion are the other providers with high market share across industries

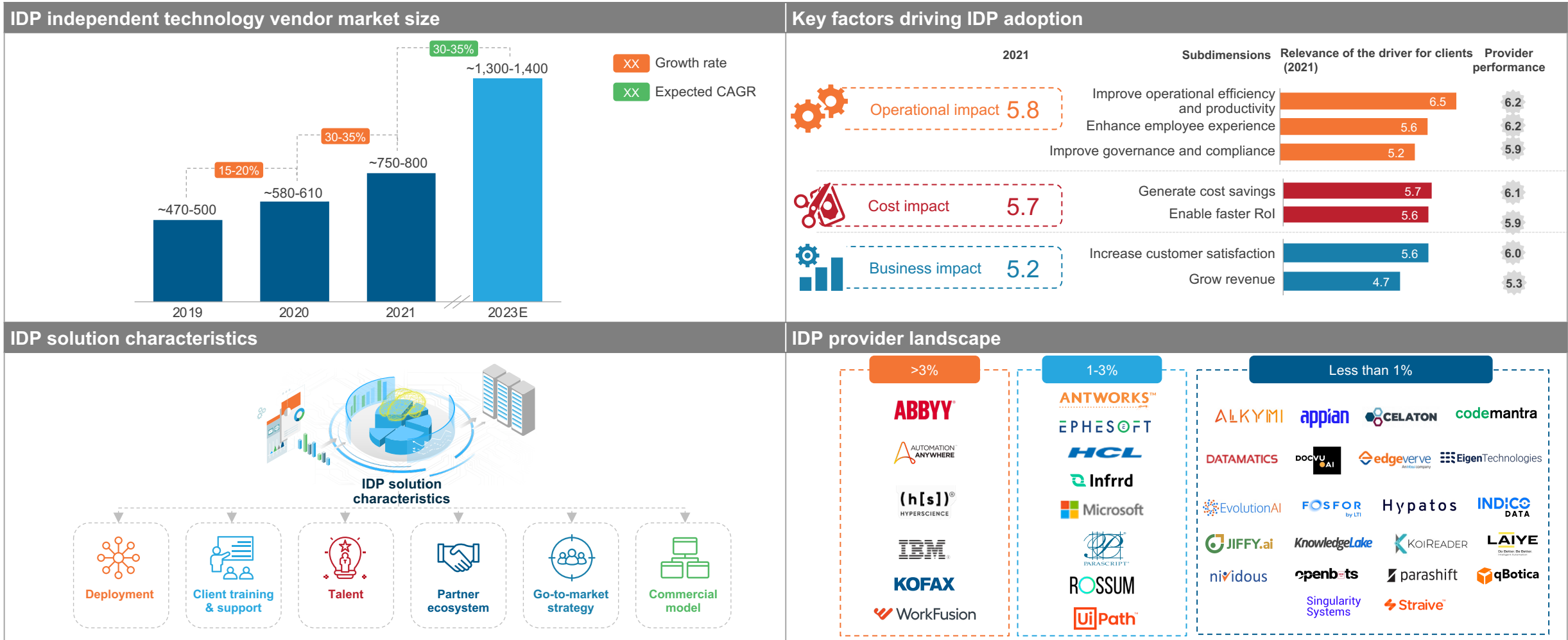
### Challenges to IDP adoption and best practices

- The key barriers to IDP adoption include lack of understanding, availability of training data, and difficulties in estimating the total benefits. Challenges such as expectation mismatch, change management & governance, and compliance & security concerns also continue to hinder adoption
- Orientation of project managers and business stakeholders is key to successful adoption. Additionally, setting realistic expectations, actively identifying and monitoring relevant KPIs, setting up centralized data management systems, defining clear governance structure, and ensuring clear alignment between IT and business functions are also critical

### Outlook for 2022-23

- IDP providers are expected to offer more out-of-the-box, pre-trained IDP solutions to meet the demand for faster ROI and quicker deployment
- Accelerated adoption of IDP solutions is expected in industries such as healthcare and pharma, government and public sector, and manufacturing

# This study offers seven distinct chapters providing a deep dive into key aspects of IDP market; below are four charts to illustrate the depth of the report



# Research calendar

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