STATE OF MARKETING **AUTOMATION FOR AGENCIES**

Marketing agency execs share the strategies and tactics they're using to leverage marketing automation for agency growth.



Agencies Have Their Eye on ROI

What are the MOST IMPORTANT OBJECTIVES of a marketing automation strategy?



on marketing automation platforms to show ROI and 42% use marketing automation to measure performance for both their own marketing efforts and those of their clients. Another key area is client

Proving ROI is an ongoing pain point for marketers, so it's no surprise that 45% of agencies rely

acquisition, with 42% of respondents noting it as a top objective in their marketing automation strategy.

Agencies Are Killing It With Marketing Automation

How SUCCESSFUL is your marketing automation strategy at achieving important objectives?

47% 42%

9%

Somewhat

unsuccessful

(below average)

2%

Very

unsuccessful (worst in class)

2% count themselves as "worst in class." An agency's strategy should be two-pronged: (1) using marketing automation to attract more clients, and (2) selling marketing automation

Nearly 90% of agencies say their marketing automation strategy is successful, while only

Somewhat

successful

(above average)

Very

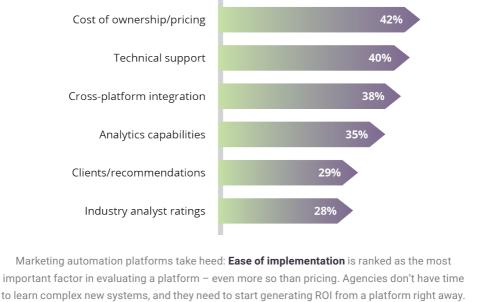
successful

(best in class)

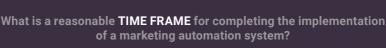


What are the MOST IMPORTANT EVALUATION CRITERIA for selecting a marketing automation system?

Ease of implementation



Get It Done in 4-6 Months



42%

36%

In-house resources only

6 months to 1 year 3 months or less 4 to 6 months More than 1 year

in less than six months, with 36% saying it should be possible in three months or less.

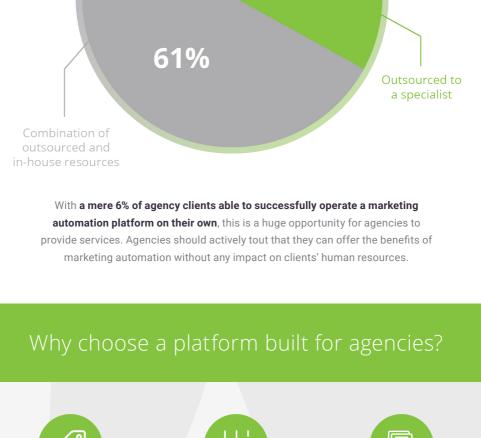
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Resource Crunch Means Revenue Opportunity for Agencies

> Which best describes the RESOURCES your clients use to implement a marketing automation system?

33%

6%



As little as 1/10th Rebrandable interface, Share email the cost of competing domain, notifications, templates among platforms and more clients

Easily add clients



Single sign-on to

Unlimited free support



Flexible platform

with hundreds of

integrations

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