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# UNVEILING THE FUTURE: APPLYING AI IN TREASURY MANAGEMENT



### WHAT

Considering how to solve prevailing challenges in treasury by leveraging AI.



### WHEN

Wednesday, May 22, 2024 2:00 PM - 2:50 PM EDT



### **WHERE**

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# **ABOUT THE SPEAKERS**

### GET TO KNOW TODAY'S SUBJECT MATTER EXPERTS



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# TOPICS OF DISCUSSION

KEY AREAS OF FOCUS & ANALYSIS



### **DEFINING THE TERMS**

POINTS OF DISTINCTION



# **AI TOOLS**

GENERAL VIEWS AND USE



### **CHALLENGES**

IN TREASURY



# AI USE IN TREASURY

**CURRENT AND PLANNED** 



# **HOW AI HELPS**

**ALLEVIATING THE PAIN** 



# **KEY TAKEAWAYS**

FROM THE RESEARCH





# **DEFINING THE TERMS**

### DISTINCT YET INTERCONNECTED



# Al

- Machines or intelligent systems that mimic human behavior to perceive, reason, learn and make decisions
  - Natural language processing
  - Problem-solving
  - Pattern recognition
  - Planning
  - Decision-making





# **Machine learning**

- Machines learn patterns from data to make predictions or decisions without having to be programmed
  - Forecasting
  - Process automation
  - Fraud detection
  - Risk management
  - Data analysis



### **Generative Al**

- Leverages machine learning to create new content
  - Automation of accounting functions
  - Portfolio management
  - Document analysis
  - Financial analysis and forecasting
  - Fraud detection





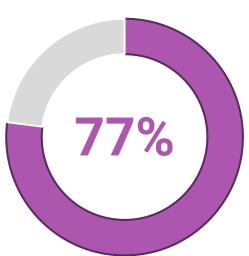
# VIEW ON TECH DEVELOPMENTS

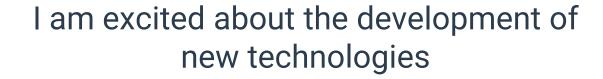
### **EXCITEMENT FAR OUTWEIGHS NERVOUSNESS**

>> Please indicate how you feel about each of the following statements.

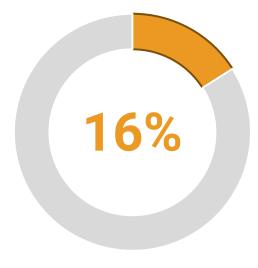
# Agree/strongly agree











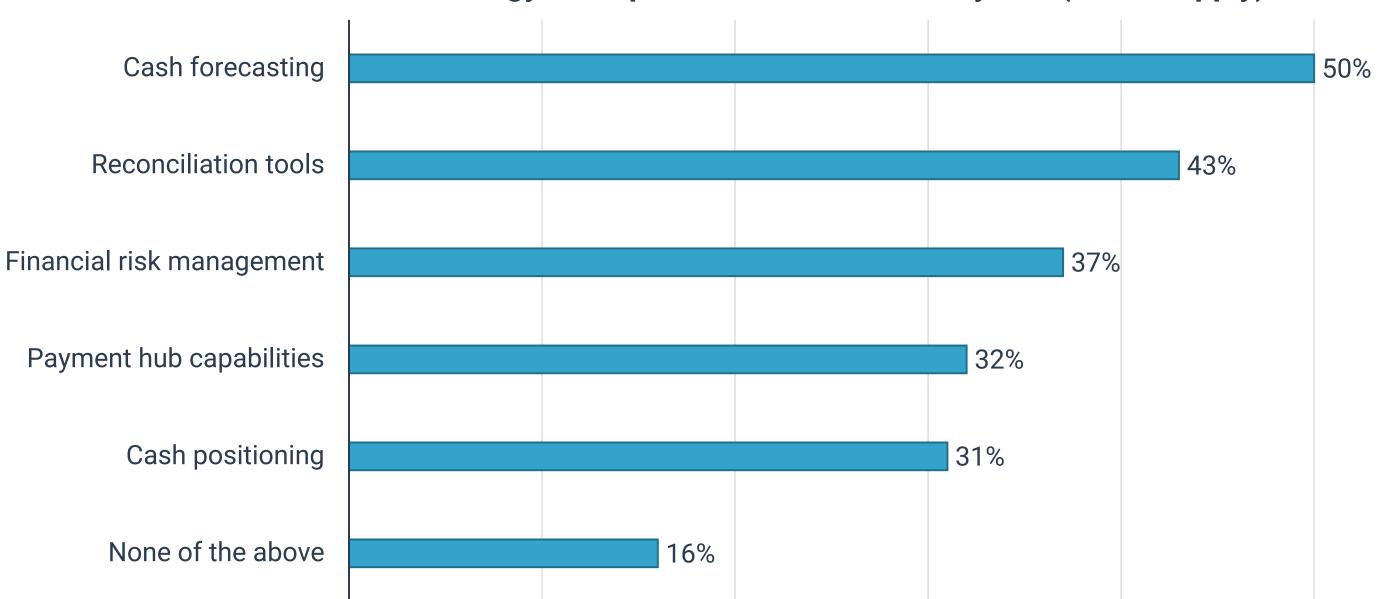
I am nervous about innovations in Artificial Intelligence / Machine Learning / Robotic Process Automation





# POLL QUESTION

Poll 1 - For which of the following core functional requirements are you planning to invest in technology to help address over the next year? (all that apply)







# **CORPORATE USE OF AI TOOLS**

# **CURRENT AND EXPECTED**

>> Please indicate your use of AI (e.g., ChatGPT, Google Bard, other AI services): (Select all that apply)





83% of corporates expect their AI use to expand in the next 12 months





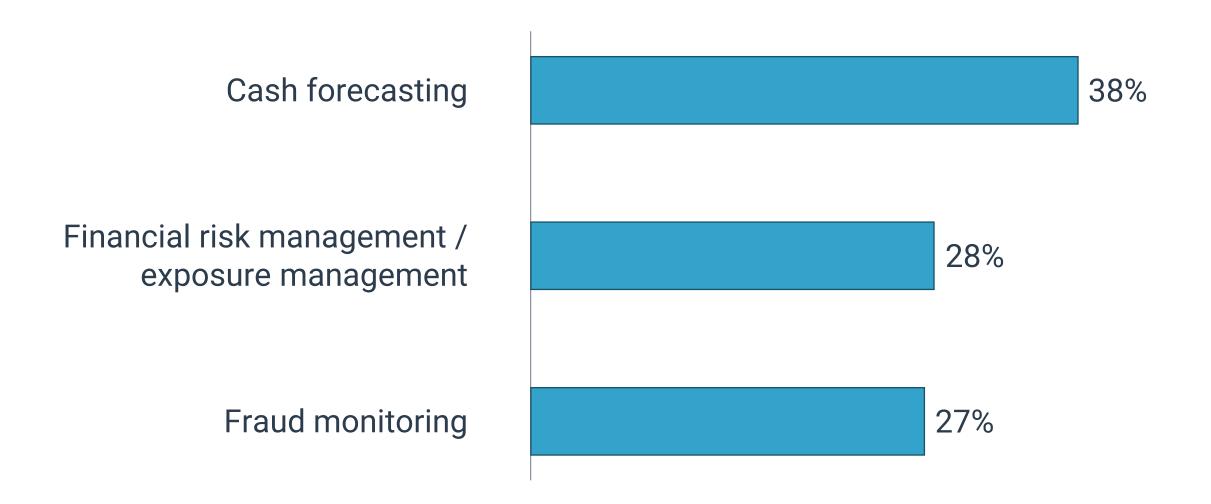
# CHALLENGES FACING TREASURY

STAFF FEELING THE PRESSURE



46% of respondents have responsibilities they don't have time to perform

Sub-question: What are these responsibilities? (Select all that apply)



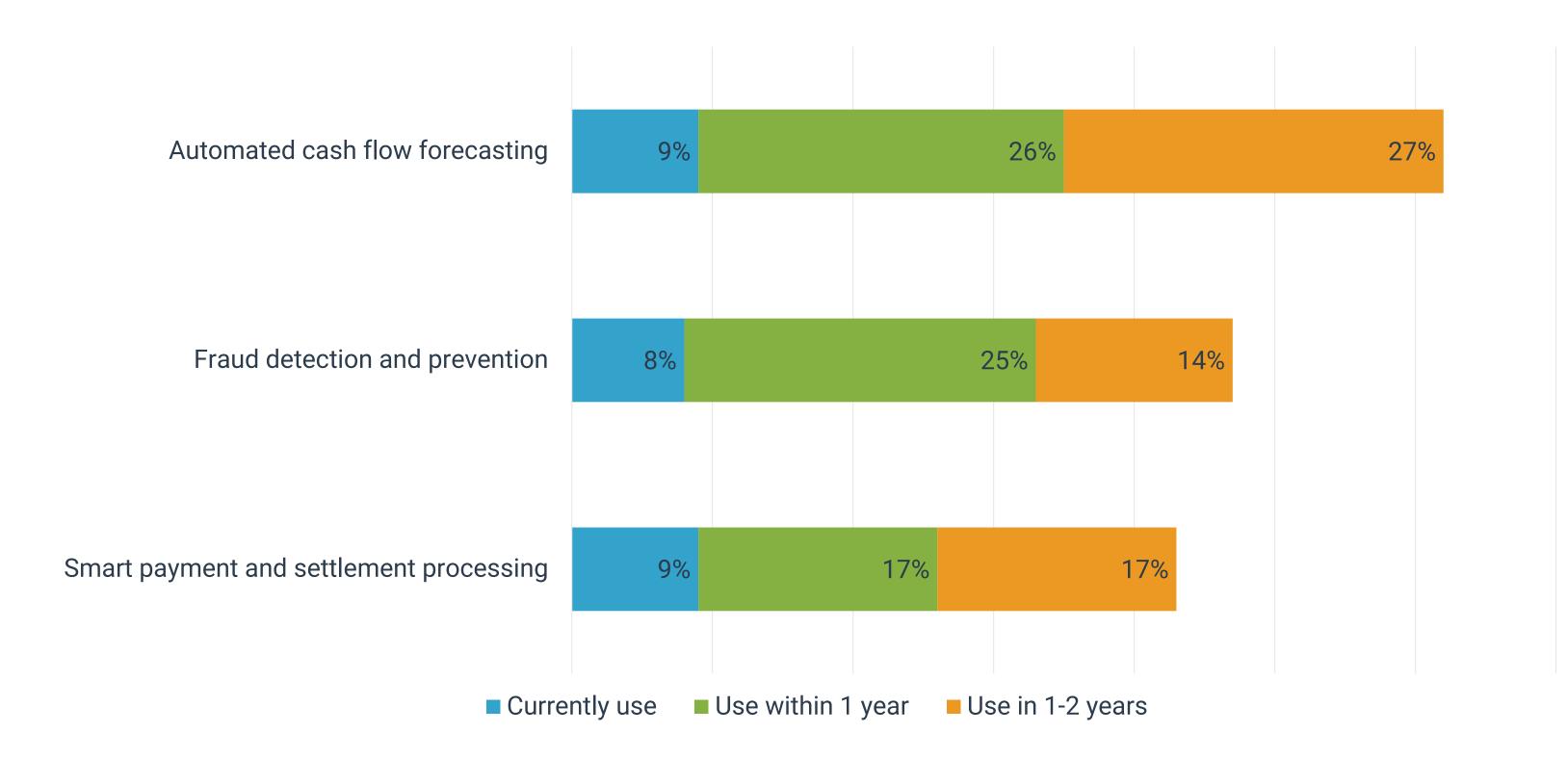




# **USES OF AI IN TREASURY**

### **CURRENT AND PLANNED**

# Corporate current and planned use of AI in the following areas

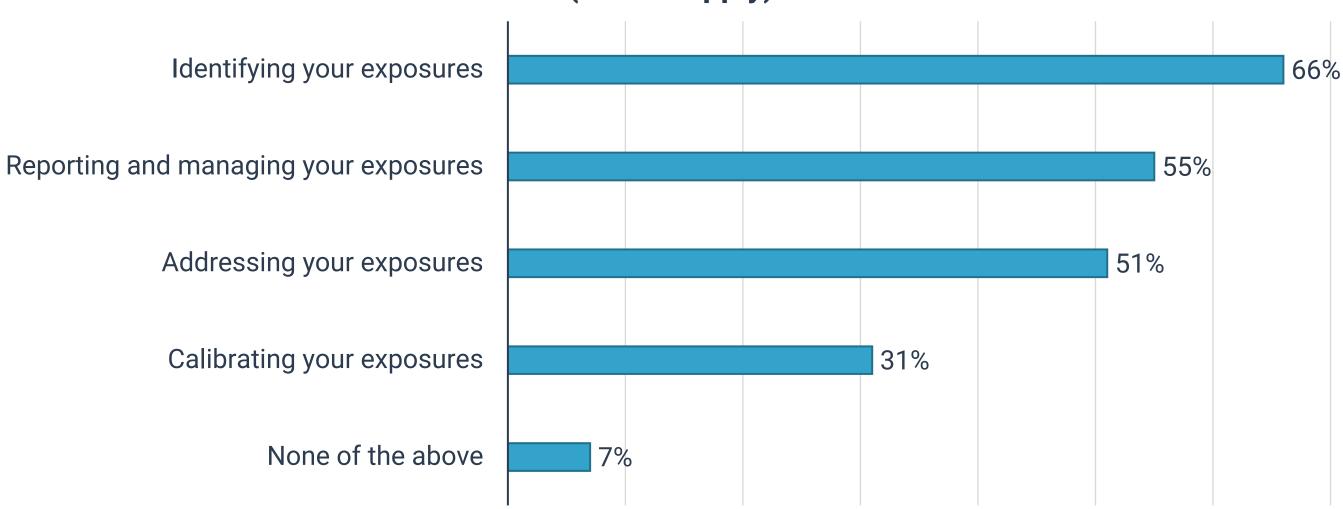






# POLL QUESTION

Poll 2 - Which of the following risk areas are you highly concerned about? (all that apply)



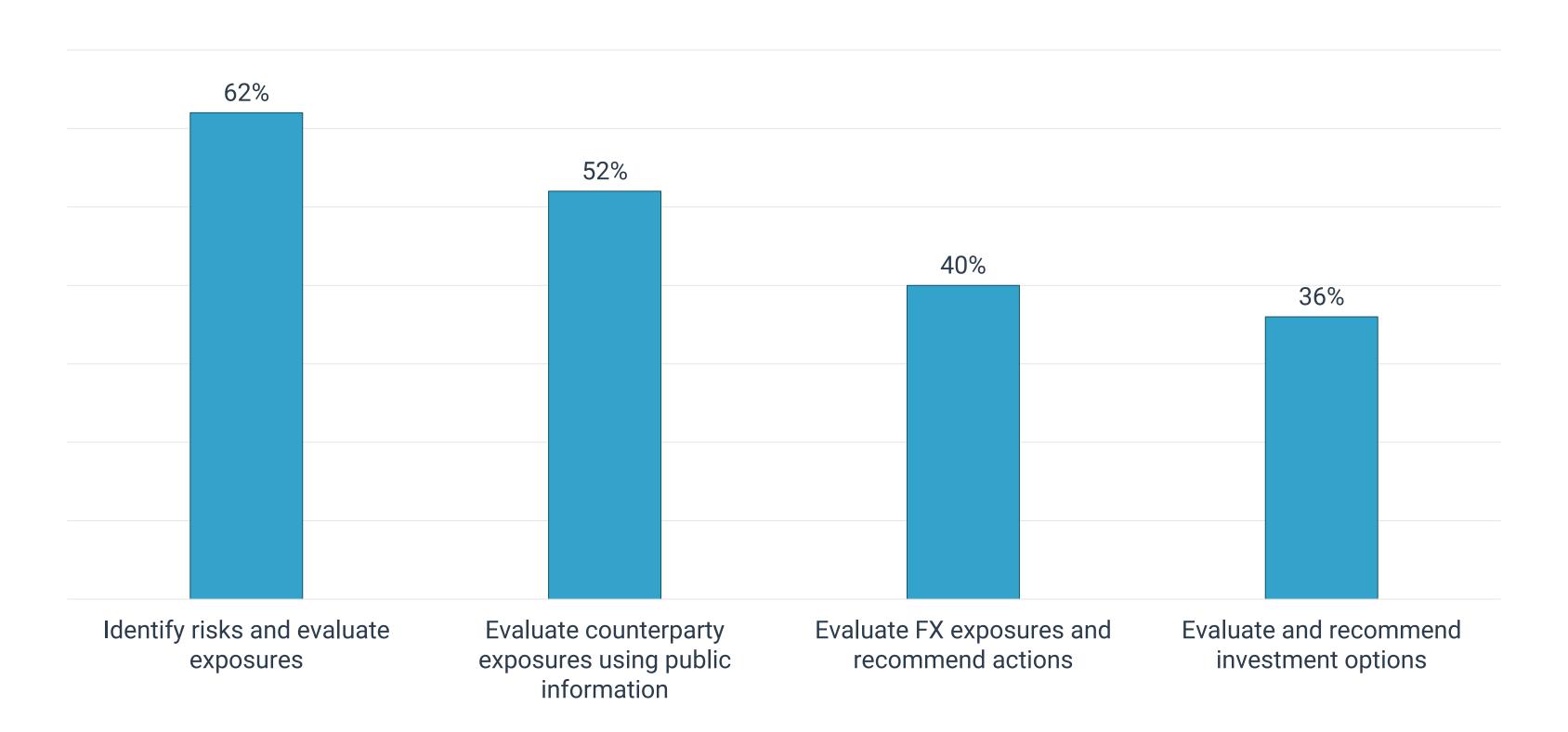




# **GENERATIVE AI**

### THE POTENTIAL IMPACT ACROSS KEY AREAS OF TREASURY

# Corporate expected use of generative AI in the following areas

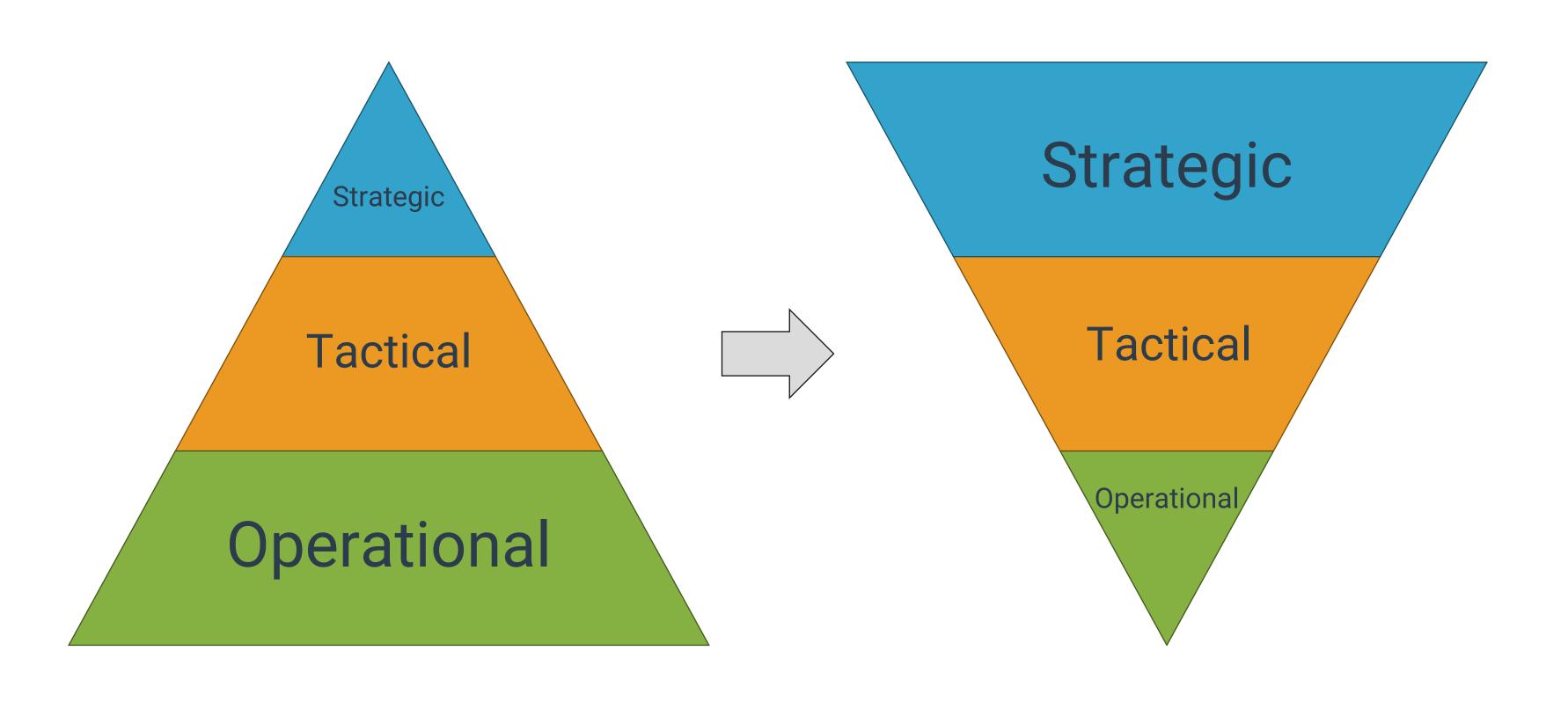






# INVERTING THE STATUS QUO

MOVING FROM THE URGENT TO THE IMPORTANT

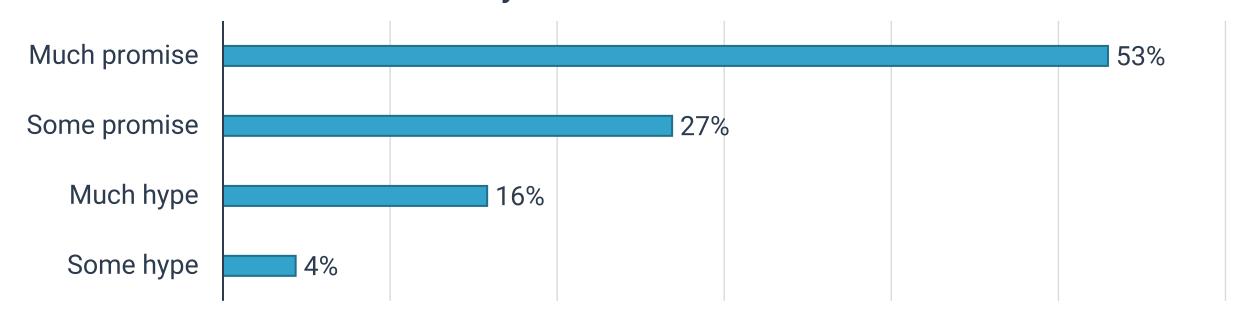




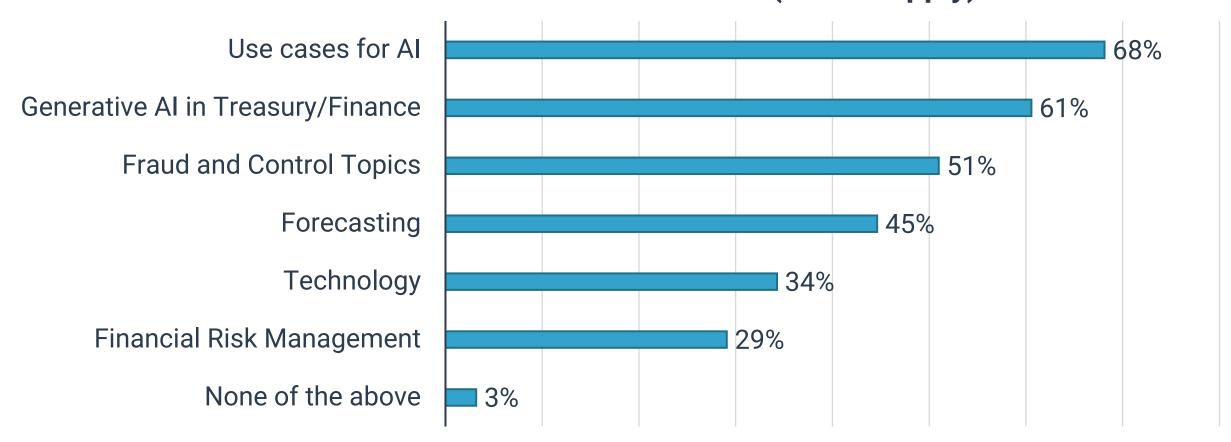


# POLL QUESTION

Poll 3 - My view on AI is that there is:



Poll 4 - I'd like to hear more about: (all that apply)





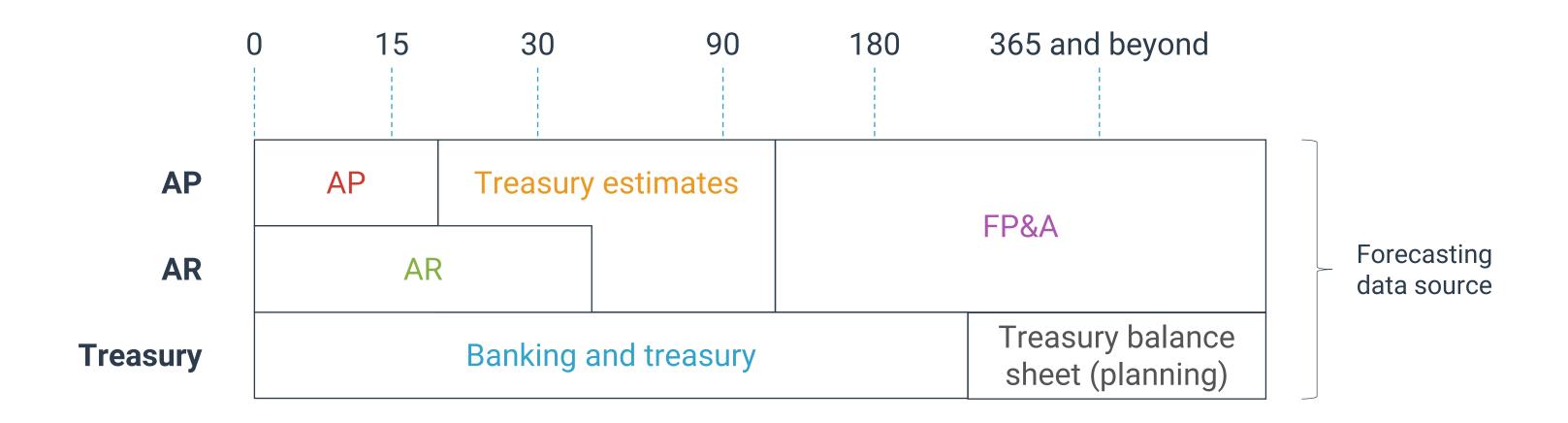


# **CASHFLOW FORECASTING**

LOCATING DATA ACROSS VARIOUS AREAS



Al automates data collection for forecasts



- More robust analysis of more complex data
- Able to run many more models with existing resources
- Learns from historical data and identifies patterns

- Provides predictive insights
- Scalable across multiple systems and datasets
- Offers support to improve models





# FRAUD PREVENTION

### **USING AI TO FIGHT AI**



### Fraudulent use

- Robust data collection
- Faster data analysis
- Creation of malicious codes
- Identify weaknesses in defense layers via pattern detection
- Fake email, audio and video generation
- Launch more attacks more often
- Increased credibility



# **Treasury's response**

- Continuously morph to stay ahead
- Leverage better tech
- Use Al-enhanced defenses
  - Pattern detection
  - Anomaly identification
  - Risk scoring
  - Faster threat detection and response
  - Scalable
  - Ongoing testing and improvement





# RISK MANAGEMENT LIFECYCLE

WHERE AI CAN HELP

Some AI opportunity

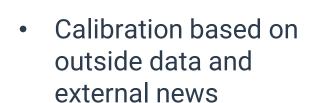
Most AI opportunity

# Risk capacity and tolerance

- Similar companies
- Income, debt, time horizon
- Input from the balance sheet or income statement



# Risk identification and calibration of exposures



- Prioritized threats
- Warning track



### **Pre-trade analytics**

- Review of options
- Listing of costs
- Level of coverageOptimal day to trade



### **Execution**

- Optimized selection
- Trade
- · Settle and reconcile



# **Reporting and analytics**

- Summary report
- Specialized trackers over time
- Performance

Feedback loop





# FINAL THOUGHTS

**HOW TO PROCEED** 



### **INFLECTION POINT**

- Early adopter today, but laggard by next year
- A 'premium' on adoption expectations rather than a 'discount'



# FRAUD RISK MITIGATION

- Criminals are using the technology to attack
- Companies need to use the technology for better defenses



# **CASH FORECASTING**

- Top area of focus for time and spend
- Plans to spend for better forecasting
- Key use case for Al





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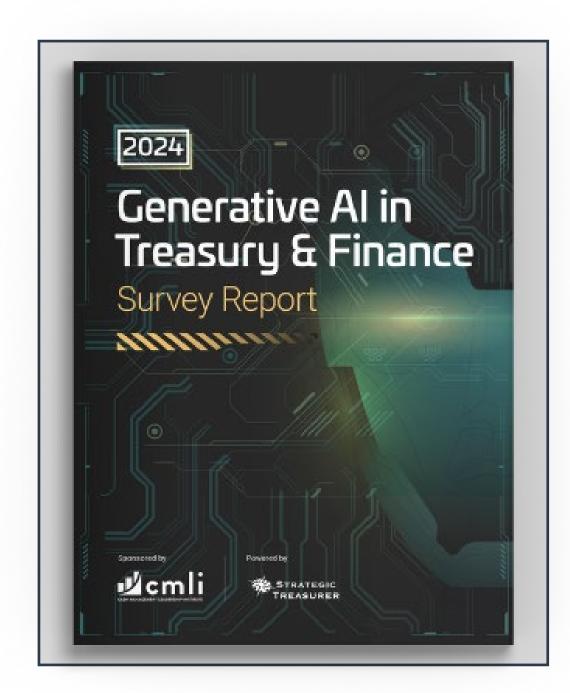
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