



“Thank You!” from the IT Trends Study Team

Data collection is complete for the 38th Anniversary IT Trends Study and we would like to extend a huge “Thank You!” to each and every one of the nearly 1,200 SIM members who took time out of their busy schedules to complete the questionnaire. The response rate hit an all-time high of over 28% of members participating – a tremendous performance for a professional society of executives and up over 20% from last year’s 22.8% response.

Final results of the hotly contested **Chapter Challenge Contest** are still being calculated. Preliminary results show the **Minnesota and South Florida chapters recorded 100% and 93% participation rates, clearly going above and beyond and setting the bar for all chapters.** Stay tuned for the official results to be published in the next week or so on @SIMint on Twitter and the SIM Connect group on LinkedIn, as well as in the June 28th edition of the *SIM Connect* e-newsletter.

The SIM IT Trends Study project generates a massive amount of data and the research team is beginning work to validate and analyze these data to provide you with insightful information about the state of IT management. Analysis and report preparation takes several months, but as things progress we will reveal insights in future editions of *SIM News Extra* and *SIM Connect* articles. **Personal benchmark reports will be sent to all those who participated around October 1st and the full Comprehensive Report will be available to all SIM members around December 1st.**

A big thanks to our generous sponsors who provide funding for the Chapter Challenge Contest:

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And a heartfelt “thanks!” to all participating SIM members – we can’t do this without you.

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