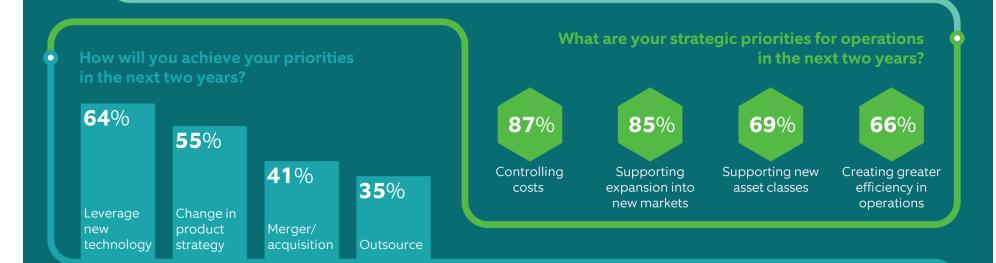


## Driving Growth in Asset Management Solutions for the Whole Office in 2020 and Beyond

Northern Trust and WBR Insights surveyed 300 Heads of Investment Operations from global asset management firms with AUM ranging from \$10bn - \$500bn to find out their plans for growth over the next two years.

The most successful asset managers are rethinking their operating models from the perspective of their whole office, seeking holistic changes to enable future growth.



Enter new global countries

49%

Invest in analytics to support the investment process

process products

48% 1 46% 1

Launch new

Enter new regions in existing markets

45% <u>11</u>

If your firm is considering or planning to increase distribution, how will you achieve this?

How do you plan to control costs in 2020?



If you are considering outsourcing in the next two years, which areas



50% Automation/technology improvements

**42**% System consolidation

40% Offshoring

34% Outsourcing

have you considered?

45% Data management

40% Back office

**38**% Middle office/IBOR

**32**% Foreign exchange

30% Investment analytics

30% Trading

## What are your biggest challenges in data management?

Ranked in order of importance from 1 (most important) to 9 (least important)

7.6

Managing changes to existing data sources/ providers 6.0

Consolidating data from multiple, disparate internal and external sources 5.8

Adding new data sources/ providers 5.2

Ensuring timely and accurate data is available to all internal and external stakeholders



Sourcing alternative data to support the investment decision making process When evaluating their whole office, whether it is leveraging the right outsourcing partners or implementing new data solutions, the successful asset managers of the future will integrate people, processes, and technology to future-proof their operating models.



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