

THE STATE OF ePAYABLES 2022 REPORT

Achieving ePayables Mastery



The recent Ardent Partners' report, "The State of ePayables 2022: Mastering a Key Function at a Critical Time" takes an in-depth look at Accounts Payable and how it has responded to challenges precipitated by the pandemic. The report, which surveyed 184 AP departments, includes benchmark statistics, analysis, and recommendations that AP, Finance, and P2P teams can use to better understand the state of AP today.

Business and finance leaders acknowledge the necessity to automate all of their AP processes, yet few have implemented full AP automation. In order to effectively achieve this goal and become masters of their AP function, organizations need to recognize that each phase of the process requires specific tasks and technologies.

Ardent Partners defines this as The ePayables FrameworkTM invoice receipt, invoice processing, invoice payment.

Figure 1: Tasks and Technologies in the ePayables Framework **RECEIVE PROCESS** PAY **Business Rules** Check, ACH, Wire Paper Validation **Commercial Cards** Fax **Payment Networks Email** Matching PDF Workflow **Supplier Discounts Supply Chain ERS** Approval

Alerts

Disputes

Finance

of businesses intend to fully automate the complete P2P cycle in the next two years

automation today Many areas are still

The state of

too reliant on manual processes. **Fully Automated**

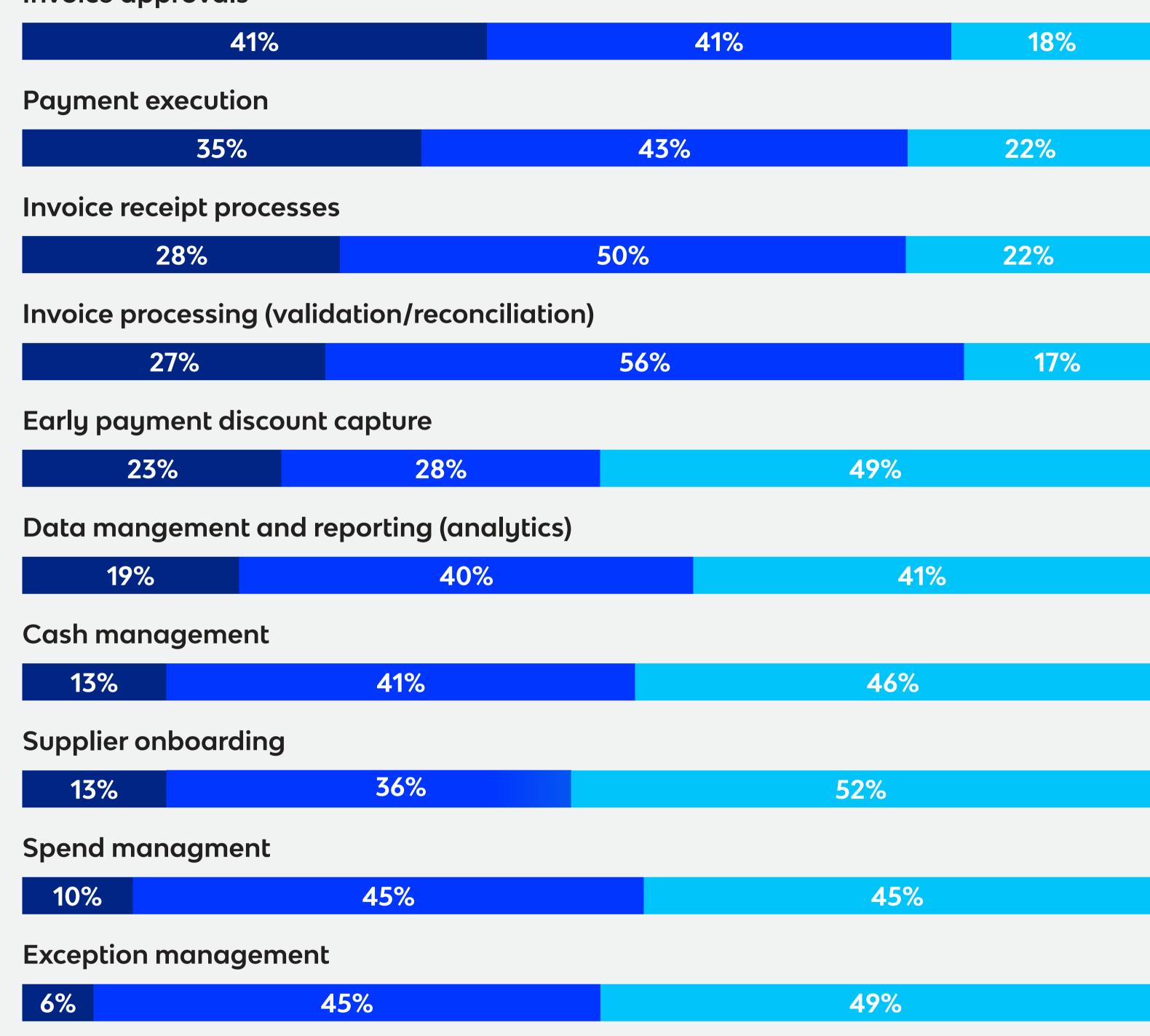
- Somewhat Automated
- Manual/Not Automated



Figure 2: Levels of Automation Across Core Areas of AP

EDI/XML, PO-Flip

elnvoice



this function.

Cash management is essential for AP operations to achieve "next level"

results and gain control over cash flow, yet only 13% have fully automated

There are technology solutions to help close

Management

The Cash

businesses have adopted them. **Currently Utilized** Plan to Implement in **Next 12 Months**

No Plans to Implement

the gap but too few

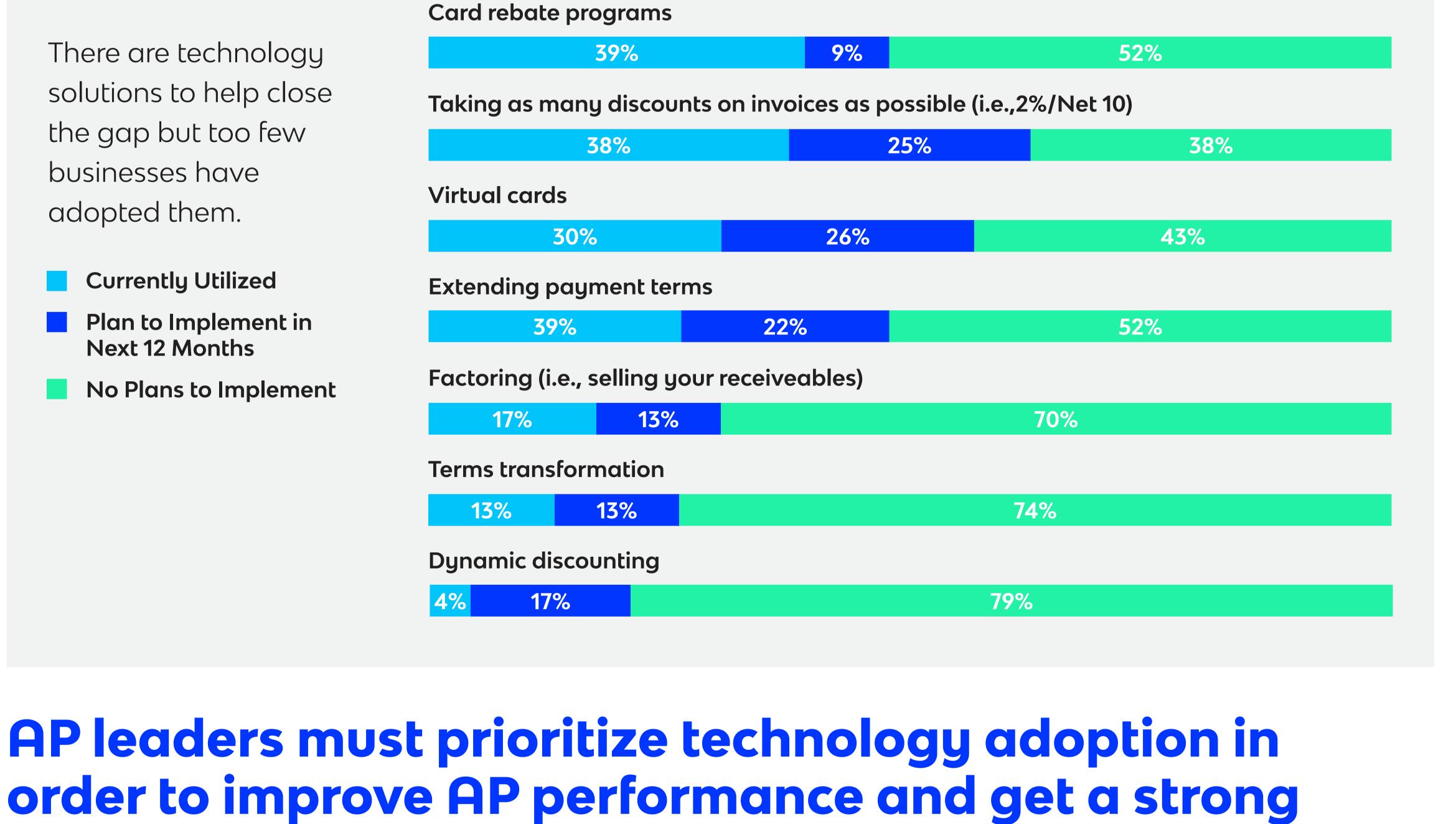
Corporate card programs

68%

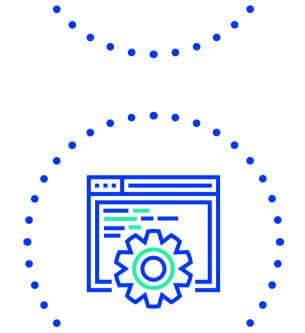
Figure 3: Current Adoption of Cash Management Tech and Capablities

5%

27%



ROI on that technology. To achieve that, AP leaders must do three things: Adopt - Mandate technology usage.



Adapt - Adapt the organization to the new systems.



by 70%.

the solutions and management is committed to ongoing improvement.

Improve – Ensure the staff is committed to using

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