

# 2002 Product Development Metrics Survey RD&E Capacity Management Practices

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#### **INTRODUCTION**

We believe it will be worth your while to complete this Research, Development, & Engineering [RD&E] survey covering the full range of Product Development and to request a copy of the results that will be sent to all survey participants who make an honest effort to complete this survey questionnaire.

The participants in our Biennial Survey receive a forty-plus page results document complete with graphics. Our 1998 and 2000 participants were completely satisfied with the document they received and sent us only accolades for our research work. We will again provide the results to those who credibly complete responses to all questions within our required timeframes. We appreciate your commitment of time and rigorousness in the completion of this survey. We will absolutely keep responses confidential!

#### COMPLETED SURVEYS ARE DUE BY August 12, 2002. THANK YOU!

A special thank you to the numerous 1998 and 2000 survey participants who emailed GGI after our recent RapidNews announcement and expressed their interest in participating in the 2002 survey. Thank you! GGI will do high quality work this time too!

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This survey covers five areas relating to Capacity Management Practices where there is currently significant industry activity. The sixth section, the first section of the survey, allows us to categorize your response. The results of this survey will be of significant interest to managers and decision makers.

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#### SECTION A RESPONDENT PROFILE

The purpose of this section is to correctly categorize your company within the population of companies that respond to this survey. Persons who wish to compare their response to the overall results, usually want to do so with other companies of similar size and type. We are trying to achieve the end result that most people seek. Please do your best to characterize your response. The format for Section A is the exact same format as the 1998 and 2000 GGI surveys which were well received.

Company Name:		which the survey results will be mailed.
Phone:	Fax:	E-Mail:
Would you like a copy of the	ne survey results?	□ Yes or □ No



A2. Is this a $\square$ public or $\square$ private	e company?	
A3. For what type/scope of company o survey? [Check One That Best Ap Parent Corporation [A P/L Unit]  Strategic Business Unit/HQ [A P Division/Business Unit/Grp [A F	oplies]  Functional  P/L Unit]  Manufactu	onding to the questions in this  Org/Dept. [Cost Center]  uring Plant [Cost Center]
A4. Identify your company's industry or	service: [Check One That Best	t Applies]
☐ Aerospace ☐ Automotive ☐ Chemical ☐ College/Univ. R&D ☐ Communications ☐ Computers ☐ Construction ☐ Consulting/Services ☐ Consumer Products	☐ Defense ☐ Durable goods ☐ Education ☐ Electronics ☐ Engineering/Contract Desig ☐ Food ☐ Heavy Machinery ☐ Industrial products ☐ Materials	Medical Products  Metals  Oil/Gas  Pharmaceuticals  Research/Nat'l Labs  Semiconductors  Telecomm. Products  Textiles  Other Ind
☐ Software-Web	☐ Software-Digital	☐ Software-Embedded
☐ Consulting ☐ Government	☐ Market Research ☐ Utility	☐ Financial Services ☐ Other Svc
A5. Sales revenue over your last full year $\square$ <\$25M $\square$ \$25-100M $\square$ \$1-5B $\square$ >\$5B	r: [Check One That Best Applie □ \$100-250M □ \$250-	
A6. Number of full-time employees:  ☐ 1-500 ☐ 500-10 ☐ 10,000-25,000 ☐ 25,000	_ ::	0 □ 5000-10,000
A7. Please indicate the types of manufact [Check All That Apply]  ☐ Process Mfg ☐ Repetit	turing operations covered by the native Mfg $\Box$ Discrete Mfg $\Box$	
A8. Places your company does business:	Sales R&D [Check All That Apply] Mfg	
A9. What function do you personally perf  ☐ Mgt ☐ Sales ☐ Mktg ☐ R& ☐ Quality ☐ Environ./Safety/Reg	&D/Eng ☐ Mfg-Production	

# **SECTION B**

☐ e. Other

### LOADING THE RD&E CAPACITY PIPELINE

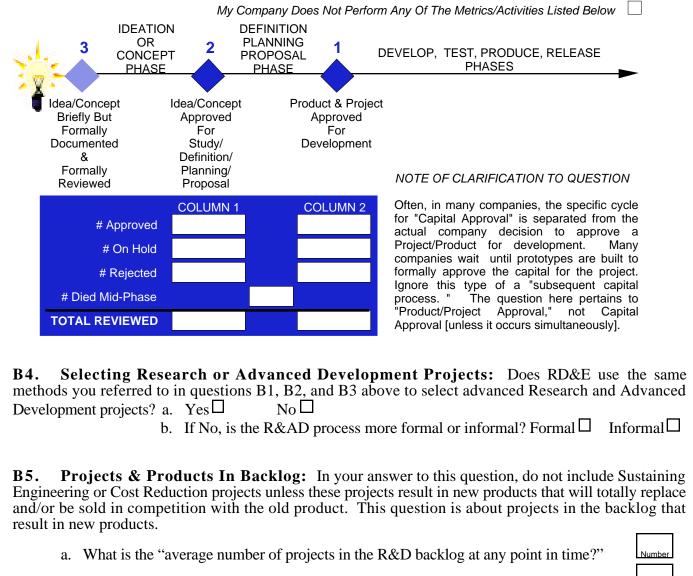
idea/concept/definition/p	ocess: How many times does your company review a given proposal before finally making a business decision to either formally approve or d RD&E product and/or investment project. [Check One Box Only]
□ a. 2.5-Step	First a simple short, probably one-page, description of the idea is discussed. Little work has been performed, if any. The idea is in a highly raw state. At this time, it is either killed, tabled, or moved forward for further analysis.
□ b. 2- Step	First a preliminary marketing and technical analysis is reviewed. At this time, it is either killed, tabled, or moved forward for final estimation.
□ c. 1- Step	A single top management meeting is held for a go/no go decision. A complete comprehensive plan/analysis has been prepared for consideration. Work leading up to this meeting has been conducted in functional organizations.
□ d. No-Step	One person/organization determines the R&D products/projects to be done. Or, somehow it happens without any perceiveable process. There is no cross-functional multi-disciplined management team that decides.

**B2.** Selection Process Decisionmakers & Decisionmaking: How many people are involved in the selection process you referred to in your response to Question B1 above? Limit your response to include the actual decisionmakers only, not everyone consulted during the process. [If you have a "No-Step" or "1-Step Process," fill out only "Column 2" in the box below. If you have a "2-Step or 2.5 Step Process," fill out "Columns 1 and 2."]

, l	3	IDEATION OR CONCEPT PHASE	2	DEFINITION PLANNING PROPOSAL PHASE	1	DEVELOP,	TEST, PRODUCE, RE PHASES	ELEASE
İ	Idea/Concep Briefly But Formally Documente & Formally Reviewed	d	dea/Concep Approved For Study/ Definition/ Planning/ Proposal	Α	uct & Proje Approved For velopment			
	Number of F Making The Decision	People	COLUMN 1	CC	OLUMN 2			
		n Process is Meeting	best descri	bed as.				
		Meeting						
	Somehow H	Happens						
	Sc	olo Effort						
	l	Jnknown						



**B3. Pipeline Loading & Decisionmaking:** This question measures "throughput and yield rate" of product selection decisions made during a <u>one-year period</u>. Does your company approve every product/project presented, or do some products/projects not get approved? [If you have a "No-Step" or "1-Step Process," fill out only "Column 2" in the box below. If you have a "2-Step or 2.5 Step Process," fill out "Columns 1 and 2."]



**B6.** Projects & Products Released Each Year: In your answer to this question, do not include Sustaining Engineering or Cost Reduction projects unless these projects result in new products that will totally replace and/or be sold in competition with the old product. This question is about projects completed that result in new products, not total projects completed.

b. About how many "saleable end-item products (not spare parts)" does this represent?

a.	What is the '	"average i	number o	f projects	completed	each year?"
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b. About how many "saleable end-item products (not spare parts)" does this represent?

Number

Number



# SECTION C PROVIDING CAPACITY FOR RD&E ACTIVITIES

engineering	or lab	Contract/Temporary Labor/Services: Does RD&E utilize outside contractors, coratory analysis services, engineering prototyping services, process piloting services, services, packaging design services, drafting, contract programmers, and other outside Yes No
	bc.	If Yes, what % of total capacity is outsourced each year across all services? [Please check one box for Average. Please check two boxes for the Range experienced over good and poor economic environments.]
	d.	Average Range  Less Than 10%
determine th previously/a	e nun Iread	<b>g Resources To Sustaining Activities:</b> What method does RD&E use to nber of resources to allocate to sustaining engineering activities to support products y released for sale? [Check one box for each practice that exists in your company. for the single most common practice.]
	a. Su	ustaining engineering, spare parts, service is a profitable revenue producing business. We organize resources around these activities.
		lmost everyone is involved. roduct support takes what it takes.
	S	Imost everyone is involved. ustaining engineering needs are reviewed periodically. esources are targeted to these activities/projects, equally prioritized to new products.
	S	lmost everyone is involved. ustaining engineering needs are reviewed periodically. esources are targeted to these activities/projects, but new products take priority.
		esources are clearly divided into development and sustaining groups within RD&E. ustaining activities are performed at significant level outside the sustaining group.
	f. R	esources are clearly divided into development and sustaining groups within RD&E. ustaining engineering work remains contained within the sustaining group.
	g. T	he company does not sustain products. We outsource sustaining engineering.
	h. T	he company does not sustain products after initial bug fixes. We replace them.
	i. C	Other: Write In (Optional):



### SECTION D BALANCING CROSS-FUNCTIONAL RESOURCES

Preface to SECTION D: The information requested in this section is necessary to calculate staffing ratios within RD&E and across Cross-Functional Organizations. The questions in this section are designed to remove the burden of calculation from respondents. We are requesting the raw data. While the questions calculate "% of Time New Prod" and "% Sustaining" which is useful unto itself, the purpose is to get at the staffing ratios. Question D1 and D2 must include the raw headcount data in order to compute the Staffing Ratios. Neither the "Internal To RD&E Staffing Ratios" nor the "Cross-Functional To RD&E Staffing Ratios" can be derived without the raw headcount estimates. GGI will not sample the survey population in such a way that individual company responses become determinable.

Instructions to SECTION D: Include outside contractor labor that supplements internal development staff, but not permanently outsourced/purchased activities. Use best estimates for all questions. There is almost no such thing as an "exact" answer for % Time New Prod vs. % Time Sustain Prod. If you normalize the response, treat D1 and D2 as a whole.

**D1. RD&E Ratios:** For decades, corporate managers have estimated staffing requirements in certain functions using ratios. In mechanical engineering, for example, a popular ratio is the number of draftpersons to the number of engineers. In software development, for example, a popular ratio is the number of developers to the number of V&V/SQA testers. The purpose of this question is to determine average industry staffing ratios between functions involved in RD&E/Product Development.

LIST OF	TOTAL	_%	%
FUNCTIONAL DEPARTMENT NAMES	PEOPLE	TIME	TIME
TYPICAL IN INDUSTRIAL, HIGH-TECH, PHARMA/BIOTECH COMPANIES	IN FCN	NEW PROD	SUSTAIN PROD
RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, ENGINEERING, & PRODUCT	TON	FROD	FROD
DEVELOPMENT RESOURCES			
Top Management/Staff & Management Not Included In Section Below		%	%
Basic Research, Applied Research, Advanced Development		%	%
		%	%
Development including Biology, Microbiology, & Life Sciences		%	%
Development including Chemistry, & Material Sciences		%	%
Development including Physics, Applied Mathematics, & Mathematics		%	%
Write In:		%	%
Write In:		%	%
H/W Design Engineering including Architects and Principal Engineers		%	%
H/W Design Technicians		%	%
H/W Design Draftpersons		%	%
H/W Test Engineering not including Production Test Engineering		%	%
H/W Test Technicians not including Production Test Technicians		%	%
H/W Test Draftpersons not including Production Test Draftpersons		%	%
Write In:		%	%
Write In:		%	%
S/W Architecture, System Design & Development Engineering		%	%
S/W Programmers		%	%
S/W Test including V&V, SQA,		%	%
Write In:		%	%
Write In:		%	%
RD&E Admin: Formulations & BOMs, Change Process		%	%
RD&E Admin: Systems including LIMS, CAD, CAE, S/W Tools		%	%
RD&E Admin: Program/Project Management, Finance, Accounting		%	%
Write In:		%	%
All Other RD&E not included in above categories.		%	%
TOTAL / AVERAGE / AVERAGE		%	%



**D2.** Cross Functional Ratios: In the early 1990s, in three separate studies, industry-wide surveys were conducted that estimated staffing levels between RD&E and cross-functional organizations that support product development. The purpose of this question is to determine average industry staffing ratios between functions involved in RD&E/Product Development in 2002, and whether those ratios have changed during the past decade.

LIST OF FUNCTIONAL DEPARTMENT NAMES TYPICAL IN INDUSTRIAL, HIGH-TECH, PHARMA/BIOTECH COMPANIES	TOTAL PEOPLE IN FCN	% TIME NEW PROD	% TIME SUSTAIN PROD
CROSS-FUNCTIONAL RESOURCES IN FUNCTIONS DIRECTLY SUPPORTING NEW PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT & SUSTAINING			
Strategic Marketing		%	N/A
Product Marketing & Management		%	%
Write In:		%	%
Write In:		%	%
		%	%
Purchasing		%	%
Manufacturing Engineering		%	%
Process Engineering including Facilities Eng. for process companies		%	%
Quality including Reliability Engineering, QA, QC,		%	%
Production Test including Production & Production Test Engineering		%	%
		%	%
Write In:		%	%
Write In:		%	%
Write In:		%	%
All Other RD&E not included in above categories.		%	%
TOTAL / AVERAGE / AVERAGE		%	%

# SECTION E USING SYSTEMS, TOOLS, & METRICS TO MANAGE CAPACITY

**E1.** Frequency Of Capacity Planning & Analysis: What periodic interval best describes the visibility of metrics and metrics reporting at the top level of the product development organization? [Check One Box Only]

Continuous, I sleep with capacity.	Ш
Daily	
Weekly	
Monthly	
Quarterly	
Semi-Annual	
Annual	
Every 2-3 years, then it dies down.	



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				nt Metrics Survey
"capacity	rstem Used For Capa planning & analysis system arce" can be used interchan	n" that your company use	es for RD&E? Assu	me the terms "capacity"
	Custom Developed Softw Custom Developed Softw Custom Developed Softw Custom Developed Softw Custom Developed Softw	rare Application, Built on rare Application, Built on vare Application, Soup To	top of ERP System/I top of Multi-Project Nuts, By ENG.	System, By IS
	Multi-Project Project Mar		ed By Supplier Of T	he ERP System
	- Baan, SAP, Po Multi-Project Project Mar	nagement System, Provide	ed By Supplier Of S	pecialty Software
	- Artemis, etc Multi-Project Project Mar	nagement System, Provide	ed By Supplier Of P	M Software
	- Primavera, Sc Multi-Purpose Process M - IDE, Sopheon		ided By Supplier Of	Specialty Software
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	Capacity Management, A			s Baffled
the "syste	ptimization Capability em" referred to in your re n below. [Check One Box	sponse to E2, please cat	Capacity Plannin egorize the optimiz	<b>g &amp; Analysis:</b> Using ation capability per the
		Optimizes project backlog Assembles project backlog	- •	
does your any indivi	company actively use who dual elements of a Model leck One Abstraction Meth	en planning projects and that closely align with the	resources "at a high e terms for the elem	level?" Please indicate
Pla Ma De Ex	a. Architectural Model atform  ajor Derivative  crivative  tension  staining	☐ b. Size Model Large Project/Program Medium Project Small Project Cost Reduction Project Sustaining		☐ c. No Abstractions Each Project's Data Is Used ☐ d. Judgement



	e used b	<b>Priority:</b> How many metrics are in the set of metroy R&D Officers to measure and/or steer RD&E as a whole? This question pertains so related product development activities.	
	a.	RD&E does have a clearly defined "set of metrics" that is known by most R&D manage	rs.
		The number of metrics in the set is Number	
	b.	RD&E does not have a clearly defined set, but the number can be derived.	
		I have derived/estimated an answer by adding up the number of metrics reported by s members at company meetings. Therefore, the number of metrics in the company-w "set of metrics" determined by way of my calculation for the purpose of completing survey is:	vide
		Ten or Less Metrics ☐ 101-125 Metrics ☐ 11 - 25 Metrics ☐ 126-150 Metrics ☐ 150-175 Metrics ☐ 150-175 Metrics ☐ 176-200 Metrics ☐ Greater Than 200 Metrics ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐	
	c.	☐ RD&E <i>does not have</i> a clearly defined set, and the number <i>cannot</i> be derived.	
	d.	If you answered either "a" or "b" above, what is the number of capacity managen metrics that are part of the "set".	nen
		The number of metrics in the set is Number	
SECT	ION F	RD&E METRICS USED IN INDUSTRY	
The rewidely 2002 swill ge	sults jusused by urvey we the best the best the best the best the best to be the best to be the best t	sists of one single question. GGI asked this question in both the 1998 and 2000 survemped off the page. It turned out that there are very few metrics that are commonly y R&D organizations. Nearly identical responses appeared both times. The results of vill be contrasted to the 1998 and 2000 findings so first time participants in the 2002 surnefits of all three surveys. Survey participants wishing more information should refer to a issue of CFO Magazine published by The Economist.	and this rve
"in use the top organiz is cons the mea	"," these manage zation co istent fr asures li	h of the following R&D metrics are "in use" at your company?: To qualify metrics should: (1) be measured at least on an annual basis; (2) be visible to <i>all</i> member ement group as active ongoing tools; (3) be stored in a manner that numerous people in ould find them easily; and (4) have some reliability in that the method used to calculate the rom year to year. Please be strict in applying this definition of "in use" when responding isted for your consideration below. [Check All That Apply]	rs o the hen
Produ	ctivity	Of Capacity Measures	
		ROI - Return On Innovation [Calculated using any method/procedure.]  Write-In/Consultant Developed  Write-In/Home Grown  Write-In/Other	



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	2002 Product Development Metrics S	Sui
<b>Productivity Of C</b>	Capacity Measures – continued.	
	Average sales per engineer or developer or scientist Average profits per engineer or developer or scientist	
	Average products produced per engineer or developer or scientist Average parts produced per engineer or developer or scientist Average drawings produced per engineer or developer or scientist Average lines of code produced per engineer or developer or scientist	
	Average new products released per engineer or developer or scientist Average new product sales per engineer or developer or scientist Average new product profits per engineer or developer or scientist	
	Average number prototypes built per new product % First pass design success	
Aggregate Capaci	ty Measures	
	R&D capacity plan target level % Over/under R&D capacity plan target level	
	<ul> <li>% Increase/decrease in R&amp;D headcount</li> <li>% Resources/investment dedicated to new product development</li> <li>% Resources/investment dedicated to sustaining existing products</li> </ul>	
	Staffing Ratios: Internal-To-Engineering staffing ratios Cross-Functional staffing ratios	
	Average # factory products supported per engineer or developer or scientist Average # active projects/ products per engineer or developer or scientist	t 🗆
Throughput Of C	apacity Measures [Assumes "Per Time Period," Usually Per Quarter or Year]	
Davanna Errara Co	# of idea/concept screened/reviewed % of ideas/concepts accepted/rejected # of products in definition/planning/estimation stages % of defined products/projects accepted/rejected # of products/projects approved but not started [inactive backlog] # of products/projects in active development [active backlog] # of products released # of products actively supported/sustained # of products retired/obsoleted	
Revenue From Ca		
	Current-year % sales due to new products released in the past N-years  If used, what is $N = \frac{Number}{Number}$ year(s) (i.e., past 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 years)	Ц



# Revenue From Capacity Measures – continued. Current-year % sales due to total Non Recurring Engineering Billings Current-year % sales due to total technology licensing Current-year % sales due to total royalty income First-Year Sales of new products First Two Years of Sales of new products First Three Years of Sales of new products First Four Years of Sales of new products First Five Years of Sales of new products **Profit From Capacity Measures** Current-year % profits due to new products released in the past N-years If used, what is $N = \frac{Number}{y}$ year(s) (i.e., past 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 years) Current-year % profits due to total Non Recurring Engineering Billings Current-year % profits due to total technology licensing Current-year % profits due to total royalty income First-Year Profits of new products First Two Years of Profits of new products First Three Years of Profits of new products First Four Years of Profits of new products First Five Years of Profits of new products **Intellectual Property Generated From Capacity Measures** Total patents filed/pending/awarded Average patents per development professional Total industry standards planned/pending/achieved Total licenses granted and/or acquired Total value of licenses granted and/or acquired Total grants received Total value of grant revenues received **Investment To Provide Capacity Measures** П R&D spending as a % of sales [Managed As A Single Number] [Managed as a single number across the organization.] R&D spending as a % of sales [Research spending managed separate from Development spending.] R&D spending as a % of sales [Process R&D spending managed separate from R&D spending.] Average development cost per project/product

Average capital cost per project/product



# PLEASE RETURN SURVEY BY AUGUST 12, 2002

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No cover page is necessary. Simply drop it in the fax machine. Your name and contact information is already on the first page of the questionnaire. Thank you.

#### IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS OR NEED CLARIFICATION

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# **!! THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING !!**

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