

Enterprise SOA Adoption to Double in Next Two Years

A new Evans Data survey shows that corporate developers plan to double their use of SOAs (service-oriented architectures) over the next two years.

According to a new Evans Data Corp. study, enterprise adoption of service-oriented architecture is expected to double over the next two years.

Evans Data's recently released Corporate Development Issues Survey showed that nearly one-fourth of the enterprise-level developers surveyed said they already have SOA environments in place, and another 28 percent plan to do so within the next 24 months. Meanwhile, adoption of ESBs (enterprise service buses), which is currently at 15 percent, will more than double during this same time, according to the survey results.

"The SOA software market is poised for healthy growth as large enterprises across all verticals are adopting SOA-based solutions for their business-related issues," said John Andrews, president of Evans Data, in Santa Cruz, Calif., in a statement. "Enterprise integration and the need for flexible business processes continue to drive the demand for SOA as a viable and popular option to achieving competent IT infrastructure."

Meanwhile, the Evans study of corporate-developer issues also looked at budgets, outsourcing and technologies such as grid computing. For instance, other findings from the survey of more than 300 in-house corporate developers showed that 60 percent of them said they will likely increase budget spending on Web security over the next year. Web services came in second on the list of budgeting priorities, followed by integration projects.

Moreover, respondents said among the top reasons for corporations to outsource include saving money (22 percent), in-house skill shortages (20 percent) and access to special expertise (17 percent). In addition, 10 percent of the respondents said they currently have grid-computing environments installed and based on responses, this number will triple to 30 percent within two years.

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