READY TO MOVE TO THE CLOUD?
There is a lot of pressure on federal government agencies to modernize their applications, migrate to the cloud, be more responsive to mission needs, and reduce costs, but many lack the basic information needed to take definitive action. As a result, federal government organizations find themselves at a crossroad, unable to make measurable progress in any direction.

THE CONSEQUENCE OF INACTION
Not taking the decisive steps to optimize application portfolios and leverage cloud technologies, perpetuates the negative consequences of antiquated, uncoordinated, and disparate IT systems. Organizations are unable to implement new mission capability and respond to new requirements in a timely manner. Known and unknown vulnerabilities expose systems and mission critical data to increased security risk. High sustainment costs siphon the limited funds that are desperately needed for innovation and new mission capability investments.

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RAPID: GETTING THE INFORMATION YOU NEED, QUICKLY
Some federal government agencies are not taking aggressive steps toward modernizing their applications, optimizing their portfolios or leveraging cloud, simply because they lack key insight and the information needed to make informed decisions with confidence. To resolve that issue, Accenture developed RAPID: Responsive Application Portfolio Inventory Diagnostics.

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RAPID can be used to evaluate one application, or an entire portfolio of applications. Its model generates heat maps, portfolio profiles and dashboards, which accelerate the dispositioning and decision-making process. RAPID's risk-based approach enhances the relevance of its findings, enabling recommendations that are both directional and actionable. Outputs are used to identify application modernization opportunities and develop an executable cloud migration roadmap.
HIGH PERFORMANCE. DELIVERED.

RAPID has been used to support several federal customers on their journey to the cloud. For a defense agency’s portfolio with 37 applications, RAPID helped us determine that 90% of the applications were good candidates for the cloud. Of those, 85% were ready for the cloud with minor remediation and 15% required major or significant remediation prior to migrating. 80% were considered low migration complexity while 20% were considered moderate to high migration complexity. This information was used to identify “quick wins” for immediate return on investment, and develop a risk-based roadmap to migrate approximately 80% of the Agency’s enterprise to the cloud, representing a significant reduction in managed infrastructure and an opportunity to convert IT labor hours to mission hours.

IS RAPID THE ANSWER FOR YOU?

If you lack all the information you need or question the accuracy, relevance, and completeness of the information you have, RAPID may be right for you. If you answer “no” to any of the questions below, Accenture can help get the answers you need to take action with confidence:

- Do you know all the applications in your inventory, including those small, home grown, localized and/or long forgotten applications that, when combined create a sizeable drain on already constrained IT resources?
- Do you have the transparency and visibility into each application environment needed to recognize optimization or cloud opportunities?
- Do you know what your “quick win” opportunities are—actions you can take now to have an immediate and positive impact on cost, schedule and/or performance?
- Do you know which of your applications or environments are good candidates for the cloud and which are not?
- Of the applications that are cloud candidates, do you know which are ready to migrate right now and which require modernization before they can migrate?
- Do you know what deployment model and Cloud Service Provider would be the best choice for you and your application?
- If you want to migrate an application or environment to the cloud, do you know how complex it is or where your migration risk will be?
- Are you aware of your application security posture and vulnerability concerns?

WHY ACCENTURE

Accenture is a recognized leader in cloud services and solutions. In a recent International Data Corporation (IDC) MarketScape Report: U.S. Systems Integrators Serving the Federal Government 2016 Vendor Assessment, Accenture Federal Services (AFS) received top overall positioning on both our strategies and capabilities related to our key competitors.

With RAPID, Accenture offers a right-sized, proven, and practical approach to provide federal government organizations with the insight and information needed to reduce their technical debt.

Fast. Our triage approach ensures we spend only the amount of time and effort needed to make sound, actionable decisions. Once data is collected, we can deliver results within minutes, versus days or weeks.

Reliable. Accenture is an objective, independent, vendor-agnostic service provider with no vested interest in technical solutions. Our methodologies and models reflect our experience and expert knowledge from over 15 years of practical experience in the federal and commercial markets.

Affordable. There are no hidden costs or funding tail; no licensing requirement or recurring sustainment costs. Accenture develops a disposition roadmap that is aligned to your constraints, dependencies, priorities, and budget profile.
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