WFED Federal CFO Mid-Year Survey



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1. I work at a: Response Response Percent Count Cabinet Agency (i.e. 46.2% 6 Transportation, VA, etc.) Large agency (GSA, EPA, etc.) 38.5% 5 Small agency 15.4% 2 answered question 13

2. I am a:		
	Response Percent	Response Count
CFO	30.8%	4
Deputy CFO	61.5%	8
Other senior level budget/finance manager	7.7%	1
	answered question	13
	skipped question	1

3. I am a:

	Response Percent	Response Count
Career employee	100.0%	13
Political appointee	0.0%	0
	answered question	13
	skipped question	1

4. Are you planning for sequestration?

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Response Count	Response Percent	
6	46.2%	Yes
4	30.8%	No
3	23.1%	Not sure
3	Comments	
13	answered question	
1	skipped question	

5. If yes, does your planning include: Response Response Percent Count Figuring out specific program 42.9% 3 cuts Figuring out personnel cuts, including buyouts, early retirements 0 0.0% or reduction in forces. 0 Figuring out acquisition cuts 0.0% Figuring out how to become more efficient in overall business 2 28.6% processes. 2 Other 28.6% Comments 2 7 answered question

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6. If no, when do you think y	ou will start planning?	
	Response Percent	Response Count
August/September	16.7%	
October/November	33.3%	
December	0.0%	
January	0.0%	
Never	0.0%	
Not sure	50.0%	
	Comments	
	answered question	
	answered question skipped question	
7. How worried are you abo	skipped question	
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7. How worried are you abo	skipped question out sequestration? Response	Respons Count
7. How worried are you abo Very worried Somewhat worried	skipped question out sequestration? Response Percent	Respons Count
Very worried	skipped question out sequestration? Response Percent 9.1%	Respons Count
Very worried Somewhat worried	Response Percent 9.1%	Respons Count

answered question

skipped question

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8. What possibility concerns you more? Response Response Percent Count Sequestration 3 27.3% Continuing resolutions for the 36.4% 4 first 5-6 months of 2013 **Spending cuts when Congress** 36.4% 4 eventually passes a budget I'm not concerned about any of 0.0% 0 these things Comments: 1 answered question 11 skipped question 3

9. Beyond sequestration and budget cuts, please rate your top priorities:

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Rating Average	Response Count
Finding efficiencies in your agency	54.5% (6)	9.1% (1)	27.3% (3)	9.1% (1)	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.91	11
Disposing of real property	9.1% (1)	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	27.3% (3)	27.3% (3)	36.4% (4)	5.64	11
Reducing and recovering improper payments	0.0%	9.1% (1)	0.0%	27.3% (3)	9.1% (1)	27.3% (3)	27.3% (3)	5.27	11
Improving how your agency buys goods and services	0.0%	9.1% (1)	18.2% (2)	36.4% (4)	9.1% (1)	9.1% (1)	18.2% (2)	4.45	11
Hiring and retaining financial management workforce	36.4% (4)	27.3% (3)	9.1% (1)	9.1% (1)	18.2% (2)	0.0%	0.0%	2.45	11
Training your financial management workforce	0.0%	45.5% (5)	36.4% (4)	9.1% (1)	0.0%	9.1% (1)	0.0%	2.91	11
Moving to the Internet Payment Portal and other financial shared services	0.0%	0.0%	9.1% (1)	9.1%	36.4% (4)	27.3% (3)	18.2% (2)	5.36	11
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							skipped	question	3

10	How	effective	are T	echSta	t sessions?
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	Respor Perce		Response Count
Very effective	18.	2%	2
Somewhat effective	18.	2%	2
Minimally effective	9.	1%	1
Not effective	9.	1%	1
Not sure	45.	5%	5

Comments:

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answered question 11
skipped question 3

11. Do you find participating or having your staff participate in TechStat sessions beneficial?

	Respons Percen	
Yes	36.4	% 4
Sometimes	9.1	% 1
No	18.2	% 2
Not sure	36.4	% 4
	Commen	ts 0
	answered question	n 11
	skipped questic	n 3

12. How successful is your agency in using data to make better financial decisions?

	Respons Percent	-
Very successful	45.5	% 5
Somewhat successful	45.5	% 5
Minimally successful	0.09	% 0
Not successful	9.19	6 1
	Comments): 1

answered question	11
skipped question	3

13. When it comes to the Government Performance and Results Modernization Act, my agency is:

	Response Percent	Response Count
Meeting the full spirit and intent of the law	45.5%	5
Making slow and steady progress	36.4%	4
Having difficulty because of budget constraints	9.1%	1
Not even trying	9.1%	1
	Comments:	0
	answered question	11
	skipped question	3

14. Has OMB's shared services strategy released in May changed your thinking about moving to a financial management shared services provider?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	18.2%	2
No	72.7%	8
Maybe	0.0%	0
Not sure	9.1%	1
	Comments:	2

answered question	11
skipped question	3

15. Other comments about the state of federal financial management:

Response
Count

2

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tion 12	skipped question

Page 1, Q4. Are you planning for sequestration?		
1	Discussions are on-going, but no explicit plans are being made.	Aug 13, 2012 1:51 PM
2	At a very high level.	Aug 3, 2012 1:51 PM
3	Have not received enough information.	Jul 27, 2012 4:52 PM

Page 2, Q1. If yes, does your planning include:		
1	All of the items mentioned above are being reviewed and addressed in our planning.	Aug 13, 2012 11:32 AM
2	Our preliminary estimate is that the sequestration will have significant programmatic impacts, but we don't believe it will require personnel cuts or furloughs. However, it is still unclear how OMB will administer the cuts to agencies.	Aug 11, 2012 10:18 AM

Page 3	, Q1. If no, when do you think you will start planning?	
1	When we have a clearer idea of how the sequester may be implemented.	Aug 13, 2012 1:52 PM

I	Page 4,	Q1. How worried are you about sequestration?	
	1	Uncertainty is the current challenge.	Aug 11, 2012 10:24 AM
	2	I operate at a Fee-based Agency. Theoretically, sequestration should not impact our Agency.	Jul 27, 2012 5:08 PM

Page 4,	, Q2. What possibility concerns you more?	
1	Uncertainty is greatest concern.	Aug 11, 2012 10:24 AM

Page 4,	Q4. How effective are TechStat sessions?	
1	Missed our agency's first meeting.	Aug 13, 2012 1:55 PM

Page 4, Q4. How effective	are TechStat sessions?
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We are still in the process of defining the best way to perform the TECHSTAT.

Aug 11, 2012 10:24 AM

Page 4, Q6. How successful is your agency in using data to make better financial decisions?

Need to improve our ability to integrate financial and programmatic performance to achieve full benefit.

Aug 11, 2012 10:24 AM

Page 4, Q8. Has OMB's shared services strategy released in May changed your thinking about moving to a financial management shared services provider?

manon	ar management shared services provider.	
1	Have been supported of the idea for years.	Aug 13, 2012 1:55 PM
2	We have been using a SSP for financial management systems for several years.	Aug 11, 2012 10:24 AM

Page 4, Q9. Other comments about the state of federal financial management:		
1	Our jobs would be much easier (i.e., efficient) if Congress did its job and passed a balanced budget on time.	Aug 6, 2012 10:15 AM
2	Many changes but progress is being made.	Jul 27, 2012 5:01 PM