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# **INSIGHTS REPORT** How much do you use your Qlik solution?

### INTRODUCTION

It's in the hands of the employees that a BI solution becomes more than a tool, and information transforms into insight. An unused tool is just another cost, but by increasing BI usage and empowering the users, companies can and will get more value from BI. Therefore, **Climber conducted a customer survey** to map out and see which factors impact on Qlik usage. The survey was sent to our BI contact at customers in the UK, the Netherlands, Finland and Sweden. In this report you will find a summary of the results and the main insights.

To all of you who took the time to complete the survey, many thanks. We highly appreciate your participation.

### **QUESTIONS?**

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# 29% answered that lack of training is the main barrier

# 63% consider Qlik to be a business-critical solution

# 51% says that increased functionality would increase Qlik deployment



# **1.** Overview of responding companies



### INDUSTRY

17 % of the companies operate inFinancial Services, 15 % in Retail,12 % in Manufacturing and 12 % in Transport.

FINANCIAL SERVICES	MANUFACTURING	Π	HEALTHCARE	MEDIA
RETAIL	TRANSPORT	CONSUMER	SECTOR	ENERGY
		PRODUCTS		HOSPITALITY
			CONSTRUC- TION	TELECOM.

#### **RESPONDENT PERSONAS**

- **BI Decision-maker**: CEO, CFO, Director of Supply Chain, Director of Operations, Head of Controlling etc.
- **BI Manager:** Business Intelligence Manager, Head of BI, Head of Data & Analytics, Business Development Manager IT etc.

• 15 % from Finland

- **BI Developer:** Solution Architect, System Developer, Consultant, Data Scientist, System Specialist etc.
- **BI User:** Business Controller, Data Analyst, Financial Controller, Business Developer, Analyst etc.

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# **3. A business-critical solution?**

#### **BUSINESS-CRITICAL OR BUSINESS-CRITICAL BY COUNTRY** COMPLEMENTARY SOLUTION? • 67 % of the Finnish companies said that, to them Qlik 60 % is a business-critical solution. To 63 % of the companies, Qlik is a business-• In the Netherlands 38 % answered that Qlik is a businesscritical solution. 7 % commented that Qlik is a BI solution, both a complementary and a critical solution, critical solution and 38 % that it is a complementary or that it's a complementary solution today but on solution. 25 % answered "Other" and described it as a 40 % BI solution or that it is a complementary solution that is its way becoming a business-critical solution. starting to shift towards a business-critical solution. • To 73 % of the Swedish companies Qlik is a business-critical solution. 5 % answered that Qlik is 20 % both a complementary and a business-critical solution. • In the UK, 60 % see Qlik as a business-critical solution. 0% OTHER 7 % 100 % NO **BUSINESS-CRITICAL BY** 29 % NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES 80 % Olik is most business-critical to companies with 101–500 YES employees and least business-63 % 60 % critical to smaller companies with up to 50 employees. 40 % 20 % 0%



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# **4. Business Areas**

SALES		PRODUCTION		LOGISTICS		MARKETING	
FINANCE		ΙT	SALES	HR	PROCU	REMENT CE	OTHER
	<ul> <li><b>TOP 5 BUSINESS AREAS USING QLIK</b></li> <li>1. Sales 78 %</li> <li>2. Finance 73 %</li> <li>3. Production 44 %</li> <li>4. IT 39 %</li> <li>5. Warehousing &amp; Logistics 39 %</li> <li>Qlik is least used within Sourcing &amp; Procurement, HR and Marketing.</li> </ul>				MARK	ETING	

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### TOP 5 BUSINESS AREAS THAT WOULD BENEFIT MOST FROM INCREASED USAGE OF QLIK GOING FORWARD

- 1. Sales 61 %
- 2. Finance 41 %
- 3. Marketing 34 %
- 4. Production 29 %
- 5. Warehousing & Logistics 27 %

Marketing has the largest potential compared to how it's being used today. IT and Procurement & Sourcing are the business areas with lowest potential.

PRODUCTION	HR	IT	
	PROCUREMENT		OTHER -

# **5.** Barriers



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LACK OF TRAINING LACK OF INTEREST LACK CERTAIN FUNCTIONS NOT ENOUGH LICENSES OTHER TOOLS NO BARRIERS

#### OTHER

#### BARRIERS BY PERSONA

The decision-makers consider the costs to be the main barrier, compared to the developers who see training and lack of interest as the main barriers. According to the users the Qlik solution lacks functions and the BI Managers see a need of more licenses.

26%	19 % 13 %	18%
26 %	31 %	
11 % 5 % 16 %	13 %	45%
11% 5% BI DEVELOPER	13 % 6 % BI USER	18 % BI MANAGER

	SALES	FINANCE	LOGISTICS	PRODUCTION	HR	IT	MARKETING	PROCUREMENT
LACK OF TRAINING	27%	20%	12%	17%	12%	12%	12%	7%
LACK CERTAIN FUNCTIONS	22%	22%	17%	12%	10%	10%	10%	7%
OTHER TOOLS	22%	20%	12%	5%	10%	10%	10%	10%
OTHER	22%	22%	12%	12%	5%	7%	2%	5%
NOT ENOUGH LICENSES	15%	17%	2%	10%	7%	12%	5%	5%
LACK OF INTEREST	17%	12%	7%	12%	5%	10%	12%	2%
NO BARRIERS	15%	12%	7%	10%	5%	5%	7%	7%
NOT USER FRIENDLY	7%	5%	5%	2%	2%	2%	5%	5%
DIFFICULT TO ACCESS	7%	7%	5%	2%	5%	2%	5%	2%

#### BARRIERS BY BUSINESS AREA

The barriers vary between the different business areas. Overall *user-friendliness* including difficulty to access are not considered to be barriers of wider deployment.

**Sales:** 27 % answered *lack of training* followed by *lack of certain functions* as the main barriers. They also use *other tools* and the companies commented that costs and bad infrastructure were two barriers.

**Finance:** 22 % answered lack of certain functions and 22 % Other and commented that the mindset among the users – a fixed use of Excel - and infrastructure are two barriers.

**Logistics:** The majority of the companies, 17 %, answered *lack of certain functions*.

Lack of training is the main barrier both within production (17 %), HR (12 %) and Marketing (12 %). The marketeers also said that *lack of interest* (12 %) is one of the barriers.

**IT:** The only business area that consider *not enough licenses* as the main barrier.

	11%	13%	
OTHER			
NO BARRIERS	11%	13%	
OTHER TOOLS		12.10	
NOT ENOUGH LICENSES			
LACK CERTAIN FUNCTIONS	22%	13 %	
LACK OF INTEREST			
LACK OF TRAINING		13%	
		_	
	22 %		
		25%	
	11%		
	22 %	25%	
	1-50	51-100	

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#### BARRIERS BY COMPANY SIZE

Larger companies see barriers that are not directly related to the Qlik solution itself, such as *lack of licenses*, costs and *IT infrastructure*. Whilst mid-size companies see a need for more *training* and *lack of interest*. The smallest companies are *lacking licenses* and *functionality*.

13%	20%
13 %	0.11
	8 %
13 %	
4 %	24 %
17%	
47.64	20%
17%	
	16%
25%	
2.3 %	4 %
	8%
101-500	>500

### BARRIERS BY COUNTRY

There are also some differences in challenges between the countries. In the UK, *not enough licenses* is the main barrier (33 %) but the smallest barrier in the Netherlands (9 %), they instead see a need of *more functions* within the solution. *Training* is needed in Sweden (20 %) and the UK (22 %), whilst Finland perceive barriers equivalent and commented that costs and authorizations also impede wider deployment of Qlik.

LACK OF TRAINING LACK OF INTEREST LACK CERTAIN FUNCTIONS	14%	27 %	20%	22 %
NOT USER FRIENDLY         DIFFICULT TO ACCESS         NOT ENOUGH LICENSES	14%	9%	13 %	11%
OTHER TOOLS NO BARRIERS	14%	9 %	16 %	11%
OTHER	14%	18%	7 %	
	14%		<b>4 %</b> 9 %	33%
		18%	11 %	
	29%	18%	9 %	11%
		10 %	11 %	11%
	FINLAND	NETHERLANDS	SWEDEN	UK

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# 6. Enablers



		27%	24%	
ENABLERS BY COUNTRY In the UK embedded solutions and the possibility to use Qlik on mobile devices would increase deployment. Improved design is only a key enabler in Sweden along with increased functionality. Training is seen as an enabler in the Netherlands and Finland, where better data quality also would increase deployment.	OTHERS* TRAINING INCREASED FUNCTIONALITY BETTER DATA QUALITY IMPROVED DESIGN EMBEDDED	7% 7% 13% 7% 20%	19% 14% 10% 5%	
	MOBILE USAGE	20%	19%	
	*Others: A combination of easier to use, improved navigation, offline usage, tracking usage and "other".	UK	10% NETHERLANDS	

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### THE TOP 5 MAIN ENABLERS THAT WOULD INCREASE DEPLOYMENT OF QLIK WITHIN THE ORGANISATION

The responding companies were asked to give multiple answers.

13%	
14%	30%
23 %	20%
15%	10%
17%	20%
10%	10%
8%	10%
SWEDEN	FINLAND



### IN TERMS OF NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES

Overall, better data quality and increased functionality would increase Qlik deployment in all organisations regardless of their size. Training is especially important to companies with less than 500 employees whilst lower costs for licenses and implementation is for the largest companies.

**BI DECISION-MAKER** 

17%

7%

10%

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#### ENABLERS BY PERSONA

The BI users want embedded solutions (22 %) and increased functionality (22 %) but are ok with the data quality, which is seen as one of the key enablers to the BI Decision-makers (17%) and the BI Developers (19 %).

28%	14%	13%
	10%	17%
16%	19%	22%
13%	10%	
_	14%	9%
19%	14%	13%
13%		228
	19%	22%
9%		4 %
DEVELOPER	BI MANAGER	BI USER

# 7. Correlation between main barriers and key enablers that would increase deployment of Qlik

	BETTER DATA QUALITY	EASIER TO USE	EMBEDDED	IMPROVED DESIGN	IMPROVED NAVIGATION	INCREASED FUNCTIONALITY	MOBILE USAGE	OFFLINE USAGE	OTHER
LACK OF TRAINING	• 15%	5%	10%	12%	7%	17%	7%	2%	2%
LACK CERTAIN FUNCTIONS	10%	5%	15%	• 17%	10%	22%	12%	5%	2%
OTHER TOOLS	5%	7%	• 12%	10%	10%	15%	10%	7%	2%
OTHER	12%	5%	5%	12%	5%	15%	7%	7%	10%
NOT ENOUGH LICENSES	10%	2	10%	7%	2%	10%	10%	5%	2%
LACK OF INTEREST	• 12%	7%	5%	5%	5%	12%	5%	2%	2%
NO BARRIERS	10%	2%	7%	5%	-	10%	2%	-	
NOT USER-FRIENDLY	5%	2%	5%	7%	5%	7%	5%	2%	2%
DIFFICULT TO ACCESS	2%	7%	5%	5%	7%	7%	2%	2%	5%
<ol> <li>Functionality: Those who answered that <i>lack of functions</i> is a main barrier also saw <i>improved design</i> as an enabler.</li> <li>Training as a barrier is connected to the need of <i>better data quality</i> and increased <i>functionality</i>.</li> <li>Embedded solutions are an enabler to the ones who consider other tools to be a barrier to further deployment.</li> <li>Lack of interest within the organization is correlated with the need of better <i>data quality</i>.</li> </ol>									

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