

Softchoice Workload Analyzer

Plotting the “right” application path

Cloud adoption is growing faster than any other technology. But, is cloud right for you? Clients struggle to understand the readiness of their applications for the new cloud world and the best path forward. The number of unknown and potential dependencies within application portfolios can be overwhelming, making choosing the right path difficult.

Softchoice designed the **Workload Analyzer** to help clients evaluate applications prior to a data center migration project or selecting a target location such as cloud. The Analyzer service leads to an actionable migration strategy related to existing on-premise applications isolating dependencies, durability/recovery requirements and other elements. Softchoice accelerates the application evaluation allowing clients to rapidly identify application portability taking multiple options into consideration linking costs, potential risks and business benefits to a recommended action plan.

Phase	Client Benefits
Inventory	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accurately collect and gain insight into the existing environment spanning software, networking resources and applications/host dependencies
Application Review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mitigate risks by reviewing compatibility and evaluating migration paths at the application level
Interviews & Data Gathering	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collection of qualitative inputs through interviews and additional data gathering techniques to shape a recommendation such as Durability and Recovery Time Objectives (RTO)
Analysis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Simplify distributed and complex information into a consumable format by an expert-led evaluation
Discovery Report and Findings Presentation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify hidden risks into tangible set of remediation steps Consolidate and synthesize input to determine the optimal migration path(s) Collaborative presentation includes key findings, recommended migration tools and isolates risks associated with each proposed approach

Who should be involved

Softchoice recommends clients assemble a cross functional IT & facilities team with a senior IT leader sponsor that provides alignment to the issues, business drivers and guides prioritization.

Why the Softchoice Workload Analyzer works

Based on client feedback and real-world deployment findings, Softchoice created the Workload Analyzer to fast track your evaluation of the application environment and evaluation of cloud options. Softchoice has successfully completed over 5,000 projects throughout North America helping clients discover, plan, deploy, adopt and operate solutions. Using similar delivery best practices, the Workload Analyzer improves returns and lowers risk through effective planning to align technology with desired business outcomes.

Why Softchoice for Workload Analysis?

- Cross-discipline expertise spanning leading vendors in data center, hybrid cloud and public cloud scenarios
- Architects & engineers carry over 10 years average tenure
- Proven IaaS planning methodology to connect on-premise data center infrastructure
- Day-to-day operations for over 400 core & hybrid infrastructures



Client Value Analysis: Softchoice’s Hybrid IT & Data Center Services

Clients rate Softchoice Services’ capabilities in Azure, IaaS, SaaS, virtualization, storage implementation or data center/converged infrastructure as extremely valuable when compared to alternatives in the following categories:

- ✓ End-to-end Solution Capability
- ✓ Expertise & Knowledge Transfer
- ✓ Delivery Methodology
- ✓ Personalized Service Delivery
- ✓ Resource Capability

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