

# MULTI-CLOUD MADNESS:

## Public Sector Perspectives

MeriTalk surveyed 200 Federal and state/local (SLG) government IT leaders in December 2022 to explore multi-cloud game plans across the public sector.



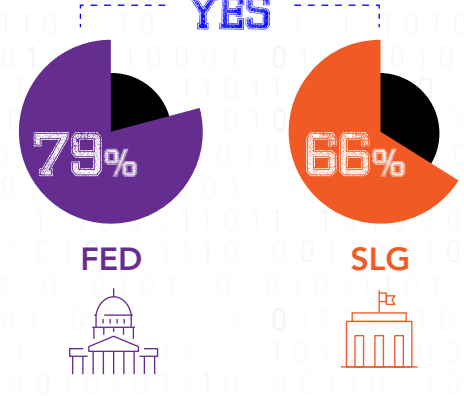
### GAME ON

**92%** and **84%**  
of Fed and SLG

IT decision-makers say **multi-cloud environments** will be the foundation of modern government IT

Still, **four out of five** say managing multi-cloud will be a **top challenge** over the next five years (**82% Fed; 79% SLG**)

Is your **cloud portfolio** growing faster than you can handle?



### SPLIT STRATEGIES

Organizations are taking a variety of approaches to help manage multi-cloud ecosystems.

#### TOP MANAGEMENT PRACTICES?

##### FEDS

Uniform service-level agreements **46%**

Monitoring analytics for areas of improvement **46%**

##### SLG

Workforce training **46%**

Centralizing IT governance **45%**



Federal leaders are also more likely to say they "always" approach new tech projects with a **cloud-first attitude** (**63% vs 46%**)

### DEFENSIVE WEAKNESSES

As cloud portfolios expand, where are organizations struggling?

##### FEDS

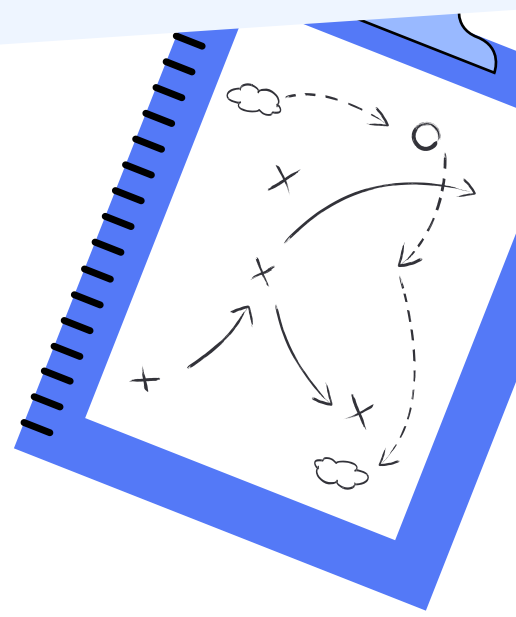


- 1 Data management
- 2 Security concerns
- 3 Architectural complexity

##### SLG



- 1 Security concerns
- 2 Lack of skills/expertise
- 3 Difficulty managing services across environments



Feds are **2x** as likely to struggle with reduced visibility (**27% to 13%**)

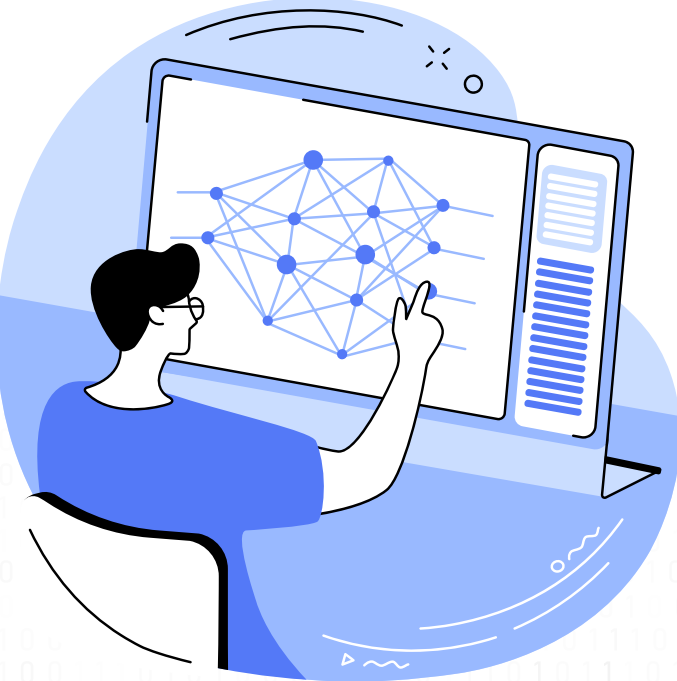
SLG orgs are **significantly** more likely to struggle with



**Security concerns** (48% vs 32%) and



**Lack of skills** (32% vs 19%)



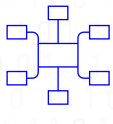
### PROMISING FUTURES

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IT leaders are **optimistic** about the future of government cloud

Most likely addition to cloud ecosystems over the next two years?

#### #1 RESPONSE:



Cloud-based enterprise management tools (**71% Feds; 56% SLG**)

Over the next two years, both sectors will also work to improve:



**1** Staff education (**40% Feds; 43% SLG**)



**2** Data access and transfer capabilities (**38%; 40%**)



**3** Expanding multi-cloud management capabilities (**35%; 40%**)



Learn more about Federal agencies' multi-cloud management strategies and priorities in *Connecting the Clouds: 2023 Federal IaaS, PaaS, and SaaS Forecast*:

[www.meritalk.com/study/2023-federal-iaas-paas-saas-forecast](http://www.meritalk.com/study/2023-federal-iaas-paas-saas-forecast)