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Peer insights:

Microsoft

identity modernization Microsoft identity modernization has become a top To help you on your journey to Entra ID, we asked priority for IT leaders at many organizations today. our migration customers — your IT peers — for While identity modernization offers multiple benefits, their top insights. 76% of Quest migration customers tell us their

However, shifting from Active Directory (AD) to Entra ID brings a wide range of security, cyber resilience, and compliance challenges. Properly preparing for the future and laying a foundation for AI requires a comprehensive strategy.

ultimate goal is improved security.1

mean to you? "Identity plays a crucial role in the organizations; it's a heart of the organization and plays as a gatekeeper. without a strong identity model in this cloud &

What does "identity

modernization"

Al era is asking for trouble." Senior Principal Architect, Large Enterprise Industrials Company²

"To me, modernization means evolving technology, processes,

76% of Quest migration customers say their ultimate goal for identity modernization is "Improved security posture."3

"To me, identity modernization

identity management to a more

approach. It's about leveraging

cloud-native, zero-trust, and

means moving beyond traditional

adaptive, secure, and user-friendly

— Senior M365 Migration Engineer, Large Enterprise Financials Company⁴

and culture to meet current and

future business needs. It's not just

about rethinking how systems are

about upgrading software — it's

built, managed, and used."

Al-driven capabilities to provide seamless access while strengthening security, improving governance, and enabling digital transformation." — Group IT Architect, Large Enterprise Financials Company⁵

Hybrid is the reality.

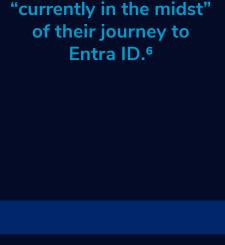
legacy infrastructure and cloud-first goals must coexist. Hybrid identity is

on-premises Active Directory with

Entra ID. This reflects the reality that

Most organizations are still operating in hybrid identity environments that combine

often a steppingstone toward full modernization; 6% of our migration customers are currently in the midst of moving to Entra ID. Overall, 4% of Quest users expect AD to remain for the long term, 33% plan to eliminate it, and 26% are still unsure. Do you foresee a future where



40%

of Quest migration customers are

33% Yes, we plan to eliminate AD entirely 26%

Active Directory is no longer part

of your identity infrastructure?7

of Quest migration customers

say "Moving Microsoft devices

to Entra ID is a significant step

toward identity modernization."8

No, we expect AD to remain in our environment

Not sure

Migrating devices matters. Organizations are increasingly

moving employee devices from older

systems to Entra ID. This shift helps reduce reliance on outdated infra-

structure and makes it easier to protect against cyber threats. By joining

devices directly to Entra ID, compa-

management, and improve security

nies gain better control, simplify

across their environment. It also

allows them to retire old tools and policies, replacing them with more streamlined, cloud-based solutions. This move is often the first step in a broader strategy to modernize IT, improve user experience, and prepare

Security is a primary driver for identity modernization. Reducing the attack surface is a primary motivator for identity

of Quest migration customers

say"Consolidating multiple

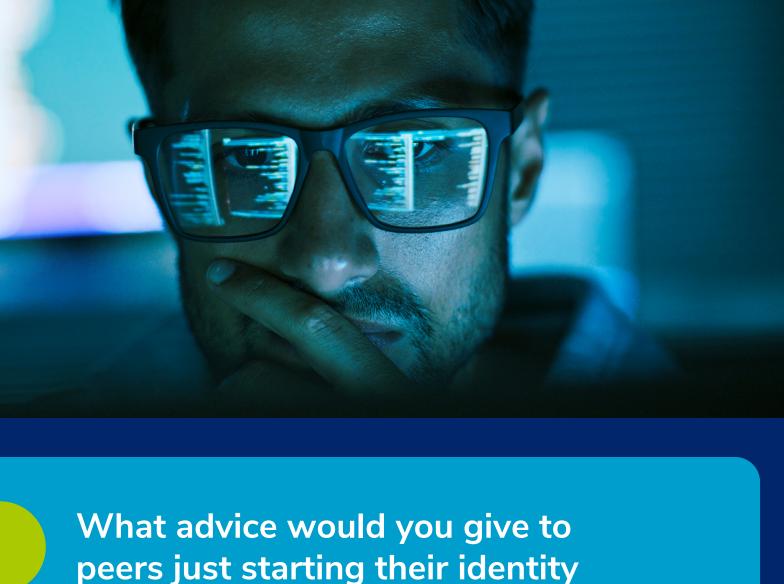
Active Directory domains is a

significant step toward identity modernization."9

Active Directory environments plays a major role in that effort. Many organizations are working to simplify complex AD structures — often built over years of mergers and acquisitions — to eliminate outdated configurations, excessive permissions, and legacy protocols.

modernization, and consolidating

Security is the leading driver behind these changes, with customers focused on minimizing dependencies, implementing conditional access policies, and adopting passwordless solutions. Securing high-value assets, improving governance, and reducing exposure to threats are essential steps. innovations like AI and advanced data protection.



"Take your time and understand that identity modernization is a strategic journey. Begin by assessing your current environment and dependencies,

organization."

Enterprise Industrials Company¹¹

quickly, and build momentum. Always align your approach with long-term goals, and adopt a hybrid model design with the end-user experience that supports both legacy and cloud in mind, since adoption is as critical as systems. Avoid rushing the process and security." focus on building a secure and scalable foundation that evolves with your — Technical Consultant, Medium **Enterprise Information Technology** Company¹² SOCOM Service Owner, Large

modernization journey?

ing, Zero Trust, cloud/SaaS first.)"

"Make this strategic, bake it into the business and IT strategies."

IT Solution Architect, Small Business Industrials Company¹⁰

Find/use an experienced partner. Start small and focus on blending security and user experience/requirements (Remote/flexible work-

infrastructure Many organizations are untangling years of legacy application dependencies in order to create a more secure and manageable identity foundation. As legacy workloads are retired, replatformed, or migrated to the cloud, it is essential to secure

Modernizing legacy

— they're designed to protect every

access point across hybrid and

multi-cloud environments.

of Quest migration customers say "Gaining visibility into on-prem server applications high-value assets, eliminate outdated to make informed migration protocols, and improve governance. decisions is a significant Modern identity platforms are no step toward identity longer just about managing access to modernization."13 necessary applications and services

"Focus on getting the basics right first,

strong authentication. Start small with

directory cleanup, governance, and

high-impact use cases, prove value

The greatest benefit we'll realize

goal is...

"The greatest benefit we'll realize

once we achieve our Entra ID goal is streamlined and secure access

for all users. We'll reduce reliance

on legacy systems, minimizing

operational complexity and risk. Enhanced security features like

multi-factor authentication will

seamless experience with single

whether on-prem or in the cloud.

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better protect our data and resources. Users will enjoy a

sign-on across applications,

across our digital ecosystem."

once we achieve our Entra ID

CTO, Hospitality and Restaurant Industry¹⁴

"A unified, secure, and scalable identity platform that simplifies

access management, strengthens our security posture, and supports our hybrid and cloud transformation initiatives. It will also enhance user experience through seamless

authentication and enable better governance and compliance

"We are global company having employees and applications all

over the world, so an Entra ID

— CIO, Freight Transportation

solution would enable fast

scalability and a zero-trust philosophy implementation."

Industry¹⁶

Industry¹⁵

34,585

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202,75

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grows."

Ultimately, this positions us for greater agility, scalability, and compliance as our organization — Manager, Professional Services

Quest supports you on your identity modernization journey with solutions purpose-built to reduce risk, simplify consolidation, and strengthen security. We offer three Microsoft identity modernization suites — Base, Plus, and Premium — that deliver

scenarios. Quest's N **Capability** AD, Entra I

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to Entra ID.

team to learn more and discuss

which suite best fits your journey

increasingly robust capabilities to fit different modernization

Quest's Microsoft identity

modernization solutions

Quest's Microsoft identity modernization suites			
Capability	Base	Plus	Premiun
AD, Entra ID, device migration	✓	✓	
Pre-migration & security assessment (w/AD Modernization Report Pack)	✓	✓	ı
Backup & recovery	✓	✓	ı
Audit & compliance		✓	ı
GPO management & protection		✓	ı

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Cloud-native audit & compliance

Tier 0 discovery and protection

Shields Up attack disruption

Al-powered ITDR for AD & Entra ID

Legacy Application Migration Assessment

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