

threats and relieve overstressed IT teams. New research from CIO and Comcast Business provides insights into what's driving secure access service edge (SASE) adoption and how IT leaders are navigating implementation. According to the study, SASE delivers on security promises while exceeding expectations

Organizations must converge their network and security to keep pace with evolving

in terms of operational efficiency, user experience, and remote work connectivity - critical benefits for IT teams hampered by talent shortages and the persistence of remote work.

Progress of Networking and Cybersecurity Convergence: Process and Team Structures

Organizations have begun to converge network and security, but the journey will take some time.

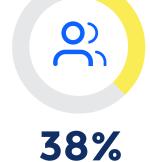




Developing

comprehensive

security policies



Building

cross-functional

teams



Implementing

security controls



Conducting



31%





38%

Fostering a culture of security

collaboration

Enabling



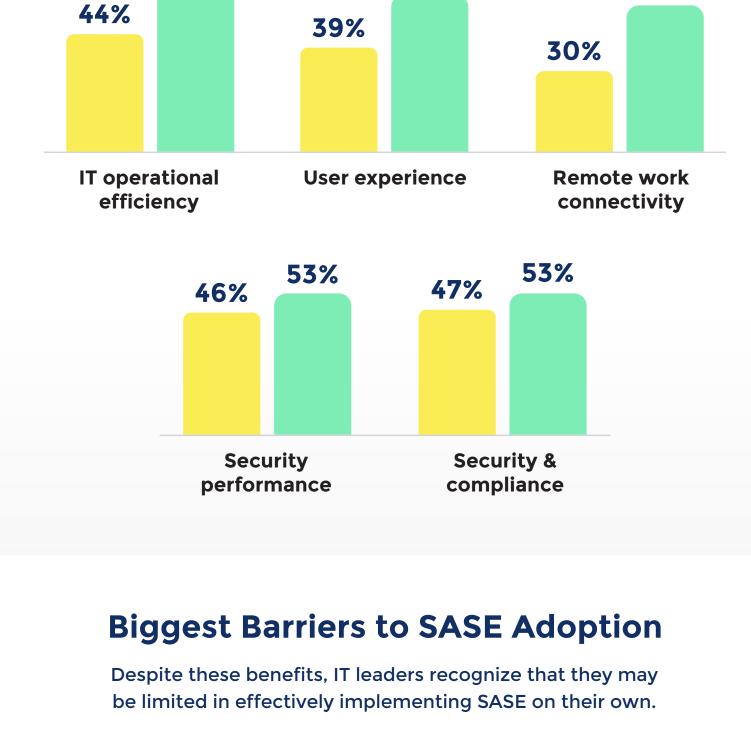




SASE offers an accelerated path forward – and organizations increasingly know it. Adoption used to be driven largely by improved security performance. But according to the new study, SASE is also exceeding

Anticipated vs. Realized SASE Benefits

expectations in several business-critical areas related to the network. 70% 59% 55%



48%

41%

41%

Training

Staffing

Combining operations

37% **Tool consolidation**

30% **Solution integration** The Unparalleled Value of **Managed Service Providers**

partner with a managed service provider for SASE implementation.

78%

of organizations

including solutions that meet the key tenets of the SASE model.

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