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# Improve ROI Through Smarter Research

Based on surveys with more than 400 technology professionals





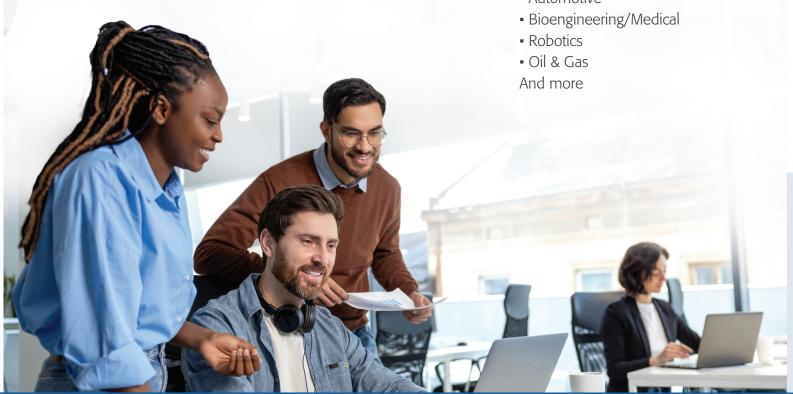
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Anything that saves an engineer time saves the company money. The surveys summarized in this document reveal that IEEE *Xplore* does exactly that.

IEEE conducted surveys with more than 400 professionals across various technology industries. We found that organizations receive measurable returns on their investment when their researchers use the IEEE *Xplore* Digital Library.

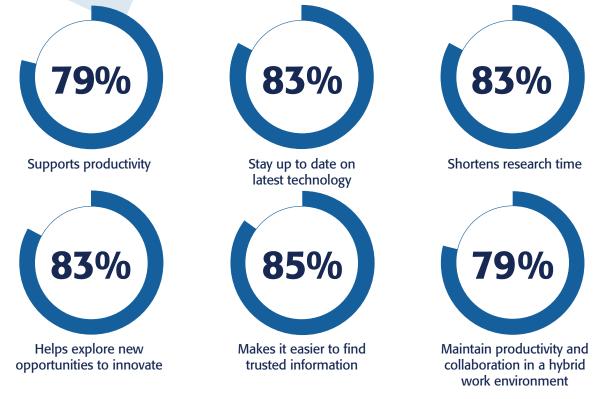
#### **Industries Represented** in this Survey

- Al/Machine Learning
- Semiconductor
- Communications
- Electronics
- Aerospace & Defense
- Computer Software/ Hardware
- Engineering Services
- Power/Energy/Utility
- Industrial Manufacturing
- Automotive



### What are some of the *reasons and* business advantages for using IEEE *Xplore*?

% of Respondents



Collectively, the results reveal the main business advantage of using IEEE *Xplore* is that it sets the stage for a cycle of ongoing, interrelated process improvements and product innovations.

#### **Benefits** from using IEEE Xplore



Encourages
Innovative
Thinking



Increases **Daily Productivity** 



Get Up to Speed Quickly on a Project



Supports More **Efficient Problem Solving** 



Avoid
Reinventing
the wheel



#### **Trust**

Trust is earned by reliable results. Trust comes from the certainty that you can rely on the engineer, the process, and the up-to-date research content. Technical content found on the open Internet is often not reliable or trustworthy.

The majority of the survey respondents state that they could not find research articles anywhere that equal the quality of the content in IEEE *Xplore*.



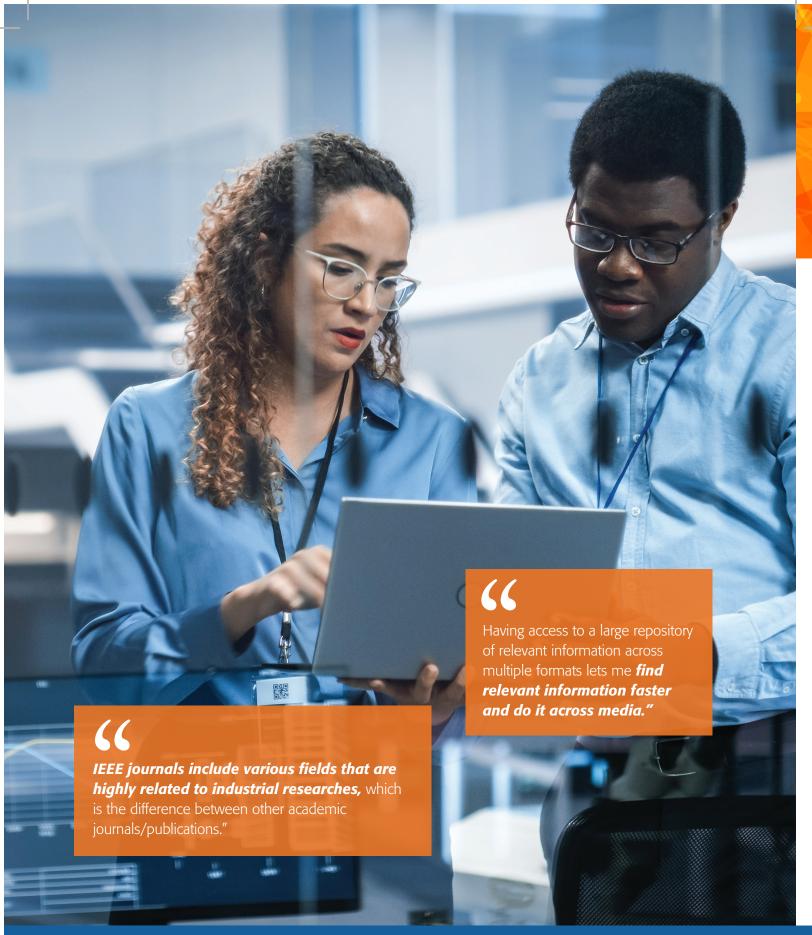
99% will recommend keeping an IEEE Xplore subscription to their manager or supervisor



97% agree their job performance and company performance will benefit from continued access to IEEE Xplore







#### **Time**

# What happens to the bottom line each day an engineer has to work through a problem without the right resources?

Time plays a role in productivity. The faster you can complete your research, development, testing, and evaluation—and get your products to market—the higher your ROI will be.

Professionals who agreed to take the survey were asked how much time it would take to find a relevant article with or without IEEE *Xplore*.



**74%** found a research article in *30 minutes or less* 



**83%** responded that with access to *IEEE Xplore*, they can find the information they need faster and shorten their research time.



**85%** responded it would be **more difficult and time consuming to find trusted information without IEEE Xplore.** 





# Cost

Cost associated with time spent on research purposes is very often underestimated in early project planning. Less time spent sorting through unhelpful content during the research phase means better ROI.



Engineers spend **8.2 hours\*** per week searching for and accessing engineering information—this equals about **53 working days** per year



If the average engineer's yearly income is US\$175,000\*\*, approximately US\$35,673 per year goes toward time spent on research



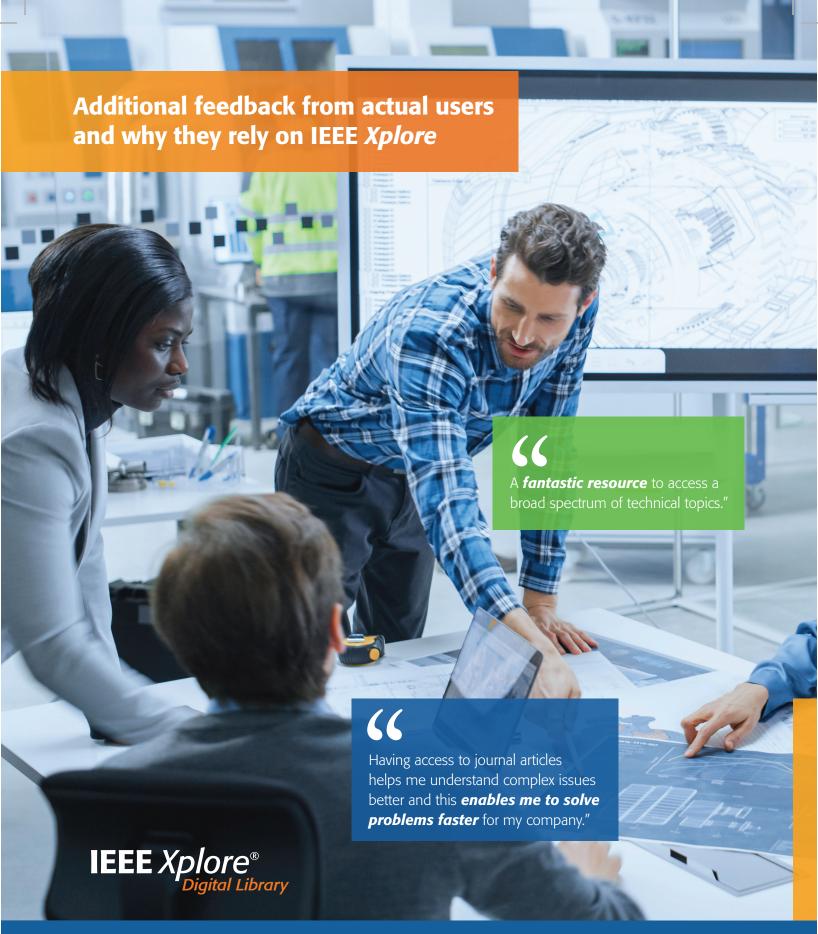
In fact, half of all respondents said that access to IEEE *Xplore* reduces their research time by 50% or even more. Reducing that time by half by employing precise research tools would see *savings* of approximately US\$17,836 per year, per employee.

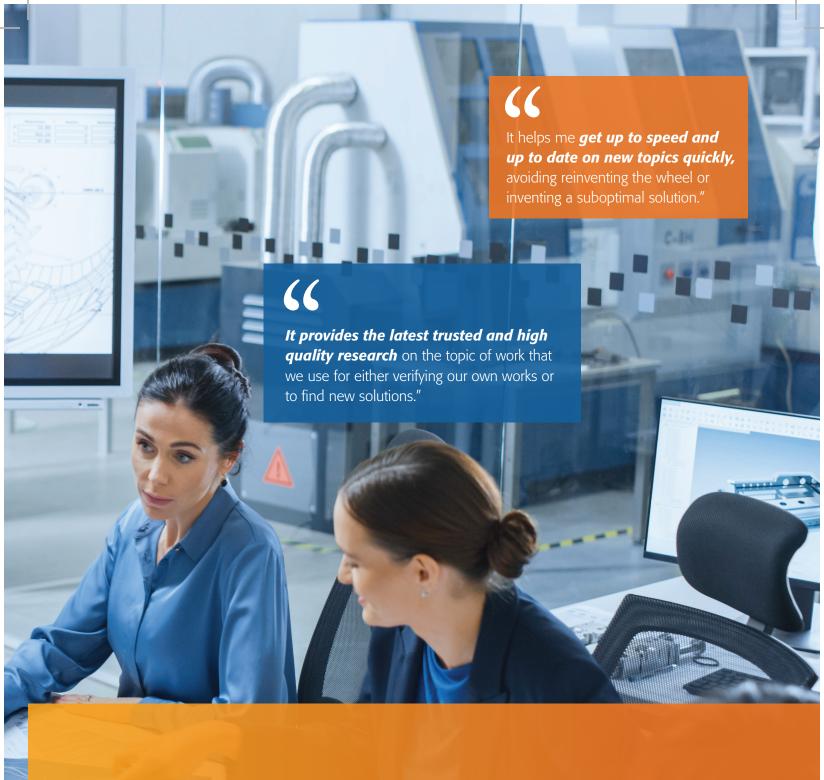


<sup>\*</sup> APQC KM Makes Knowledge Workers More Productive and Less Stressed Out https://www.apqc.org/blog/km-makes-knowledge-workers-more-productive-and-less-stressed-out

<sup>\*\*</sup> IEEE-USA Salary Survey 2024







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