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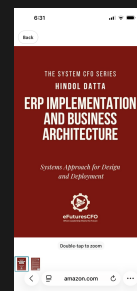
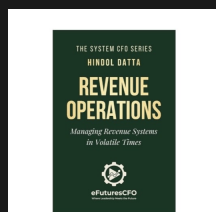
PILLAR 2: CASH & CAPITAL MANAGEMENT | TOOLKIT #41 OF 37

# THE REVENUE QUALITY AND CONCENTRATION RISK

*Evaluating the Durability, Diversity,  
and Defensibility of Your Revenue Base*

20-Question Diagnostic | 5-Page Assessment

Score Your Organization 1-5 Across Four Dimensions  
Identify Gaps and Build Your Action Plan



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QUESTIONS 1-5

# Section A: Revenue Composition and Recurring Revenue Quality

What Percentage of Your Revenue Can You Count on Next Year — Without Selling Anything New?

Revenue quality is as important as revenue quantity. A dollar of recurring, contracted, high-margin revenue from a diversified customer base is worth far more than a dollar of one-time, project-based, low-margin revenue from a single customer. The System CFO decomposes revenue into its quality components — recurring vs. non-recurring, contracted vs. at-risk, organic vs. acquired — to reveal the true durability of the revenue base.

## A. REVENUE COMPOSITION AND RECURRING REVENUE QUALITY

1	Revenue is decomposed by type — the organization tracks the split between recurring (subscription, maintenance, retainer), repeating (usage-based, transactional), and non-recurring	1 Non-Ex	2 Ad Hoc	3 Dev	4 Estab	5 Best
2	Recurring revenue percentage is calculated and trending — the organization knows what percentage of total revenue is contractually recurring and is managing toward an increasing	1 Non-Ex	2 Ad Hoc	3 Dev	4 Estab	5 Best
3	Net Revenue Retention (NRR) exceeds 100% — existing customers generate more revenue over time through expansion, upsell, and price increases, even after accounting for churn and	1 Non-Ex	2 Ad Hoc	3 Dev	4 Estab	5 Best
4	Gross retention rate is tracked separately from NRR — the organization distinguishes between retention of existing revenue (gross retention) and growth from existing customers	1 Non-Ex	2 Ad Hoc	3 Dev	4 Estab	5 Best
5	Revenue quality metrics are included in management reporting — recurring revenue percentage, NRR, gross retention, and revenue composition are standard KPIs reviewed by the	1 Non-Ex	2 Ad Hoc	3 Dev	4 Estab	5 Best

**SECTION A SCORE: Total: \_\_\_\_\_ / 25      Average: \_\_\_\_\_ / 5**

**QUESTIONS 6-10**

## Section B: Customer Concentration and Dependency Risk

*Would the Loss of Any Single Customer Materially Impact Your Business?*

*Customer concentration is a fragility that investors, lenders, and acquirers scrutinize intensely. If your top customer represents 20% of revenue, your business model has a single point of failure. The System CFO quantifies concentration risk, models the impact of customer loss scenarios, and builds diversification strategies that reduce dependency without sacrificing depth of relationship.*

**B. CUSTOMER CONCENTRATION AND DEPENDENCY RISK**

<p><b>6</b> Customer concentration is quantified — the organization knows the revenue percentage represented by the top 1, 5, 10, and 20 customers, and tracks concentration trends over time.</p>	<p>1 Non-Ex</p>	<p>2 Ad Hoc</p>	<p>3 Dev</p>	<p>4 Estab</p>	<p>5 Best</p>
<p><b>7</b> No single customer represents more than 10% of revenue — or if concentration exists above this threshold, the risk is acknowledged, monitored, and a diversification strategy is</p>	<p>1 Non-Ex</p>	<p>2 Ad Hoc</p>	<p>3 Dev</p>	<p>4 Estab</p>	<p>5 Best</p>
<p><b>8</b> Customer loss scenarios are modeled — the financial impact of losing each top-10 customer is quantified, including revenue loss, margin impact, and the timeline to replace the revenue</p>	<p>1 Non-Ex</p>	<p>2 Ad Hoc</p>	<p>3 Dev</p>	<p>4 Estab</p>	<p>5 Best</p>
<p><b>9</b> Contract renewal risk for major customers is assessed — renewal dates, competitive threats, satisfaction levels, and relationship health for concentrated customers are monitored</p>	<p>1 Non-Ex</p>	<p>2 Ad Hoc</p>	<p>3 Dev</p>	<p>4 Estab</p>	<p>5 Best</p>
<p><b>10</b> Geographic and industry concentration are evaluated — beyond customer-level concentration, the organization assesses whether revenue is overly dependent on a single geography,</p>	<p>1 Non-Ex</p>	<p>2 Ad Hoc</p>	<p>3 Dev</p>	<p>4 Estab</p>	<p>5 Best</p>

**SECTION B SCORE: Total: \_\_\_\_ / 25      Average: \_\_\_\_ / 5**

**QUESTIONS 11-15**

## Section C: Channel and Product Concentration

*Is Your Revenue Diversified Across Channels and Products — or Dangerously Concentrated?*

Concentration risk extends beyond customers to channels, products, and go-to-market strategies. An organization that generates 80% of revenue through a single channel (e.g., a marketplace, a partner, or direct sales) faces existential risk if that channel is disrupted. The System CFO evaluates multi-dimensional concentration to build a revenue base that is resilient to disruption in any single dimension.

**C. CHANNEL AND PRODUCT CONCENTRATION**

11	Revenue is tracked by go-to-market channel — the split between direct sales, inside sales, partner/channel, marketplace, self-service, and other channels is quantified with margin	1 Non-Ex	2 Ad Hoc	3 Dev	4 Estab	5 Best
12	Product or service line concentration is assessed — the organization knows whether revenue is overly dependent on a single product, and has a roadmap for portfolio	1 Non-Ex	2 Ad Hoc	3 Dev	4 Estab	5 Best
13	Channel dependency risks are identified — if any single channel represents more than 50% of revenue, the risk of channel disruption (partner loss, marketplace policy change,	1 Non-Ex	2 Ad Hoc	3 Dev	4 Estab	5 Best
14	Revenue by contract structure is analyzed — the mix of annual contracts, monthly subscriptions, usage-based, and project-based revenue is tracked to understand the predictability and	1 Non-Ex	2 Ad Hoc	3 Dev	4 Estab	5 Best
15	New revenue sources are being developed — the organization is actively investing in new products, channels, or markets that will reduce concentration over time, with progress tracked	1 Non-Ex	2 Ad Hoc	3 Dev	4 Estab	5 Best

**SECTION C SCORE: Total: \_\_\_\_ / 25      Average: \_\_\_\_ / 5**

**QUESTIONS 16-20**

## Section D: Revenue Risk Governance and Investor Communication

*Does Your Board Understand Revenue Risk — and Is the Governance Framework Adequate?*

*Revenue risk governance requires visibility, measurement, and proactive management at the board level. Investors and acquirers will scrutinize revenue quality and concentration as primary valuation factors. The System CFO builds a governance framework that surfaces concentration risks, tracks diversification progress, and ensures that revenue quality metrics are embedded in strategic planning and board reporting.*

**D. REVENUE RISK GOVERNANCE AND INVESTOR COMMUNICATION**

16	Revenue concentration metrics are included in board reporting — top customer concentration, recurring revenue mix, NRR, and channel diversification are standard board package components	1 Non-Ex	2 Ad Hoc	3 Dev	4 Estab	5 Best
17	Revenue risk is included in the enterprise risk register — concentration risk, churn risk, pricing risk, and competitive displacement risk are assessed, quantified, and tracked	1 Non-Ex	2 Ad Hoc	3 Dev	4 Estab	5 Best
18	Revenue quality targets are set and tracked — the organization has specific goals for reducing concentration, increasing recurring revenue percentage, and improving NRR, with progress	1 Non-Ex	2 Ad Hoc	3 Dev	4 Estab	5 Best
19	Investor-facing materials address revenue quality — pitch decks, investor updates, and due diligence materials proactively address revenue composition, concentration, and	1 Non-Ex	2 Ad Hoc	3 Dev	4 Estab	5 Best
20	Revenue risk mitigation strategies exist — for each identified concentration risk, there is a documented strategy for diversification, retention, or contingency planning with named	1 Non-Ex	2 Ad Hoc	3 Dev	4 Estab	5 Best

**SECTION D SCORE: Total: \_\_\_\_ / 25      Average: \_\_\_\_ / 5**

**OVERALL ASSESSMENT SCORE**  
 Section A: \_\_\_\_ / 25    Section B: \_\_\_\_ / 25    Section C: \_\_\_\_ / 25    Section D: \_\_\_\_ / 25    TOTAL: \_\_\_\_ / 100    AVG: \_\_\_\_ / 5



**GAP TO GOAL**

# Gap-to-Goal Action Plan

*Bridging the Gap — Revenue Quality and Concentration Risk Diagnostic*

Transfer your five lowest-scoring questions. For each gap, define the target state, specific actions, owner, timeline, and success metric. Focus on highest-impact gaps first.

GAP #	Q REF	CURRENT	TARGET	SPECIFIC ACTION TO CLOSE GAP	OWNER	DEADLINE	METRIC
1	Q__	___/5	___/5	_____	_____	_____	_____
2	Q__	___/5	___/5	_____	_____	_____	_____
3	Q__	___/5	___/5	_____	_____	_____	_____
4	Q__	___/5	___/5	_____	_____	_____	_____
5	Q__	___/5	___/5	_____	_____	_____	_____

### ASSESSMENT SUMMARY

Completed by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Overall average score: \_\_\_ / 5      Items scored 1-2 (critical): \_\_\_

Items scored 3 (developing): \_\_\_      Items scored 4-5 (strong): \_\_\_

Top strength: \_\_\_\_\_

Most critical gap: \_\_\_\_\_

One action this week: \_\_\_\_\_

### READY TO GO DEEPER?

This free assessment identified your gaps. The Premium System CFO Toolkits provide the frameworks, templates, and action plans to close them. Visit [EfuturesCFO.com](http://EfuturesCFO.com)





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**PREMIUM: The Revenue Operations Diagnostic (12 Pages)**

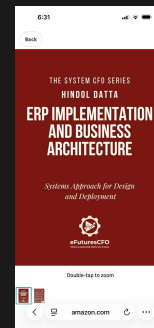
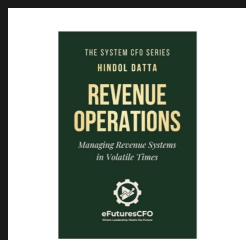
The full premium toolkit includes the complete revenue decomposition framework, revenue quality scoring methodology, concentration risk quantification tools, NRR optimization playbooks, and the System CFO revenue dashboard for tracking revenue health across all dimensions.

*Plus: Access the Super Exclusive 46-Page  
System CFO Organizational Finance Assessment Kit*

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