

Mapping Geospatial Value

How Indian organizations use geospatial services

Geospatial technologies go so much further than simply tracking a package from point A to point B. They create visibility throughout the value chain. From the movement of raw materials and employees to geospatial services as a line of business, these important technologies have revolutionized business. But how significant is this impact?

Oxford Economics and Google Maps Platform fielded a survey of 1,000 executives across the world, including 100 executives from India. This summary fact sheet outlines the overall business strategies of Indian respondents, how they use geospatial services to achieve these goals, and the effect these implementations have on business performance.



1. Strategies are set and geospatial services are perceived as a solution

Executive action must always be made with an organization's goals in mind—and as decision-makers move past the turbulence of the pandemic, traditional business priorities are retaking center stage.

Geospatial services can bolster these business goals, and executives in India are seizing the opportunity. Whether for internal or customer-facing purposes, investments in geospatial technologies are well under way.



57% of Indian respondents have invested in geospatial technologies to create new customer experiences.



Top three areas of strategic focus for Indian executives

Improving operational efficiency

50%

Increasing the quality of our products or services

Improving customer/user experience



44% of Indian respondents have invested in geospatial technologies for their internal operations.





2. Indian respondents use geospatial services in a variety of ways

Application of geospatial services will vary by industry, but Indian respondents tend to follow global trends in how they are used. Mapping services are excellent at communicating with customers; something as simple as letting a user know the time it takes to get from point A to point B can make interactions convenient and satisfying. But geospatial services also are being used in all facets of business—from the start of an interaction and throughout the value chain.



Top five geospatial use cases in India and overall

For Indian respondents

Communicating information to increase customer engagement

- Providing localized information to help users understand what is nearby so they can make easier decisions about where to shop, visit, or live
- Making middle-mile deliveries
- Making last-mile deliveries
- Helping customers recognize and understand their transactions

For all respondents

- Communicating information to increase customer engagement
- Providing localized information to help users understand what is nearby so they can make easier decisions about where to shop, visit, or live
- Helping customers find and visit the nearest store, ATM, restaurant, auto shop, or medical office, or other location/service
- Offering efficient routes for people and/or goods
- Making last-mile deliveries

3. Geospatial services use cases provide financial benefits

Quantifying any technology investment is a tall order (as varying economic forces influence revenue and profitability). But when gauging executive sentiment about geospatial services, the impact is clear: They boost profitability, reduce costs, and grow revenue.



Of those who agreed or disagreed, **84%** of Indian respondents say their organization has become more profitable since implementing geospatial services.



33% of Indian executives say geospatial services help reduce operating costs.



37% of Indian executives cite revenue growth since initial geospatial services investments, with 17% (★) citing revenue growth of over 5%.





4. Geospatial services provide non-financial benefits

Executives from Indian organizations credit geospatial services for non-financial business benefits, too. Nearly two-thirds say they have created greater visibility into operations (63%), and for nearly half they have increased customer acquisition (47%) and improved operational efficiency (46%).

The extent of these benefits varies, but on average, India respondents say geospatial services have provided at least 10% improvements in productive capacity, supply chain optimization, and operational efficiency.



Increased operational efficiency (e.g., fewer trips made for deliveries, optimized delivery loads)



12.21% Customer retention



11.58% New business opportunities

To learn more about how organizations across the world are using geospatial services to drive value, check out our short Think Pieces:

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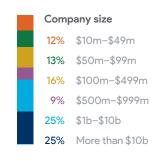
About the research

Google Maps Platform and Oxford Economics partnered to survey 1,000 executives at organizations of varying sizes across countries and industries. The respondent base is represented by organizations from eight countries, and all had at least \$10m in annual revenue.

For the purposes of this research, we grouped respondents into 14 industry clusters, including accommodation and food services; real estate and rental and leasing; administrative and support and waste management and remediation services; finance and insurance; transportation and warehousing; wholesale and retail trade; manufacturing; arts, entertainment, and recreation; agriculture; professional, scientific, and technical services; non-profit; media and entertainment; telecommunications; and software and internet.

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