

CFOS PLAN FOR STRATEGIC GROWTH IN 2026:



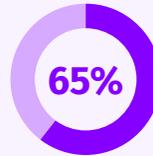
MAXIMIZING PERFORMANCE THROUGH AI AND ROBUST SOLUTIONS

The latest DFIN survey shows that CFOs and finance leaders are cautiously optimistic about 2026, with plans to mitigate volatility and enhance performance through adoption of AI and advanced technologies.

Cybersecurity, risk management, and AI top the list for 2026 investment priorities for financial leaders, with long-term company goals and regulatory risk being the most important criteria that guide investment decisions.

DFIN views this strategic approach as crucial for companies to scale confidently in an uncertain economic landscape.

Prominent Trends



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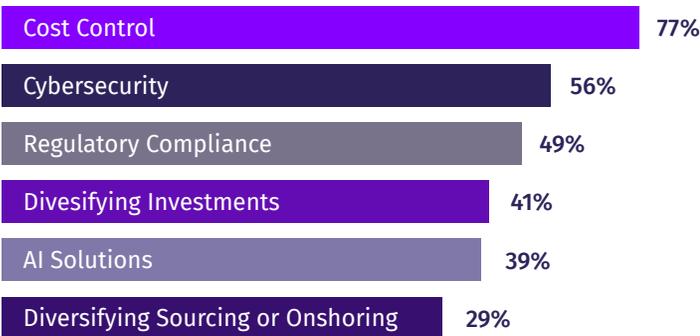


44% of public CFOs rated their company's performance as good or excellent in 2025.



39% of companies have a dedicated AI budget, and 88% report increased employee task efficiency from AI.

CFOs top investments to alleviate performance concerns:

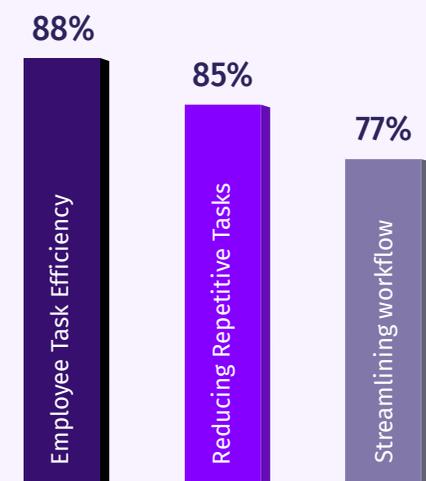


45% of decision makers consider AI a top concern

56% of all CFOs are prioritizing cybersecurity

Financial Leaders are seeing AI transform their workplaces by improving employee task efficiency, reducing repetitive tasks and streamlining workflows.

As a result, employees are freed up to focus on higher-value work, enabling teams to drive greater impact and innovation. CFOs forecast significant gains in productivity through AI solutions.



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