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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

INTELLIGENT BUILDINGS AND THE IMPACT OF THE INTERNET OF THINGS

ES.1 PROJECT BACKGROUND AND INTRODUCTION

This executive summary presents top-level trends and conclusions from the CABA Landmark Study “Intelligent Buildings and the Impact of the Internet of Things”. CABA commissioned IHS Markit to undertake this research project on behalf of the Intelligent Buildings Council (IBC), a working group of CABA. The research and report has been created by IHS Markit, a leading analyst research firm, for the Continental Automated Buildings Association (CABA). CABA is a leader in initiating and developing cross-industry collaborative research under the CABA Research Program.

About the Report

CABA has two councils, the Connected Home Council (CHC) focusing on residential homes, and the Intelligent Buildings Council (IBC) focusing on larger commercial buildings. Each council produces one collaborative Landmark Research project per year which is fully funded by CABA member sponsors. Each Landmark Research project is directed by a Steering Committee made up of project sponsors. The Steering Committee provides feedback and input throughout the course of the research to help define the scope, direction, and methodology. CABA and the project Steering Committee commission a research firm to conduct the research while CABA provides project management.

The Intelligent Buildings Market is a rapidly evolving segment that is being influenced by a number of emerging trends. CABA’s IBC participated in several sessions to generate topics and select the IBC Landmark Research project for 2016. Several excellent ideas were generated, the top three topics were voted on, and “Intelligent Buildings and the Impact of the Internet of Things (IoT)” was selected as the Landmark Research Project for 2016.

Following selection of the topic for the Landmark Research Project for 2016, CABA released a formal Request for Proposal (RFP). The CABA selection team narrowed down candidates who responded to the RFP to the top two finalists. Along with initial funders of this research, CABA commissioned the research to IHS Markit.

Role of the Steering Committee and Funders

The Steering Committee represented a cross-section of solution providers in the Intelligent Buildings marketplace. Representatives from each organization joined IHS Markit and CABA on regular collaboration calls to ensure the research scope met the project objectives. The Steering Committee played a vital role in outlining the research product in terms of defining the required content on the research approach including the development of the interview scripts and survey guides. In addition, the Steering Committee received a draft of the research and their review and feedback was valuable in creating the final product.
IHS Markit and CABA would like to acknowledge the CABA member funders listed in Figure ES1, and the respondents who helped make this research possible. We would also like to take this opportunity to thank the CABA member funders and CABA, as well as all those organizations that contributed their valuable time and information. In particular, we appreciate the trust and transparency shown by respondents willing to share confidential information. Without the help of all these organizations it would not have been possible to produce such an in depth and detailed study.

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Overview and Methodology

Two main primary research processes were used for this report: extensive interviews with industry participants (ecosystem interviews) and an on-line decision-maker survey of businesses in Canada and the United States.

Ecosystem interviews

A series of detailed phone interviews were conducted with key decision-makers at a number of different types of organizations, across the following organization types. The percentages provide only a guide:

- 30 percent were leading building supply-side solution providers.
- 20 percent were from large North American facility management service providers and large owners.
- 30 percent were from organizations specializing in IoT solutions for enterprises and industry, 50 percent of them were from established suppliers, 50 percent from disruptors.
- 20 percent were from other players on the supply side of the building automation industry, such as system integrators, connectivity solution providers, etc.

The names of the companies interviewed cannot be revealed. Interviewees were assured confidentiality, as they were often discussing product or service plans and detailed strategic information. IHS Markit conducted 20 in-depth interviews for this study.

North American decision-maker survey

IHS Markit, in conjunction with the CABA project Steering Committee members, developed an on-line decision-maker survey to assess attitudes towards intelligent buildings and the impact of IoT.

The survey targeted 150 building, facility and IT managers and owners/operators from a broad sample of building sizes, types, and geographies in both the United States and Canada.

The aim of this survey was to understand decision-maker views on the impact of a range of IoT topics on intelligent buildings. These topics ranged from real-time monitoring and control of building systems to the role of data analytics in building management. The topics were framed within the context of the five main themes outlined in Section 2.

The survey consisted of 20 questions, two open-response, and the balance being closed-response. It was intended that the survey took 15-20 minutes to complete. For these >150 responses, the project steering group decided that:

- An artificial skew was to be created in the sample in order that approximately 33 percent of responses were from Canada, allowing for greater statistical analysis of the results by country than a purely population-driven sample frame would give.
- As well as traditional building or facilities managers, the survey was also to target responses from IT managers within enterprises or buildings and from building owners to reflect the trends in convergence between them. 25 percent of responses were proposed to be from IT managers, 25 percent from building owners
- The remainder of the survey targeted a representative sample by vertical industry (sector), facility size, and sub-region in Canada and the United States.

It should be noted that the Steering Committee was split on whether to include the industrial/manufacturing sector within the survey. By a narrow margin, it was decided to include this sector; however, IHS Markit has endeavored to analyze the results with and without industrial/manufacturing included, to assess whether the inclusion affected the general picture presented by the responses.

Report Structure

Chapter One provides the reader with an introduction to the IoT ecosystem; then drills down into the part that intelligent buildings play in it. The chapter links up some of the key conclusions taken from Chapter 3 of this report. It is broken down into:

- Overview of IoT ecosystem
- The place of intelligent buildings in the IoT ecosystem
- The building automation market
- The connected commercial lighting market
- The physical access control market
- The commercial closed-circuit television (CCTV) market
Chapter Two starts with an overview of the main analysis, drawing on ecosystem interview and decision maker survey results, analysis and recommendations, to provide a comprehensive summary of the key trends relating to IoT and intelligent buildings.

After the summary, it then explores the main themes identified by the project Steering Committee. During the initial project Steering Committee meetings, the committee identified these themes as central to the development of the roadmap for IoT in intelligent buildings.

IHS has attempted to simplify the 20 issues identified by CABA and the Steering Committee for the purpose of the scope into five main themes, each of which are examined by application and market segment. These themes were developed by the project Steering Committee and shown below.

The scope of this study focused on the IoT within intelligent buildings and thus the results presented on these five themes should be analyzed with this in mind. It is not the intention of this research to suggest that the IoT does not have implications in the wider ecosystem; however, it is possible a wider view of how an intelligent building can support wider IoT initiatives is out of the purview of these interviewees.

Chapter Three presents the overall roadmap for IoT in intelligent buildings. For each main theme, the chapter presents an overview of the research findings along with recommended actions for each main supplier group.

Chapter Four comprises an analysis question by question of the decision-maker survey from the end-user research carried out by IHS Markit, and designed in conjunction with the CABA Project Steering committee members. Again, this is structured to analyze the five main themes agreed by the Project Steering committee.

Appendix A provides the discussion guide used for the ecosystem interviews and the questionnaire used for the decision-maker survey.

Appendix B provides a glossary of terms.

Appendix C provides a list of references.
ES.2 SUMMARY OF KEY FINDINGS

The key findings of the research are discussed in this section with each subsection corresponding to findings within each chapter of this report.

Although there are many factors that will influence the pace of IoT adoption in commercial buildings, several key themes revolve around defining a high value of the IoT in the intelligent building. However, value is relative especially since there are many stakeholders in the intelligent building ecosystem, and different IoT implementations have the ability to create value for each of them.

- Access to data continually drives technology innovation within the intelligent building: Historically the collected data has only been viewed or used by a particular group of individuals, usually on-site, via specialized equipment. As we move to IoT standardized devices, a whole range of individuals can access building data, for a variety of purposes; ultimately driving a wide range of new technology solutions for the intelligent building.
- Overarching trends will impact the development of the commercial market ultimately determining levels of investment available to support IoT adoption including governments or regulatory bodies placing value on IoT technology solutions that can have a measurable impact on their cause, such as energy performance or the health of building occupants.
- A fundamental shift in business strategies from both building operators and suppliers to better support the adoption of IoT solutions signals the value both put on IoT in the intelligent building.

KEY TRENDS IN IOT AND COMMERCIAL BUILDING TECHNOLOGY MARKETS – SECTION 1

Internet of Things Overview

It is important to note that the IoT is not a specific device or technology - it is a conceptual framework, driven by the idea of embedding connectivity and intelligence in a wide range of devices. IHS defines an IoT device as one with some form of embedded connectivity that allows it to be directly connected to the Internet (that is, it is IP-addressable) or allows it to connect (be tethered) to an IP-addressable device. This connection can be wired or wireless. These devices can include a range of sensors as well as some type of user interface (UI); but neither a sensor nor a user interface is required under this definition.

The overall ecosystem of IoT is reviewed in ES.2. The ability to collect vast amounts of data in near real-time from this broad range of intelligent connected devices is the foundation of the IoT. This data can then be accessed directly, or via the cloud, and unique value propositions can be created through the application of complex analytics and big data techniques. In this way, the IoT can, and will, be used to provide unique value propositions and create complex information systems which are greater than the sum of the individual components.

Figure ES.3 illustrates the size of the IoT market opportunity. It is projected that by the end of 2025, there will be around 70 billion IoT-connected devices and that annual shipments will have reached 18 billion devices per annum. There are several factors that IHS considered in the development of these projections, which are discussed in more detail in Chapter 1. These include:

- Near-term effects of the sluggish global macroeconomic environment, with a slow housing market and constrained CapEx
- Development of appropriate business models (for each market subsector)
- Consumer acceptance and decreasing costs of connected devices
- IPV6 implementation
- Long-term evolution (LTE network upgrades)
- Advances in processor technologies.
Introduction to the Development of the Intelligent Building Market

A number of overarching trends will impact the development of the commercial building automation market over the next five years as well as the adoption of IoT to move to an intelligent building:

- Commercial construction spending growth
- Policies, legislation and regulation
- Building certification programs and organizations
- Refurbishments of existing buildings
- Building owner and facility manager requirements
- Education and industry knowledge

More interesting is to look at the key developments of technology being deployed within intelligent buildings and map these developments against the overall IoT ecosystem map as presented in Figure ES.4. It is important to highlight that innovation is driving every layer of the ecosystem at the same time, although interoperability and standardization are trends continually highlighted.
**DEEP DIVE ANALYSIS OF KEY THEMES – SECTION 2**

This chapter combined the research obtained from the decision-maker survey with the information from the ecosystem interviews to address the main themes that were developed by the Project Steering committee. Analysis of the five main themes as follows:

**Theme 1 - Realizing the value of IoT**

**Summary of key message:** As technology developments throughout the IoT Ecosystem have come to fruition and continual innovation drives solutions, adoption of IoT solutions in intelligent buildings remains dependent on proving the value of IoT. Although the ecosystem interviews gave perspective on what the suppliers to the industry believed would be of value, the decision-maker survey illustrated this was not always in line with what the customer was actually looking for.
Suppliers often referred to the new and innovative functions that IoT could bring, such as location-based services, pervasive sensing, scenario creation, etc. However, the results from the decision-maker survey illustrated that often the most important developments were to enhance the more traditional building system functions.

It should be noted that the survey only captured a snapshot of viewpoints related to the value added by IoT; but there are many stakeholders in the ecosystem, and different IoT implementations can create value for each of them. For instance, there is value in upgrading and enhancing existing building automation systems with retrofits, although the full functionality and benefit will not always be realized; for that particular project the value in upgrading may be high. Obviously going all-in with construction of a new building is the best approach, but this is not always practical.

**Impact of IoT as key issue for the industry to address:** Analytics, Dashboards, Real-time Monitoring and Control, Centralized Management, Convergence of Systems, Adaptive Automation, User Interface, Business Case and Economies of Scale, Stakeholder Analysis

**Theme 2 – Data Security & Storage**

**Summary of key message:** Concerns remain over attacks, which currently limits the types of technologies chosen to support, with data privacy and storage challenges. IoT and the development of cloud services have opened up new opportunities and business models for ecosystem suppliers to the commercial building systems market. However, many of these new services and business models are predicated on the data generated by the building systems being stored remotely and potentially analyzed by third parties.

Suppliers interviewed indicated they were rolling out or had rolled out cloud-based services for their customers. The decision-maker survey shows that the majority of the sample respondents (68 percent) were not willing to store their building systems’ data on third-party systems. Of those that were willing, 11 percent of the total respondents restricted the types of data the third parties could store.

**Impact of IoT as key issue for the industry to address:** Cybersecurity, Privacy, Data Storage, Data Sovereignty, Gateways and Data Centers, Edge to Cloud Services, Remote Accessibility, Ability to gather and normalize data from disparate systems

**Theme 3 – Standardization**

**Summary of key message:** A consistent issue that affects IoT in all application areas is interoperability, and the vast array of standards and technologies that are used to connect devices. Connectivity is at the core of IoT; however, the lack of common standards is also one of its greatest barriers. Interoperability is a concern for both wired and wireless, but it is becoming more of an issue as more wireless retrofit solutions are being introduced to the market, adding to the existing mix of wired protocols. This is the key reason driving the critical need for both wired and wireless solutions to be IP-compatible.

Based on results from the survey, between 18 percent and 27 percent of respondents (depending on system type) used only wireless solutions for individual systems. Physical access control was the system type where wireless only was most prevalent. Lighting was the system type where wireless only was least prevalent.

**Impact of IoT as key issue for the industry to address:** Interoperability and Open Standards, Cover Connectivity, Middleware Platforms, APIs, etc.

**Theme 4 – Ecosystem**

**Summary of key message:** Open ecosystems and cross-vertical, cross-value chain collaboration are crucial in the IoT because much of the proposed innovation and value is due to “mash ups” (e.g., integration) of data from diverse sources, ranging from connected machine and sensor data and traditional ERP/CRM systems, amongst others.

Despite companies reporting they would like a more centralized control of systems, results from the decision-maker survey indicate there are still a number of barriers to achieving this: there are multiple routes to market and the numerous types of customers are buying in different ways.

**Impact of IoT as key issue for the industry to address:** Existing Players, Emerging IoT Suppliers, Channels to Market, Development of overall supplier ecosystem and the disruption from IoT, Education and Engagement, Emerging revenue models for services

**Theme 5 – Business Processes**

**Summary of key message:** At the moment, there are two clear examples of changes in the current business practice of many companies in the intelligent building market in direct response to this increase in control of a building; they are the changing roles of facility managers and a focus on service instead of hardware from suppliers.
The facility manager’s role is changing to more of a cooperative partnership with IT in the near to medium term with the facility manager taking on more and more IT responsibility, knowledge and domain expertise as the market matures and the lines between the roles continue to blur in the longer term.

Impact of IoT as key issue for the industry to address: Role of facility managers versus IT managers. Changes in training, roles, processes

INTELLIGENT BUILDING ROADMAP & RECOMMENDATIONS – SECTION 3

IHS Market has used the data collected from this research to plot a roadmap for intelligent buildings. The roadmap is defined by the respondent groups that have been pulled out in this report and outlined in the previous section. How to move along this roadmap is the key to realizing its full potential. For each major segment, the attitudes, solutions and views relating to the five main themes are examined. Figure ES.6 expresses this map graphically.

Achieving a full-concept intelligent building is a significant step: one which few organizations can claim, as the investment is high to adopt both the leading-edge solutions and centrally controlled solutions. Key attributes for organizations to target adopting a full concept intelligent building include:

- Target companies having nearly all main building functions automated – HVAC, energy management, hazard detection, physical security, lighting and CCTV.
- The systems would also employ leading-edge features, with high levels of systems performing based on building occupancy, location-based set points, external inputs (weather forecasts and energy pricing), integration with A/V equipment, analytics, predictive maintenance, etc.
- It is expected that a mix of solutions for data storage and analysis will be used. Some organizations are expected to have embraced cloud computing using third-party infrastructure to store and analyze data. However, the high level of negative feeling about this means that on-premises or company-owned infrastructure will still be a likely chosen solution.
- Most advanced users have current frustration about interoperability problems and the lack of standardization. Pushing features that demonstrate how these problems can be overcome and that show compliance to industry standards, such as Haystack, will help.

![Intelligent Building Roadmap](image)

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The conclusion is that some of the potential of IoT is seen as merely ‘nice to have’. The most important things that suppliers need to communicate in their marketing are: exactly how IoT will impact the
bottom line; how it will reduce the energy consumption of buildings; and how it will allow building owners to improve overall financial planning. Table ES.1 highlights the advantages with clear ties to ROI are currently the most attractive to users. Once these points have been made, they can be supplemented by stating other, less obvious advantages that are of interest, but just viewed as ‘nice to have’.

A similar message was given from the results to question 2.3, where 11 applications were presented to respondents and they were asked to rank them all from 1 to 7, where 1 was extremely valuable and 7 not of value at all. The results are shown in Figure ES.6. Again the author concludes that the more traditional, more obvious applications have the greatest value for decision makers. Information on the building system status and the likelihood of failure were the applications that received the highest scores. The more imaginative, less obvious applications, such as “ability to create rules / algorithms based on the needs of your building”, “integration with weather systems for historical comparisons as well as future energy & maintenance forecasting” and “use of advanced algorithms to recommend location-based set points based on usage and occupancy” were generally viewed as significantly less valuable.

IHS Markit devised a scoring system for each response that allowed the responses to be normalized on a 10-point scale for comparison purposes. To do this, each response was given a score. Four was given for a selection of option 5, three for option 4, two for option 3 and one for option 2. A score of zero was given for option 1. The score was combined for all responses across all building system types. The total was then re-based so that the system type that had the lowest score was set to zero and the system type with the highest score set to 10. The results are displayed in Table 4.10.

Table ES.1 Most attractive advantages that IoT in building automation can bring

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<th>Advantage</th>
<th>Total</th>
<th>Industrial</th>
<th>Non Industrial</th>
<th>Auto High</th>
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<td>Reduce energy consumption</td>
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All respondents, n=150

Source: IHS Markit
Figure ES.6 focuses mainly on the value of IoT solutions for operations and not for occupants. Several interesting conclusions can be pulled from this one question posed to decision-makers:

- The top four applications were all those that are relatively well documented for how intelligent buildings could function. The slightly more out-of-the-box functions, such as occupancy information, weather system integration, and location-based set-point recommendations, were scored lower, but did receive more than 30 percent of respondents ranking them within the top three.

- When analyzed by major segment, there was little variation in the profile of those applications that scored higher or lower. One slight difference was those that already fell into the high automation segment did value a little more the newer types of service listed above; indicating that their attractiveness is perhaps linked to awareness of what they can potentially offer.

- Geolocation in a building is an IoT application and could possibly be considered in the “information on building occupancy” category in the below table, if there is the ability to do highly accurate indoor location utilizing mobile devices and enterprise WLAN access points. However, the question does not specify this type of use case.

- It is interesting to note that remote monitoring ranks high on the list although remote control is much lower, which may be due to cost and equipment lifecycles instead of a large reaction to cybersecurity measures. Remote monitoring can be relatively easily added with wired or wireless retrofit components (sensors), but remote control generally requires replacing more expensive pieces of equipment with systems that are compatible with remote control.

![Figure ES.6 - Application Value - Score](image-url)

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