The Metrics Monster Returns

Achieving VOI and ROI through Effective Metrics



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- The Metrics Monster
- Using the 7-Step Improvement Process to Achieve VOI and ROI





The issues that arise when we use measurements and metrics to drive behavior instead of using metrics to achieve VOI and ROI

 Letting only financial goals drive our desire for VOI and ROI, instead of seeing the results of ITSM

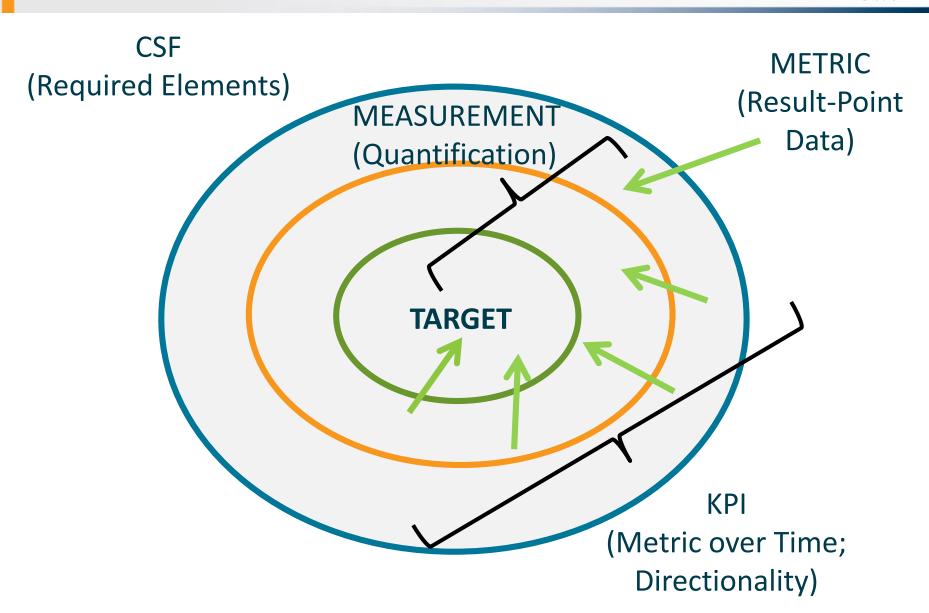


VOI = Value on Investment = warm fuzzies ROI = Return on Investment = cold facts

The disconnect that results from reverse engineering IT Services from a set of measurements and metrics

- Building from the bottom up, without top down design
- Identifying processes and technologies as services
- You cannot deliver "Change Management" like a product





Focus first on the customer and their needs (i.e. IT Services)

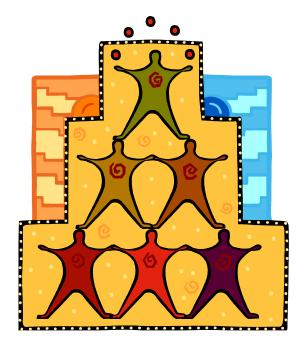
- Identify your customer or market segments
- Gather customer requirements for services they desire
- Identify quantifiable aspects of the requirements by breaking down the requirements into more granular pieces





Gather requirements like you would for any other needs

- Build measurements and metrics based on the most granular pieces
- Aggregate together to find meaningful points to baseline



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Validate the measurements and the metrics

- What will they do with the information and knowledge you will provide to them?
- How will they use the information to see VOI and ROI?



Using various outputs, gather only the data needed to fulfill the measurements

- Look in all your Service Management tools
- Differentiate between data and information



Do not waste time collecting unusable or unimportant information

Identify the "currency" that your customers use

- Translate dollars into hours or hours into dollars
 - 40 FTE Hours * \$100= \$4000
- Slice and dice
 - Excel is your friend
 - Pivot tables
 - Histograms
 - Statistical tools



There are many tools available for analysis. Some are simple and some are elaborate. Find the ones that suit you and your needs.

- ROI Calculator
- Control charts
- Advanced Statistical tools
- Brain power



ROI Worksheet: Fewer IT Service Outages



_____ outages per month

Average outage: ____ minutes

Average users impacted: _____

Average user rate: \$____/hour

Outage costs = \$____/minute

Outage costs = \$____/hour

Outage costs = \$____/month

Reduce by 20% = \$____/month

Reduce by 35% = \$____/month

Reduce by 50% = \$____/month



10 outages per month

Average outage: <u>15</u> minutes

Average users impacted: 100

Average user rate: \$50/hour

Outage costs: \$83/minute

Outage costs: \$5,000/hour

Outage costs: \$12,500/month

Reduce by 50%: \$6,250/month

Annual Cost:

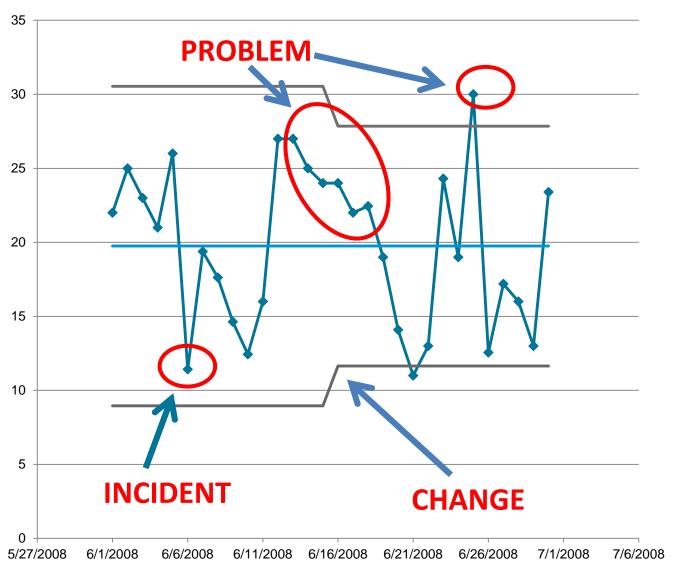
120 Outages

x .25 hours

x 100 users

x \$50 hourly

= \$150,000



"How" did these incidents occur?

"Why" did these incidents occur?

Translate the analysis into meaningful pieces of information and knowledge

- Understand how your customers intend to use the information and knowledge
- Use their language
- 0%, 50%, 100% Options
- Recommended solution



Be willing to throw out measurements and metrics if the customer sees no value in them

- Follow up on the chosen recommendation
- Begin a project
- Identify accountable individuals
- Identify funding
- Begin the cycle again

Remember: Metrics are the results and the goal, not the beginning



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