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### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- December 10<sup>th</sup>
- December 25<sup>th</sup>

- The Payables Landscape Presented by:
- Christmas 2020

• January 1<sup>st</sup>

New Years Celebration



• January 14<sup>th</sup>

Managing Liquidity in the COVID Era Presented by: BLACKROCK\*





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### The Payables Landscape

#### Presenter: Adam Keck

Presented by:



#### **Payables** Today's agenda

- Payables in market today
- Impact of COVID-19
- Shifting the payment mix
- Solution evaluation cheat sheet
- Overview of RTP
- Questions

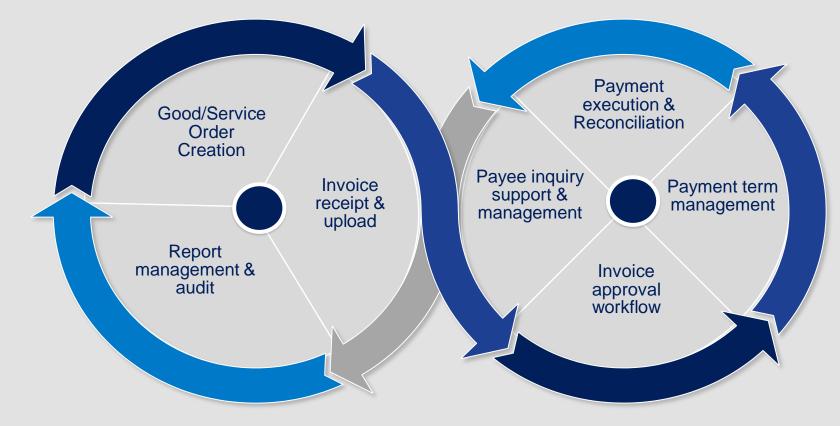


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Business environment

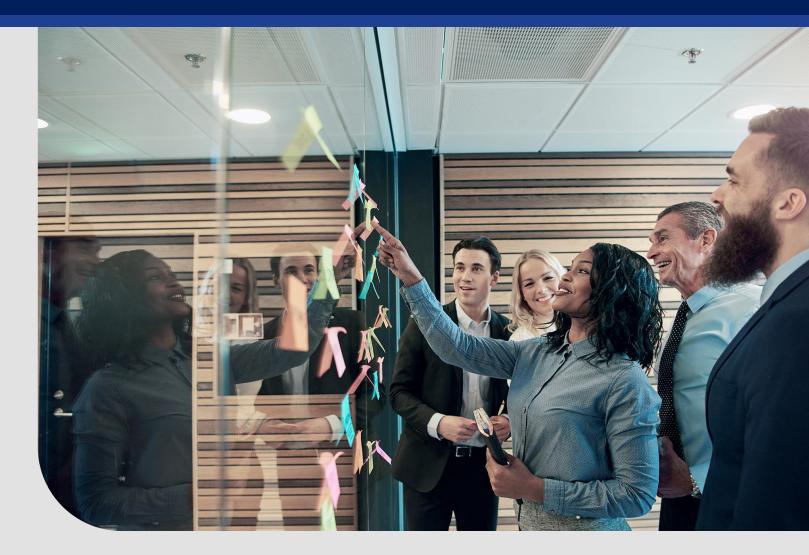
The core payable functions are consistent across industry; However, an organization's payables strategy and activities taken to execute that strategy create a unique process.





#### **Payables in market today** Key considerations | Challenges

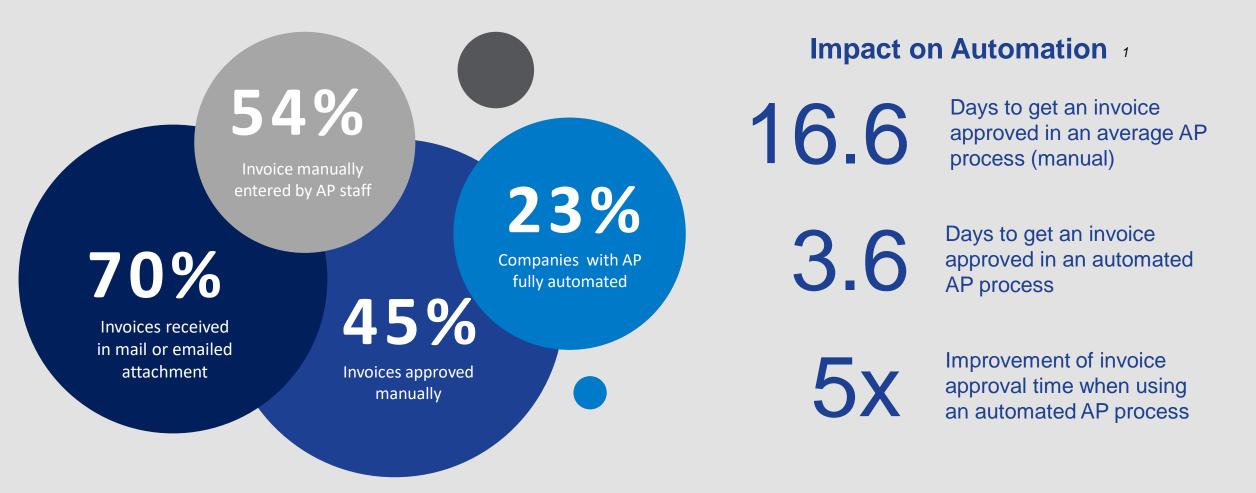
- Changing market landscape
- Regulatory requirements
- Working capital impact
- Costs and efficiencies
- Eliminating paper
- Your industry and competitors
- Fraud/Risk management
- Your internal experience
- Your payees' experience





### Payables in market today

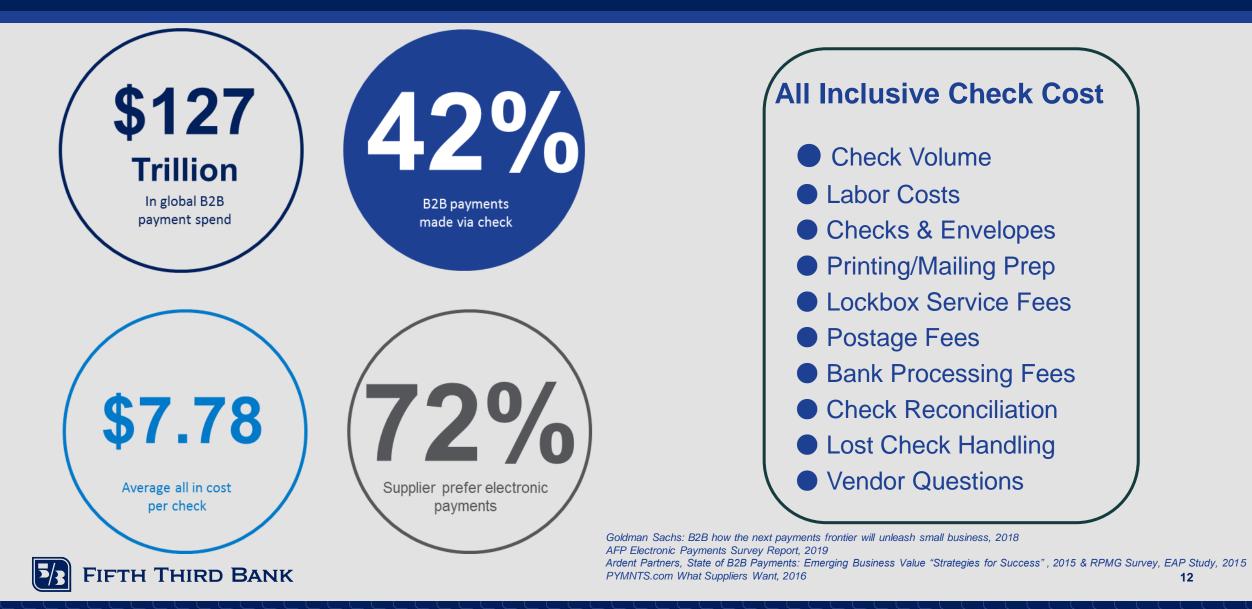
Market trends | Invoice receipt and management



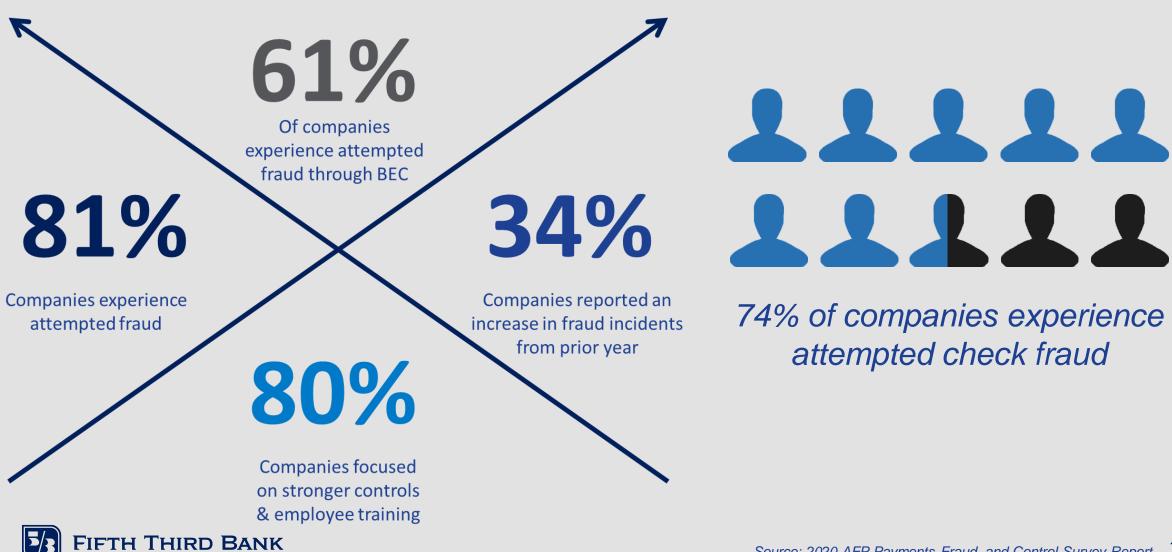


### Payables in market today

Market trends | Payment trends



#### **Payables in market today** Market trends | Fraud



#### **Payables in market today** Market trends | Fraud Deeper Look

#### **Business Email Compromise**

Most common email impersonations: from a vendor, from third party entity (IRS), and from a company's senior executive

Wire transfers, ACH credits, and ACH debits are the most common payment types targeted

The Accounts Payable, Treasury, and Procurement are the most common targets of fraudsters

#### **Electronic Payment Controls**

70% of companies have policies regarding verification for any invoice or bank account changes

65% of companies require a call back from an authorized contact to transfer funds

59% of companies have adopted twofactor authentication for payments

Source: 2020 AFP Payments Fraud and Control Survey Report



### **COVID-19** Impact

#### **COVID-19 Impact** Market trends | How it is impacting business

#### How prepared were Organizations

38% of companies did not have a documented business continuity plan

53.4% of companies surveyed stated working remotely would significantly impact their ability to process invoices

Only 46% of US employees feel their company successfully responded to the pandemic

Source: 1) AFP COVID-19 Survey 2020 2) AvidXchange Business Continuity Survey 2020 3) Hinge: Marketing in an age of uncertainty, April 2020



#### **How Organizations are Reacting**

Over 60% of companies implemented or plan to implement hiring freezes or delay new hiring

70% of companies delayed or plan to delay capital expenditures

43% of companies have or plan to draw down a significant portion of their line of credit

#### **COVID-19 Impact** Market trends | How it is impacting business

#### What is happening with payments

65% of companies have or are planning to focus on converting payments to electronic formats

74% of companies have or plan to implement stricter compliance on controls and payment verification

45% of companies have or plan to delay vendor payments

73% of banking US adults will use digital payment options through the crisis

Source: 1) AFP COVID-19 Survey 2020 2) Aite: COVID-19 impact on payments, April 2020



#### **Impact on Fraud**

"Fast tracking new suppliers, focus on operational measures rather than compliance, and job cuts are providing fertile ground for fraudsters."

Deloitte, April 10, 2020

"Pressure from an economic crisis also affects employees and can make the company itself a [fraud] target."

Bruce Dorris, President and CEO, Association of Certified Fraud Examiners (ACFE), March 31, 2020

"FBI reported increases in BEC fraud related to PPE and other supplies."

FBI National Press Office, April 6, 2020

### Shifting the Payment Mix

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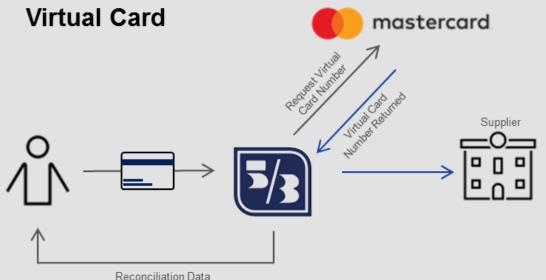
- Printing checks in house is costly and challenging in a remote environment
- Managing a remote business requires different controls to ensure appropriate oversite
- Electronic payments provide reduced fraud risk compared to paper check
- Due to health crisis many looking to minimize physical handling of paper
- Many new payment automation solutions and products produced in last 5 years



#### **Shifting the Payment Mix** Virtual Credit Card

#### Traditional P-Card





organizations experience attempted fraud via virtual card (traditional card 34%)

Control over amounts and timing of payments

Greatly reduced fraud risk: only 3% of

Visibility into all card activity via online portal

Generate financial incentive like traditional P-Card

**Benefits of a Virtual Card** 

Source: 2020 AFP Payments Fraud and Control Survey Report

### Shifting the Payment Mix RPMG Commercial Card Survey Responding to the Crisis

67% of respondents expect a decrease on commercial card spend due to decrease in business activity (all reporting stoppage of typical travel expenses)

60% of respondents report a change in spending patterns and are purchasing more:

- "Pandemic" related goods and services (e.g., PPE, home office equipment, cleaning, etc.)
- Unusual "one-off" emergency purchases
- Goods of higher dollar value

40% of virtual card users plan to increase VCN spend during pandemic

21% of respondents are increasing spending pre-approval requirements to mitigate misuse

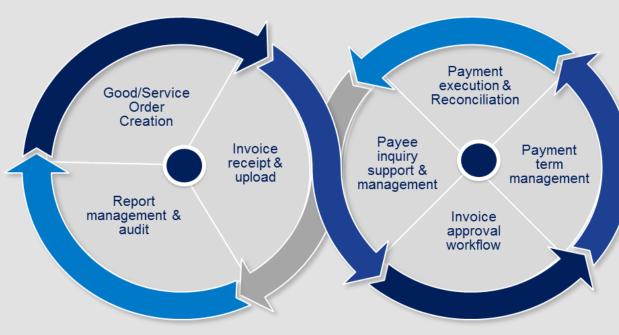


#### **Solution Evaluation Cheat Sheet**

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Questions to ask about the product:

- What percent of check payments will be converted to electronic?
- Does the solution integrate with your accounting system?
- What controls are available with the solution (Approval workflow, Positive Pay, ability to cancel payments)?
- Is there a limit on the number of users that can access the solution (Are their per-user license fees)?
- How will the solution be supported and any impact due to COVID-19?





### **Solution Evaluation Cheat Sheet**

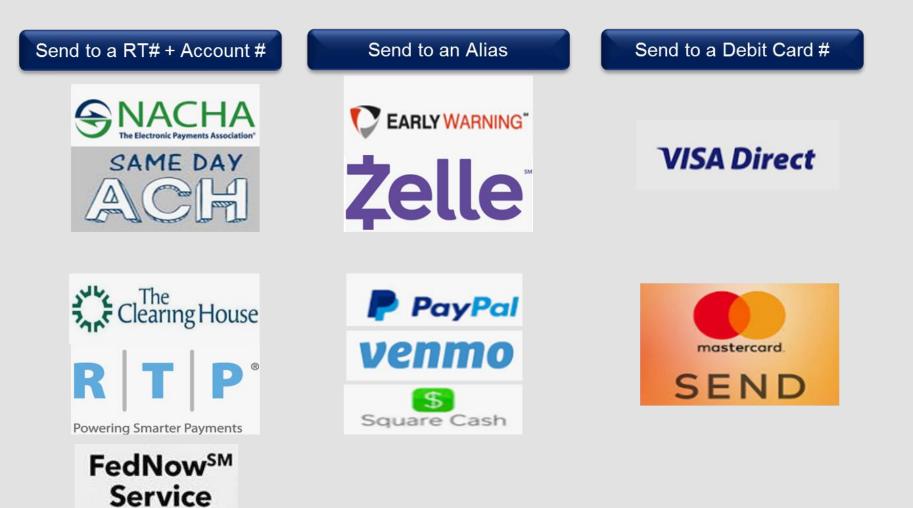
Questions to ask about the ROI:

- What assumptions were made in the ROI (cost per invoice, cost per check, number of payment converted)?
- What is the assumed ramp time to reach the estimated payment conversion levels?
- What are the post-implementation or annual costs?
- Can my Bank relationship offset costs?



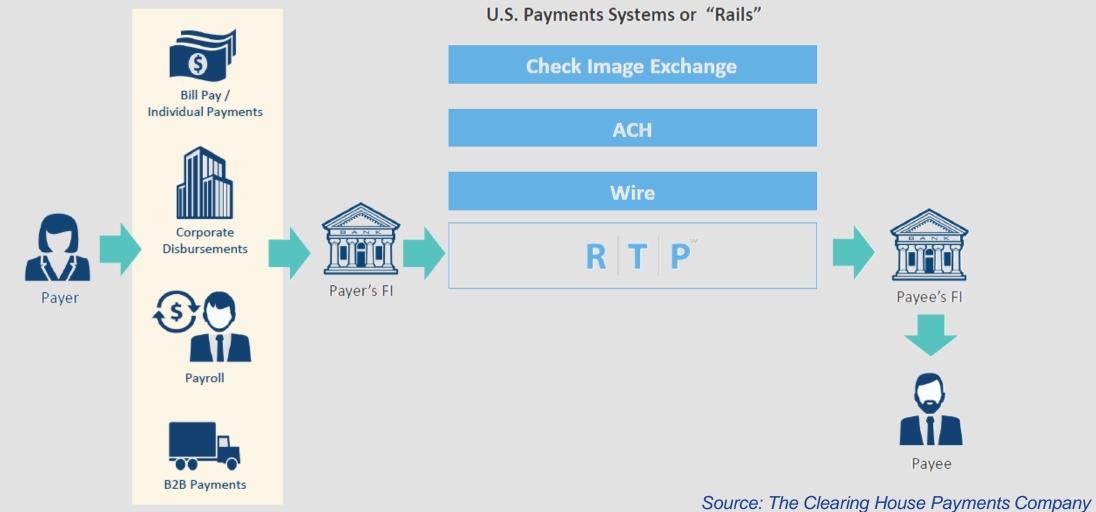
### **Real Time Payments**

#### **Faster Payments** Several "Faster Payments" Initiatives underway in the US





#### **Faster Payments** RTP: A New Payment Rail





**Faster Payments** RTP: Features





## Questions







#### January 14<sup>th</sup>

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### Thank you for your participation !



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