



SaaS Sales Development Research

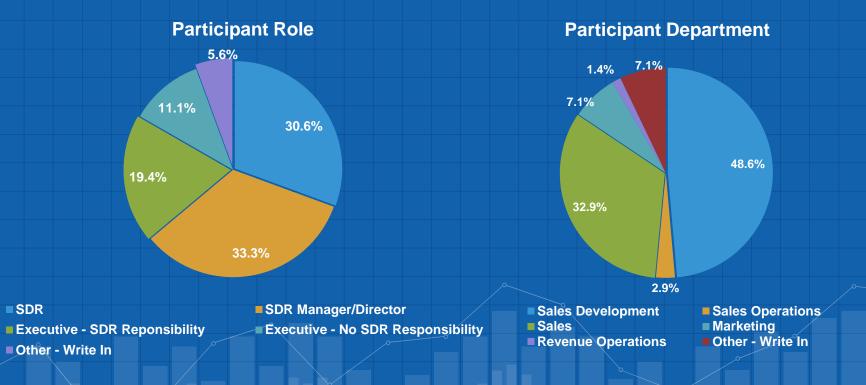
The Impact of a Pandemic on B2B SaaS Sales Development Organizations

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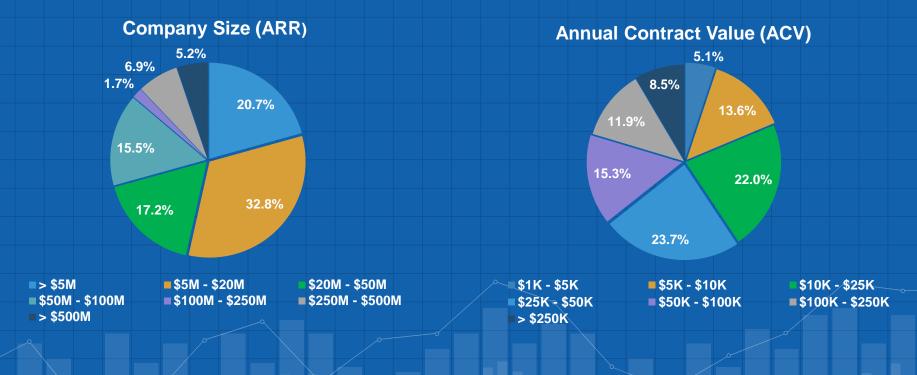
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Sales Development Impact Research - Participant Profile



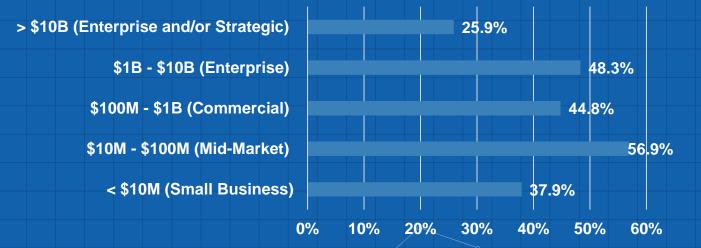
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Target Market(s)

Target Markets - By Size



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Sales Development Reporting Structure

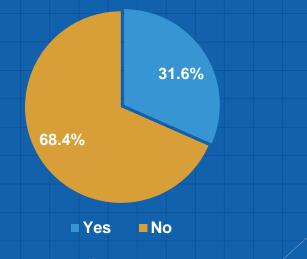
100% 86.0% 90% -80% —— 70% -60% -50% 40% -30% -20% — 8.8% 5.3% 10% — 0% Sales Marketing Other - Write In

SDR Reports to Department

- SDRs reporting to Marketing was most prevalent in \$5K - \$50K ACV range
- This research shows a higher % SDRs reporting to sales than historical data
- With 92%+ of companies having updated messaging and positioning Sales
 Development & Marketing alignment is critical for real time feedback

Confidence in Hitting Plan: By ACV

Outbound vs In-Bound SDR Teams

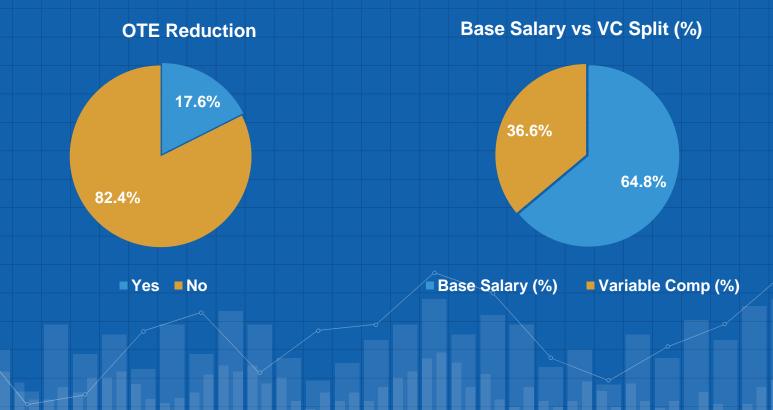


There was no correlation of company size or ACV to having dedicated inbound and outbound SDR teams

In related research it reported that 23.8% of companies had re-allocated inbound leads to AE's in April, 20'

Mapping inbound and outbound lead qualification/development process to customer buying journey is best practice

Sales Development Reps – On-Target-Earnings (OTE)



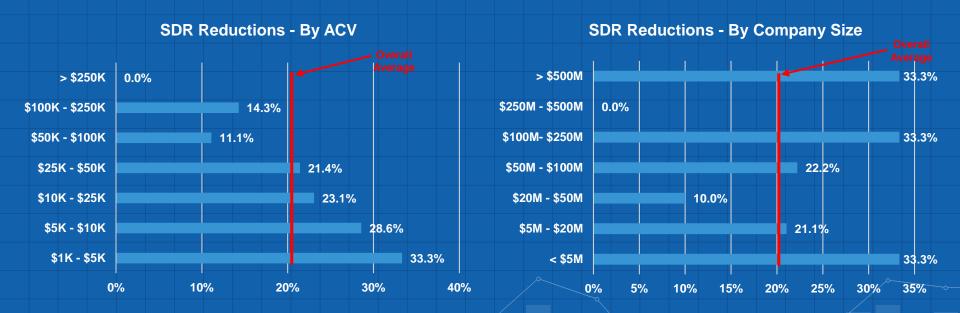


Sales Impact Research – SDR Reductions



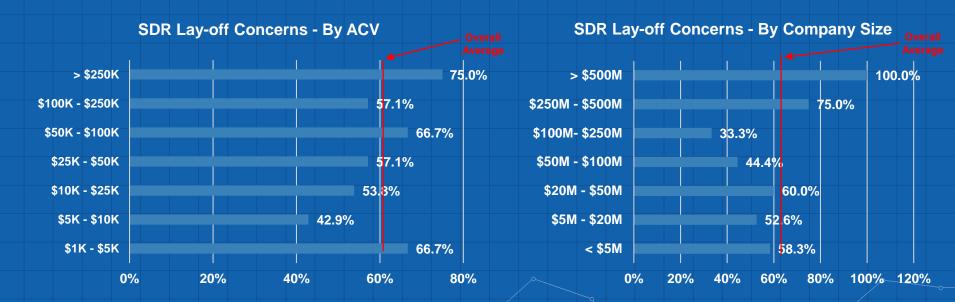
SDR Leadership will need to communicate often and consistently with SDRs to alleviate concerns regarding potential future layoffs

SDR Reductions – By Cohort



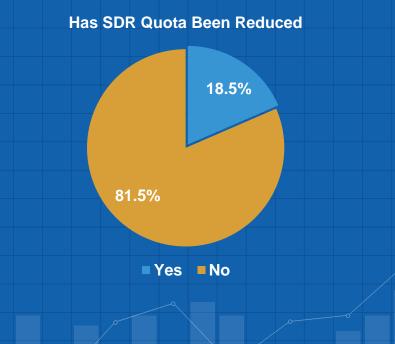
Lower ACV companies will need to quickly determine the measurable ROI of maintaining dedicated SDR versus Inside Sales organizations

SDR Concern Level Future Reductions – By Cohort



Interesting data that SDR's are more concerned regarding future layoffs in larger companies and companies with > \$250K ACV

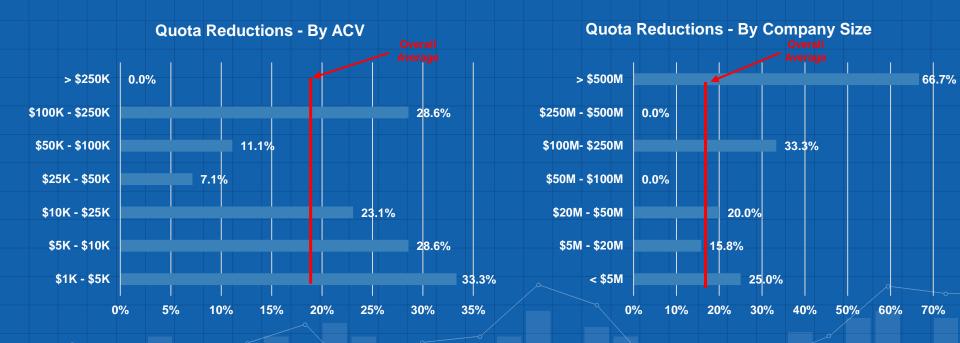
SDR Quota Reductions



- Over 70% of SaaS companies are reporting having already reduced 2020 Revenue Plan but only 18.5% have reduced SDR quota
- Data shows 24.8% have reduced SDR activity goals
- Sales Development organizations should calculate \$ Expense/ \$ ARR delivered to highlight SDR ROI to the company

 SDR measurements need to go beyond meetings and SQL's and move to pipeline created (\$) and Closed-Won ARR

SDR Quota Reductions – By Cohort



SDR Quota Components

SDR Quota Elements

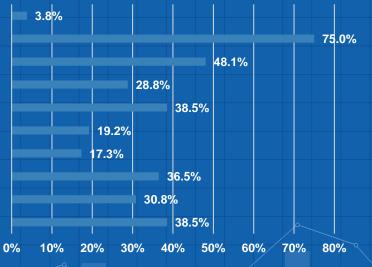
Other - Write In (Required)	5.9%	
ARR - Closed Won (\$)	35.	3%
Pipeline Generated (\$)	37	.3%
Sales Qualified Leads (#)	29.4%	
Sales Accepted Leads (#)	21.6%	
Meetings Scheduled and Conducted (#)		72.5%
	0% 10% 20% 30% 40%	50% 60% 70% 80%

- Linking SDR quota to pipeline generated (\$) and Closed-Won (\$) is prudent during expense sensitive situations
- Meetings Scheduled and Conducted KPI's calculated before April are irrelevant
- Meetings conducted and demos conducted may be false positives as new customer buyer journeys are in play – CFO is much more important today

SDR Activity Impact and Changes

Change in Activity Types & Levels

Other - Write In New/Different Messaging Increased LinkedIn Activity Increased # Daily Dials Increased # Daily emails Increased # of Cadences/Sequences Reduced LinkedIn Activity Reduced # Daily Dials Reduced # Daily emails Reduced # Daily emails



- Updated messaging is reported in 92% of companies – are SDR's fully enabled to communicate updated messaging and value proposition
- Reducing daily dials and emails may lead to a self-fulfilling prophecy of lower SDR performance/KPI's
- Increased LinkedIn activity must also include higher value and relevancy of message

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Have you Changed how Inbound Leads are Managed – Moved from SDR's to AE's



- Inbound Leads being redirected to AE's may impact performance measurements of SDR's
- Need to measure inbound lead to opportunity conversion rate and close rate post lead handling changes
- Account Executives will need to execute a cadence-based follow-up process
- Account Executives will need to follow up quickly for high intent buyers
 - Evaluate how this change could impact marketing metrics, VC and ROI calculations





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Any Questions?

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