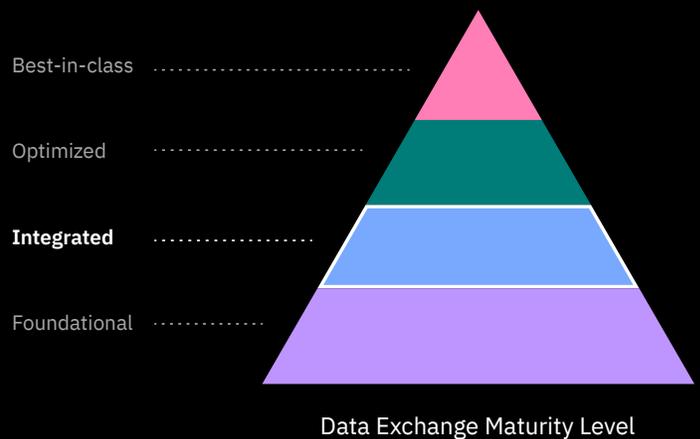# Data Exchange Maturity Assessment
Result in detail

Your result: Integrated level

At this level of maturity your company has automated most of the company-wide data exchanges. One of the biggest challenges for you might be to improve the reliability and visibility of the existing data exchange solution and close out any remaining process gaps in your data exchange strategy.

In order to move to the **Optimized** level of maturity, you can take the following actions:

– **Reliability:** Consider upgrading your data exchange environment to a more modern gateway or a Value Added Network (VAN) to achieve higher levels of availability and responsiveness to ensure your partners and customers can be serviced at all times.

– **Security:** The security of data exchanged across your organizational boundaries is extremely crucial. A failed security audit or a compliance failure can put your brand reputation at risk. Focus on applying DMZ network-based security best practices and improving high availability and disaster recovery capabilities for your enterprise. These enhanced security measures will help protect your company from data breaches and support your regulatory compliance efforts.

– **Efficiency:** Standardizing and consolidating the solutions used in your data exchange environment can lead to a lower Total Cost of Ownership (TCO). Also, consider an analytics dashboard to provide greater visibility to your data movement helping you ensure reduced staff time and resources in identifying, researching & remediating failures, thus leading to higher efficiency.

– **Productivity:** Automate your partner onboarding and management process to limit costly manual errors and increase productivity.

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