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The Enterprise AI Readiness Assessment

A 25-point diagnostic to evaluate whether your organization is ready to scale AI beyond pilots.

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How to Use This Assessment

Score each item 0 (not in place), 1 (partially in place), or 2 (fully in place). A total of 40+ suggests you are ready to scale AI into production. 25-39 means targeted gaps must be closed first. Below 25, focus on foundations before committing significant AI budget.

1. Strategy & Leadership

- A named executive owns AI strategy and outcomes.
- AI initiatives map to specific business KPIs, not experimentation goals.
- There is a prioritized use-case backlog reviewed quarterly.
- Budget is allocated for production operations, not just pilots.
- Leadership can articulate what 'success' means in financial terms.

2. Data Foundations

- Critical business data is accessible without manual extraction.
- Data ownership and stewardship are formally assigned.
- Data quality is measured, with known error rates on key tables.
- Sensitive data is classified and access-controlled.
- BI/reporting environments (Tableau, Power BI, etc.) are trusted by executives.

3. Technology & Architecture

- You have an integration path between AI tools and existing systems.
- LLM usage policy exists (approved vendors, data boundaries).
- You can evaluate RAG vs. fine-tuning trade-offs for your use cases.
- Monitoring and fault-tolerant runbooks exist for automated workflows.
- A sandbox environment lets teams test AI safely.

4. People & Process

- Teams affected by AI workflows have been consulted, not just informed.
- At least one internal champion per function understands the tooling.
- Prompting and AI-output review practices are documented.
- There is a feedback loop from users to the AI owner.
- Training time is budgeted, not assumed.

5. Governance & Value

- Responsible AI guardrails (bias, privacy, review) are written down.

- Every initiative has a value hypothesis with a measurable baseline.
- ROI models (TCO, NPV) are used for build/buy decisions.
- Someone re-measures value 90 days after go-live.
- You know your kill criteria: when to stop an underperforming initiative.

What To Do With Your Score

40-50: You are production-ready. The highest-leverage next step is a prioritized roadmap with quantified business cases per use case.

25-39: Strong foundation with specific gaps. Typical blockers are governance and value measurement - both fixable in 60-90 days with focused effort.

Below 25: Do not start with technology. Start with data foundations and executive alignment. AI on top of unreliable data compounds the problem.

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