

TRADERS MAGAZINE Fragmentation Survey

Of the respondents, 60 percent said their firm's primary business was traditional asset management, 37 percent said hedge fund and 3 percent said pension fund or endowment.

1. Describe your assets under management:

Less than \$3 billion	58%
Between \$3 billion and \$10 billion	15%
Between \$10 billion and \$25 billion	10%
Between \$25 billion and \$100 billion	6%
More than \$100 billion	11%
Total	100%

2. Describe how fragmentation has affected your portfolios' performances:

Has no impact	25%
Has a slight impact	46%
Has an impact	27%
Has a tremendous impact	2%
Total	100%

3. Describe your current attitude towards fragmentation:

It's a big problem	34%
It's a small problem	46%
It's not a problem	20%
Total	100%

4. If aggregation solves fragmentation, which industry player is likely to lead the charge:

Brokerages	34%
Market centers	22%
Technology vendors	39%
Regulators	5%
Total	100%

5. If you believe fragmentation is a problem, describe the best solution:

Use more algorithms, smart-order-routing and DMA	31%
Develop better connectivity (between dark pools and exchanges/ECNs)	49%
More regulation is the answer	5%
Use high-touch sales trading	12%
Use capital	11%
Other, please specify	5%

Survey note:

TRADERS MAGAZINE sent the survey out to 2,200 buy-side traders. Exactly 126 responded, representing a 5.7 percent response rate.