

WHEN IS THE RIGHT TIME TO RETIRE . . .

your IT assets?



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Topics

- ▣ Optimize value of an asset during its life
 - While in use, and when it's time to retire
 - Calculate the best time to retire IT assets

- ▣ Selecting good retirement options
 - Promote organization's values
 - Prevent these assets from becoming a liability
 - Generating a return on your asset investment

Retirement Goals



Happy

- Positive impact
- Enjoyable experience



Healthy

- Lots of uptime
- Productive



Wealthy

- Positive ROI
- Wise - not wasteful

Align Goals



Decrease
TCO

Increase
Usability
and
Impact

**Make
retirement
great**

What goes into the cost of a PC?



- ▣ Total Cost of Ownership is a method for the systematic accounting of all costs (direct & indirect) related to IT investments
- ▣ The initial purchase price is relatively small part of total cost or owning and operating IT products.
 - “Locked and Well-Managed Desktop”: \$3,310 TCO
 - ▣ 27% hardware/software, 72% operations, 1% disposal (Gartner, 2010)

Examples of Costs

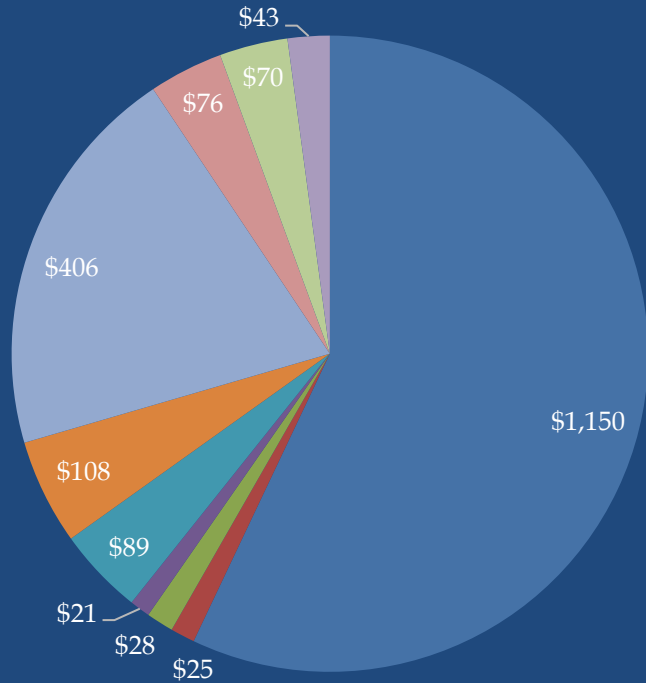


| Life cycle | Costs |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Acquisition & Procurement | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hardware purchase or lease, including all accessories• Software licenses• Admin costs (bid specs, contracts, tracking purchases, delivery, installation) |
| Operations & Maintenance | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• IT and personnel training• IT support such as network and software management, help desk• Internet, energy, furniture and floor space costs• Software & hardware upgrades & related staff downtime |
| Disposition costs | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Admin costs (asset management, inventory tracking, contract services)• Sanitizing data• Storing, shipping and disposition costs |

Laptop TCO, 4 year refresh cycle



TCO = \$2,016

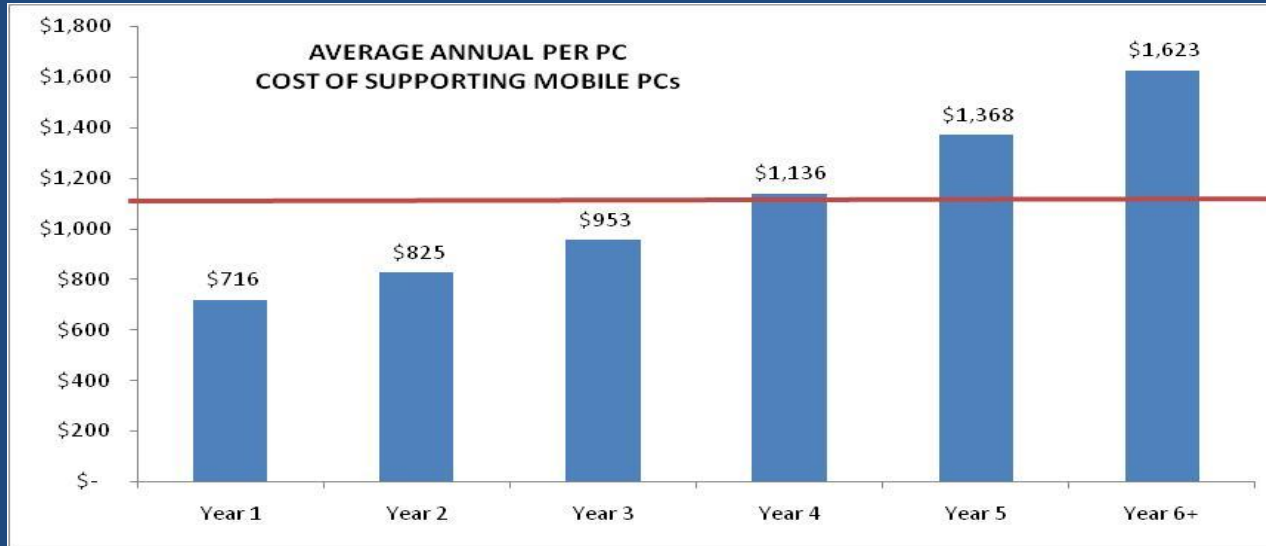


- Acquisition Cost
- Training
- PC Engineering
- PC Deployment
- Software and Patch Deployment
- Help Desk
- Deskside Support
- Out of Warranty Repair
- Additional Upgrades & Peripherals
- Retrieval and Disposal Costs

"Using TCO to Determine PC Upgrade Cycles,"
Mahvi & Zarfaty, 2009



PC support costs grow every year



Mobile PCs in Year 4 experience a 59% increase over year 1 support costs

Cost Drivers

Updating PCs

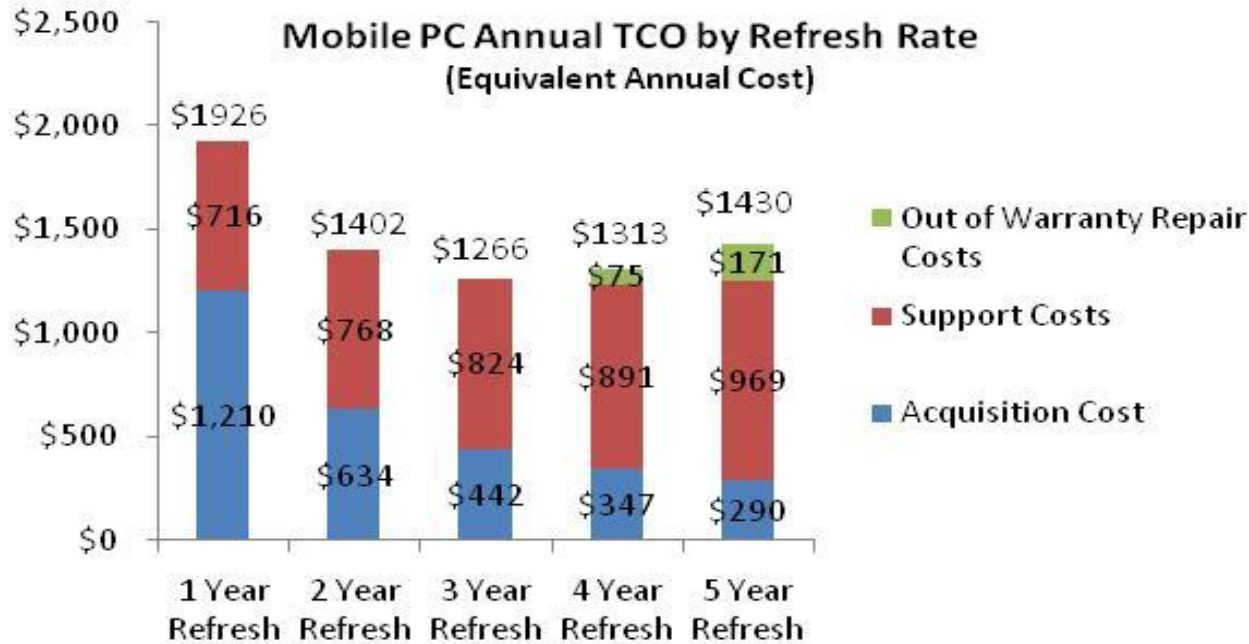
PC Diagnosis and Repair

Isolate and Recover Infected PCs

Hard Disk Failures

Source: Wipro Consulting Product Strategy and Architecture Practice primary research with 100 US and European companies, March 2009

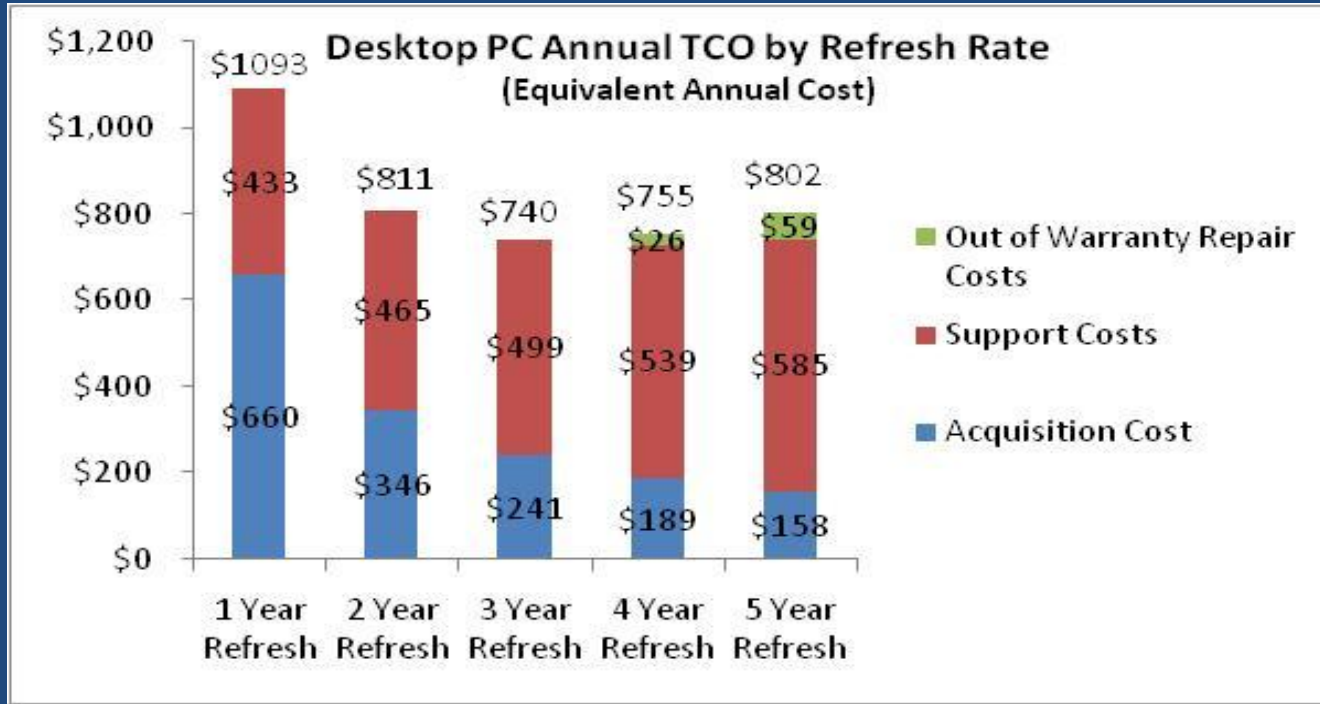
3 year is optimal refresh for laptops



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Desktops also best at 3 year refresh



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Smart phones and tablets



Upfront and contract costs of smart phones –

subsidized by contract subscription

Does not include support costs!

| iPhone 6S, 64GB | AT&T | Verizon | Unlocked |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Upfront cost of phone | \$225 | \$0.00 | \$749 |
| Phone installment costs (over 2 years) | \$450 | \$750 | \$0.00 |
| Activation fee | \$45 | \$0.00 | \$20 (SIMcard) |
| Monthly smartphone access charges (over 2 years) | \$960 | \$480 | \$480 |
| 2 year contract costs (15/18GB data, unlimited talk/text) | \$2,400 | \$2,400 | \$1,920 |
| Total 2 year costs | \$4,080 | \$3,630 | \$3,169 |



TCO of smartphones

- ▣ 43% of annual costs are related to “HR issues”
 - Mobile device management policy & training
 - Help desk assistance
 - Security management
- ▣ \$1,913.90 Equivalent Annual Cost
 - Hardware = \$252.10 (13%)
 - Carrier charges = \$840.00 (44%)
 - Human resource costs = \$821.80 (43%)

Source: Gartner, Total Cost of Ownership of Mobile Devices: 2012 Update



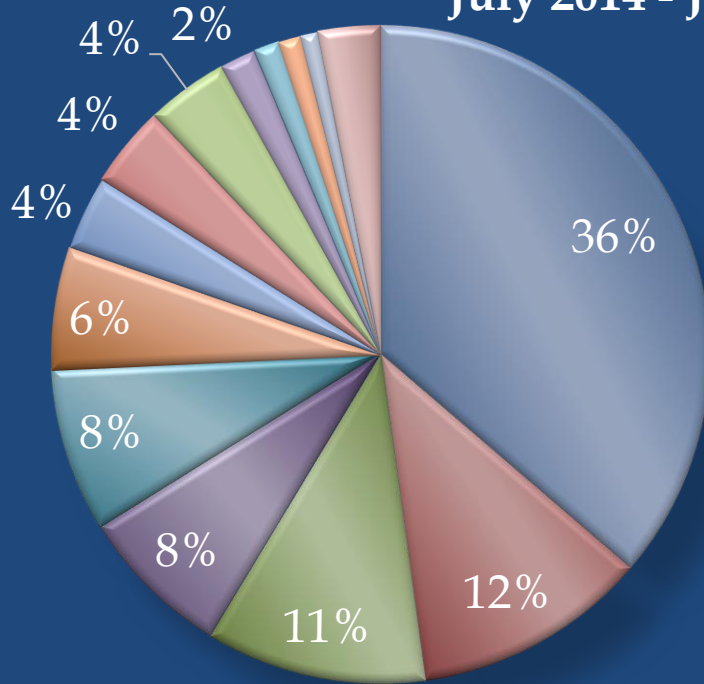
What are the values of retired IT assets?

- ▣ Cascade sales reviewed: Q1, 2013 – Q3, 2015
- ▣ Desktops, Laptops, Smart Phones
 - Tested to perform to manufacturer specs
 - Some cosmetic cleaning and repair
 - No Operation Systems (or restored to factory settings)
- ▣ >74,000 desktops and >34,000 laptops sold
 - ▣ Processor Architecture (dual core, i3, i5, i7, Xeon)
 - ▣ Smartphone model and capacity

Cascade Customer breakdown

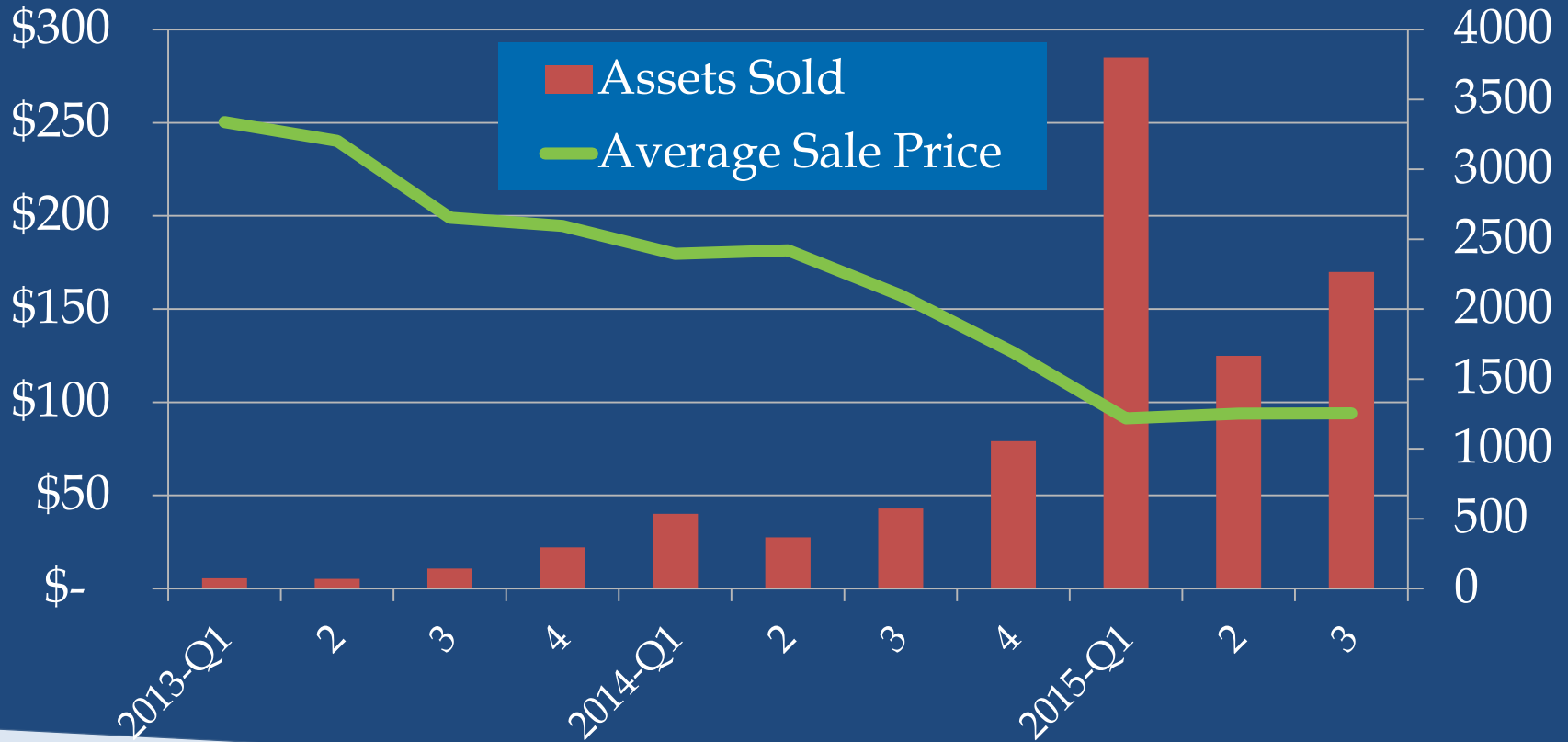


July 2014 - June 2015, Service Usage

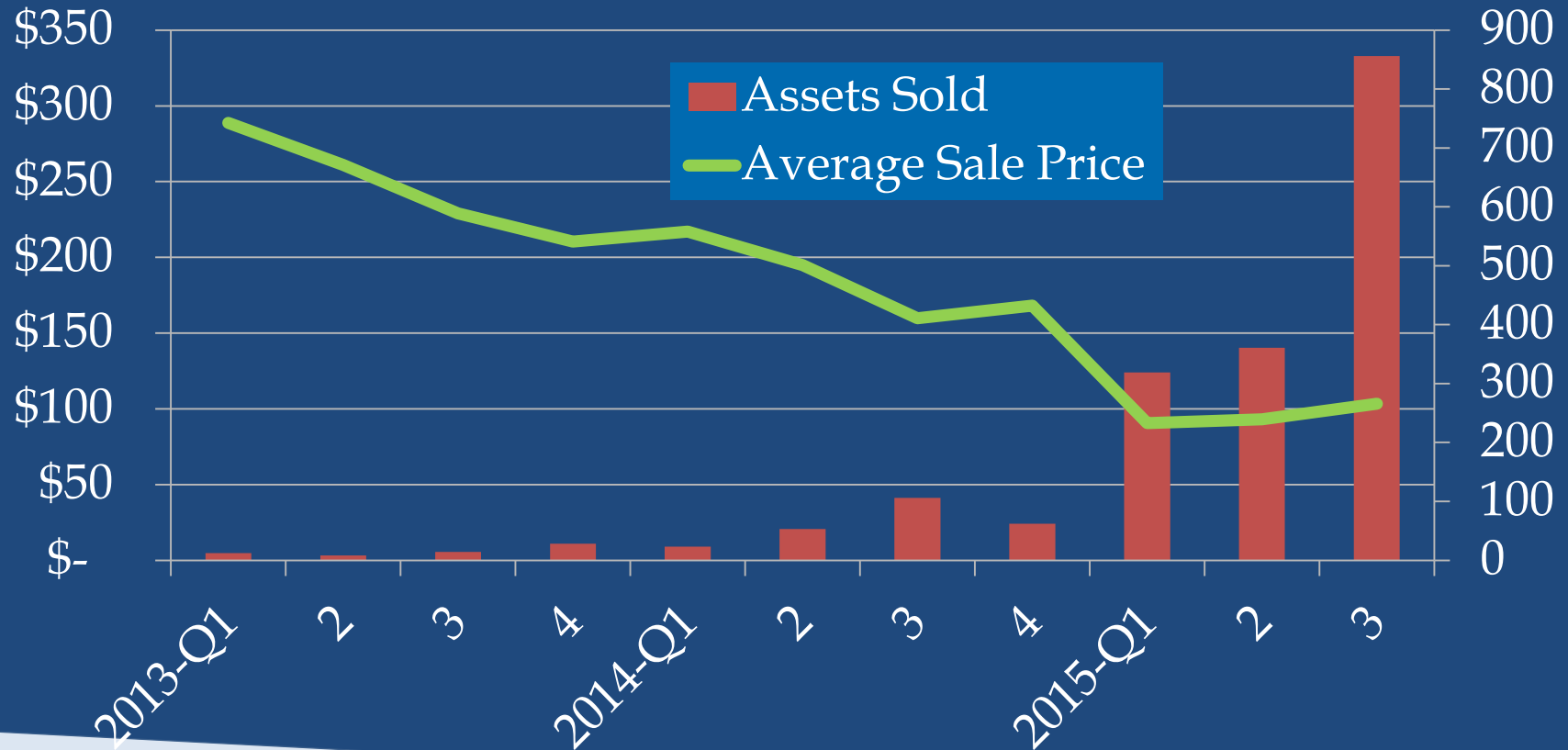


- Healthcare
- Finance
- Manufacturing
- Government
- Technology
- Insurance
- VAR
- Services
- Transportation
- Educational

Resale Values from **Laptops** with i5 Processors

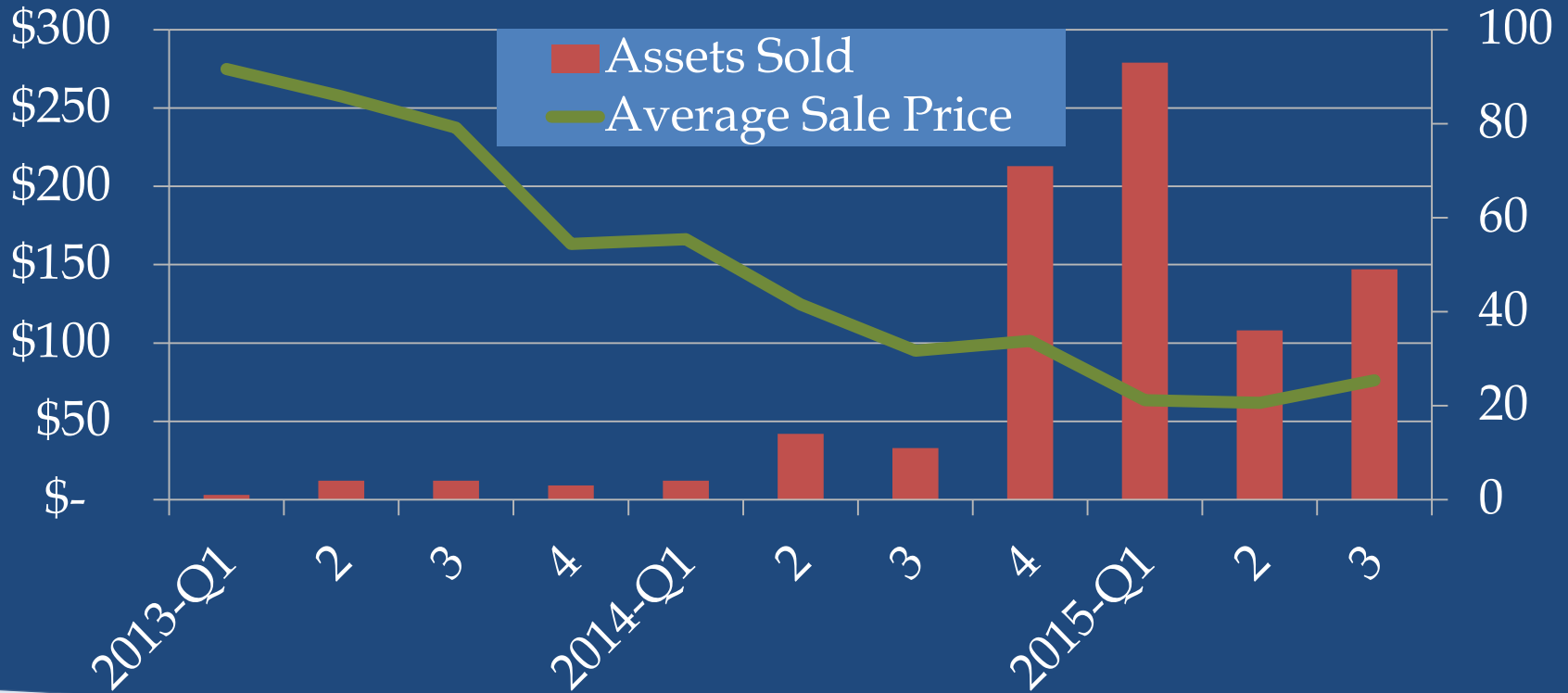


Resale Values from **Desktops** with i5 Processors



Resale Values of iPhone 4S (16GB)

Initially released
September 2011
for \$649



How do these values compare?



Archives historical pricing on Amazon and eBay. Track sell through rates and final selling prices (not just listing prices.)



Prices from nationwide surveys of dealers of used products. Only consider items sold within 30 days of listing. Grade product as “Used Retail” (*what it sells for at a shop*) and “Trade in Mint/Average” (*what you would sell the item for at a pawn store.*)



Product Research

Bulk Research

Beta

Saved Searches

Competitor Research

Category Research

Hot Research

Title Builder

eBay.com

8540w

GO

2014-05-02 - 2014-07-30

eBay.com (3,065)

All Categories

Enter Category ID:

Go

Show Product

Clear Filters

Pin Panel

Apply Filters

Filters

Views



Actions



Product Listings

\$75.79
Avg. Price

\$11.16
Avg. Shipping

\$86.94
Start Price

3,065
Listings

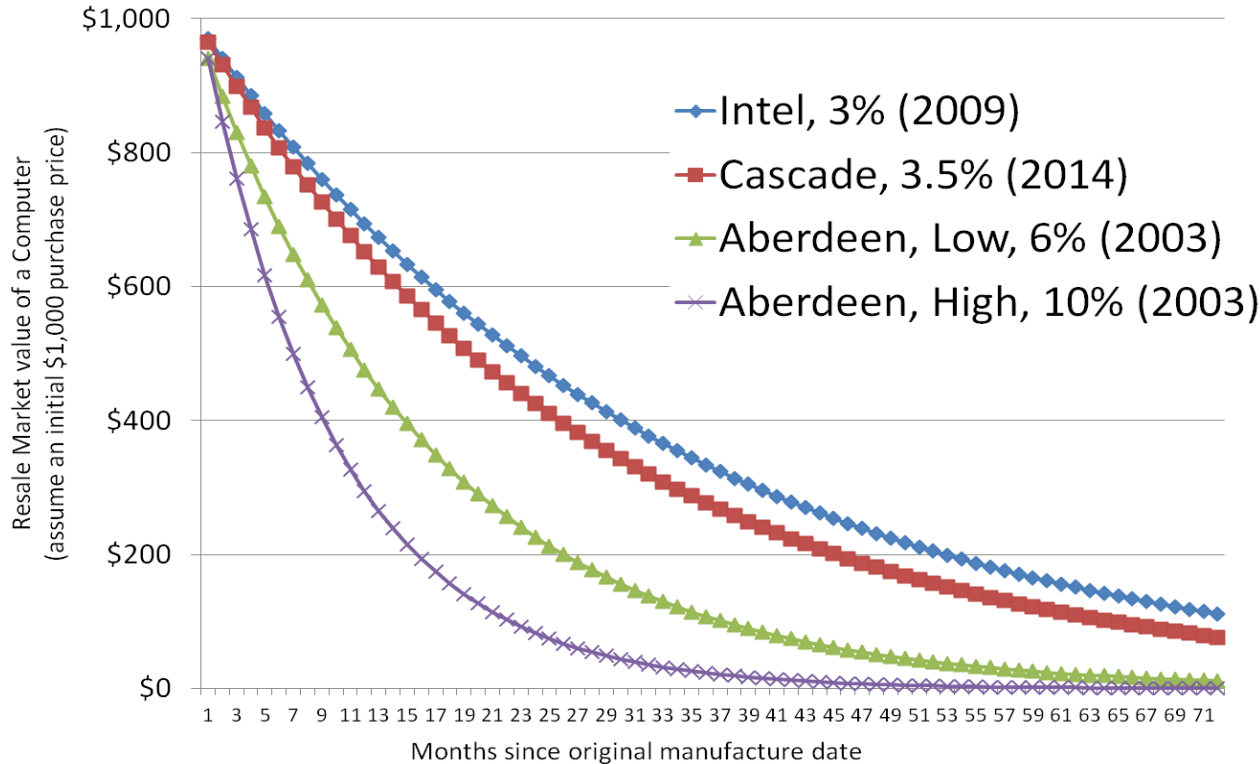
24.54%
Sell-Through

| Item Title | Sold | Format | Start Price | End Price | Bids | End Date |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|-----------|------|------------|
|  HP EliteBook 8540w 15" Laptop i7 1st Gen. Quad Core RAM 4GB HDD 250GB Nvidia Win | Yes |  | \$405.00 | \$405.00 | 1 | 2014-07-30 |
|  HP Elitebook 8540w 15" Laptop Core i7-720qm 1.6ghz 16GB 500GB DVD/CD Drive | Yes |  | \$400.00 | \$400.00 | 1 | 2014-07-30 |
|  15.6" WorkStation*HP EliteBook 8540w+Core i7+320G+Fingerprint+Webcam+1GB Vid Mem | Yes | Bid | \$0.01 | \$353.00 | 46 | 2014-07-30 |
|  HP EliteBook 8540W - MobileWorkstation | Yes | Bid | \$150.00 | \$334.20 | 13 | 2014-07-30 |

Cascade “sells” at retail price and “rebates” clients at trade-in price (generally)



Changing depreciation rates



2015 Cascade rates:

Desktops: 3.4%

Laptops: 2.9%

iPhones: 3.8%

Making Resale Data Useful in Forecasting



How can we predict what future values will be for equipment we try to resell?



TCO modeling tool



Upfront Costs

- Hardware/Software
- Training
- PC Engineering (Build)
- Software and Patch Deployment

Retirement Activities

- Retrieval and Decommissioning Costs
- Disposition Costs (Logistics)
- Recovery Revenue

Other Variables

- Refresh Cycle
- Labor Cost Adjustments over time
- Asset Depreciation Rates
- Warranty Periods

Ongoing Maintenance Costs

- Help Desk Support
- Desk Side Support
- Out of Warranty Repairs (if necessary)
- IT Asset Management





Consistent refresh = lower ITAM costs

- ▣ By retiring equipment on a consistent basis
 - Reduce storage costs
 - Reduce maintenance costs from supporting old and broken technology
 - Reduce compliance costs
 - Reduce personal property taxes
 - Stop subscription charges
- ▣ Reduce your costs and keep resale values consistent

Other benefits of a planned retirement program

- Promote organization's values
- Prevent these assets from becoming a liability
- Generating a return on your asset investment





Asset retirement that benefits an organization

- ✓ Support sustainability goals (reuse and recycle)
- ✓ Donate to charitable organizations
- ✓ Repurpose or redeploy within the organization
- ✓ Turn IT into a revenue generator
- ✓ Responsible use of stakeholder assets

Liabilities from bad retirement



Guiyu China, 2013 (BAN photo)

Domestic recycling is not always responsible, either



U.S. firms (AZ, CO, MD, OH, PA) abandoned more than 25,500 tons of leaded CRT glass in 2013 - 2014.



Problems in our own backyard



Onconto County, WI

Photo by WI DNR
Sep 2014



Security concerns from bad disposal



- ❑ Coca-Cola, 2014: an employee tasked with dealing with computers coming out of service stole laptops containing records for 74,000 current and former employees.
- ❑ "Disposal issues resulted in more than 5% of the data security incidents, globally. When combined with theft/physical loss, which frequently happens when decommissioned equipment is stockpiled at various company locations, disposal/physical loss issues account for more than 20% of data security incidents." *Verizon 2014 Data Breach Investigations Report*

See more stories at <http://cascade-assets.com/datasecurity.html>

Accounting for good retirement



- ▣ Know where your equipment is going – be sure it is managed by a responsible processor

- ▣ Asset disposition reporting is key – track what happens to your assets
 - Ensures accountable data destruction and disposition
 - Helps provide feedback on your ITAM program



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