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Legacy database systems are a standard for enterprise IT infrastructure. But as industry leading businesses accelerate cloud native transformation, these legacy technologies can turn into costly and innovation-halting roadblocks that hinder the modernization of applications. Organizations are aware of the benefits for moving legacy, on-premises databases and applications into cloud native infrastructure and services, such as:

- Reduce Total Cost of Ownership (TCO)

- Eliminate expensive commercial software licenses

- Improve database availability, scalability, security, and performance

- Position applications to leverage business-transforming AI, ML and analytics capabilities

Despite an understanding of the benefits—the lack of a confident first-step and actionable transformation roadmap pushes leaders to begrudgingly accept the status quo rather than invest time and resources for modernizing databases and transforming applications.



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