

Survey Background

Each year, Cerulli releases approximately **50 surveys** on asset management and distribution trends in the financial services industry around the globe.

These surveys range from 5 to 25 questions that vary from **quantitative** (*What are your firm's total assets in mutual fund advisory programs?*) to **qualitative** (*What products do you think will be successful in 2012?*). Many survey initiatives also offer the opportunity to participate in a 30-minute research discussion with the analyst.

Who can participate?

Generally, participants are in a strategy role at their firm. Firm tend to include:

- U.S. and Global Retail Asset Managers
- U.S. and Global Institutional Asset Managers
- Distributors/ Brokers/Dealers
- Insurance Firms
- Investment Consultants
- Third-Party Administrators
- Financial Advisors
- Third-Party Vendors

Benefits of Participating

Participation benefits vary depending on the topic and length of the survey.

- **Custom Benchmarking:** Within a few weeks after the survey closes, you will receive a [report](#) highlighting your firm's responses relative to the survey universe. This analysis is useful for strategic planning and decision-making.
- **Key Findings:** All research call participants and many survey participants will receive complimentary [key findings](#) from the research initiative. These often include approximately 10 exhibits with aggregate survey responses including explanations and key implications. Findings vary from survey to survey.
- **Complimentary Research:** Participants may receive research relevant to the survey topic immediately upon completion of the survey.
- **Access to Cerulli Analysts:** All research participants enjoy direct access to Cerulli analysts to discuss the research findings.

How will Cerulli use your data?

All survey responses are aggregated to protect the anonymity of specific firms and respondents. Survey data is used across [Cerulli publications](#).

What topics are covered by Cerulli surveys?

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| • Retail Asset Management | • Managed Accounts | • Global |
| • Institutional Asset Management | • Retirement | • International |
| • Insurance and Annuities | • Retail Investor | - Asia |
| • Intermediary | • High Net Worth | - Europe |

How can my firm participate?

There are 3 ways you can participate in Cerulli surveys:

- 1. Web:** You can find an electronic form on our website at: <http://clients.cerulli.com/tiny/5zzs>.
- 2. Fax:** Indicate the surveys of interest on the form on page 2 and fax to: (617) 437-1268.
- 3. Contact Us:** Contact our Research Relationship Manager for assistance in survey participation:

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Electronically

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Fax back

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Contact Us

- Learn more about a particular survey

- Coordinate surveys for your firm

- Questions?

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I would like to be the primary survey contact for my firm. Please contact me directly when surveys are available.

Survey	Distribution	Target Participants
Asset Management—Institutional Surveys		
<input type="checkbox"/> Collective Trust Fund	1Q	Asset managers/Trust companies
<input type="checkbox"/> Institutional Asset Managers	2Q	Asset managers
<input type="checkbox"/> Institutional Investor	2Q	Institutional investors
<input type="checkbox"/> Institutional Product Development	2Q	Asset managers
<input type="checkbox"/> Investment Consultant	2Q	Investment consultants
<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Subadvisory Marketplace - Inst'l	3Q	Asset managers
Asset Management—Retail Surveys		
<input type="checkbox"/> Alternative Investments	1Q	Asset managers
<input type="checkbox"/> Closed-End Funds	1Q	Asset managers
<input type="checkbox"/> Retail Asset Managers	2Q	Asset managers
<input type="checkbox"/> Retail Products and Strategies	2Q	Asset managers
<input type="checkbox"/> Target-date Funds	2Q	Asset managers
<input type="checkbox"/> Product Innovation: Securing Shelf Space	3Q	Asset managers
<input type="checkbox"/> Retail Marketing Organizations	3Q	Asset managers
<input type="checkbox"/> Retail Sales Organizations	3Q	Asset managers
<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Subadvisory Marketplace - Retail (2)	3Q	Asset managers/Sponsors
<input type="checkbox"/> Exchange-Traded Funds	4Q	ETF providers
<input type="checkbox"/> Retail Structured Products	4Q	Asset managers
<input type="checkbox"/> RFP	4Q	Asset managers
<input type="checkbox"/> Social Media	TBD	Asset managers
Intermediary Surveys		
<input type="checkbox"/> Bank Trust - for Asset Managers (2)	1Q	Asset managers/Bank trust departments
<input type="checkbox"/> HNW Asset Manager Survey	2Q	Asset managers
<input type="checkbox"/> National Sales Managers	2Q	National sales managers/Heads of distribution
<input type="checkbox"/> High-Net-Worth Provider	3Q	HNW providers
<input type="checkbox"/> Financial Advisors	Quarterly	Financial advisors
<input type="checkbox"/> RIA Custodian Survey	Quarterly	RIA custodians
Investor Surveys		
<input type="checkbox"/> Affluent Investor	3Q	B/D home offices
<input type="checkbox"/> Retail Direct-to-Consumer	3Q	Retail direct firms
Managed Accounts Surveys		
<input type="checkbox"/> ETF Advisory Programs	Quarterly	Program sponsors
<input type="checkbox"/> Managed Account Groups	Quarterly	Program sponsors
<input type="checkbox"/> Mutual Fund Advisory Programs	Quarterly	Program sponsors
<input type="checkbox"/> Proprietary Separate Account Asset Managers	Quarterly	Asset managers
<input type="checkbox"/> Rep-as-Advisor Programs	Quarterly	Program sponsors
<input type="checkbox"/> Rep-as-Portfolio-Manager Programs	Quarterly	Program sponsors
<input type="checkbox"/> Separate Account Consultant Programs	Quarterly	Asset managers
<input type="checkbox"/> Sponsor Separate Account Consultant Programs	Quarterly	Program sponsors
<input type="checkbox"/> Third-Party Managed Account Providers	Quarterly	Third-party providers
<input type="checkbox"/> Unified Managed Accounts	Quarterly	Program sponsors
Retirement Surveys		
<input type="checkbox"/> 403(b)	1Q	DC providers
<input type="checkbox"/> Retirement Third-Party Administrators	1Q	TPAs
<input type="checkbox"/> Variable Annuity Issuers	1Q	Insurance companies
<input type="checkbox"/> Variable Annuity Subadvisory	1Q	Asset managers
<input type="checkbox"/> DCIO	2Q	Retail and Institutional asset managers
<input type="checkbox"/> Retirement Plan Distribution Dynamics	2Q	DC providers
<input type="checkbox"/> State of Large and Mega Retirement Plans	2Q	DC providers
<input type="checkbox"/> Retirement Income	3Q	Insurance/IRA providers
<input type="checkbox"/> DC Markets	Quarterly	DC providers
<input type="checkbox"/> Retail IRA	Quarterly	IRA providers
International Surveys		
<input type="checkbox"/> Global Asset Managers	1Q	Asset managers
<input type="checkbox"/> Southeast Asian Asset Managers	1Q	Asset managers
<input type="checkbox"/> Asian Institutional Asset Managers	3Q	Asset managers
<input type="checkbox"/> Asian Retail Asset Managers	3Q	Asset managers
European Surveys		
<input type="checkbox"/> European Distribution Dynamics	1Q	B/Ds
<input type="checkbox"/> European DC	3Q	DC providers