Enterprise Connect 2022 Cage Match! Highlights

Webex: Competitive Position and Differentiation



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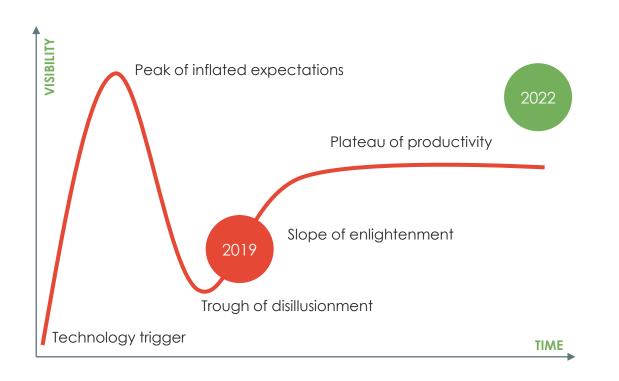
About This Ebook

Each year Brent Kelly and Phil Edholm deliver a highly attended UCaaS vendor assessment at the Enterprise Connect industry conference This ebook presents
highlights of the 2022
assessment and Cisco's
Webex key strengths and
differentiators

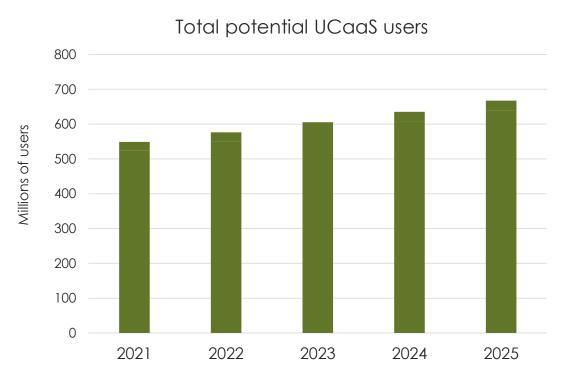
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The UCaaS Market is Maturing

Market evolution



Huge addressable base



Source: Crossing the Chasm | Geoffrey Moore, Chasm Group, LLC

Source: PKE Consulting and Omdia Analysis

The Vendors We Evaluated









45M cloud seats

40M on-premise IP PBX seats

216M paying Teams subscribers/monthly active users

Number of active UCaaS/telephony users unknown

5-6M UCaaS seats

Primarily telephony focused

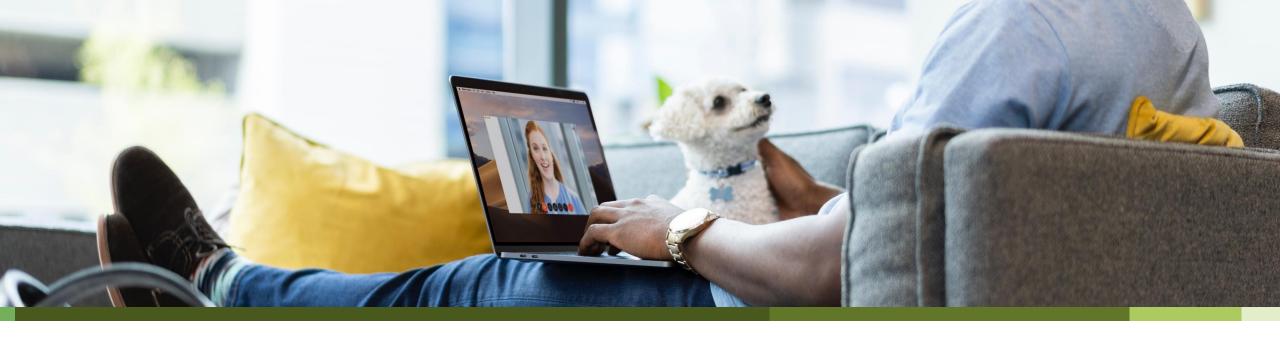
Video offer recent

32M total seats

12M in use for our defined meetings

Primarily meetings focused

These companies are positioned to be long term leaders in the UCaaS market



Webex Strategy and Differentiation

Webex is "the Apple" in this Market

Being the software and hardware integrator is different

Optimized experience

Integrated delivery

In-house application and devices

Improved functionality and ease of use

Advanced capabilities driven by deep integration

Lower overall costs and better outcomes

Better management and operations

Includes both edge devices and the network



Strategy Similarities

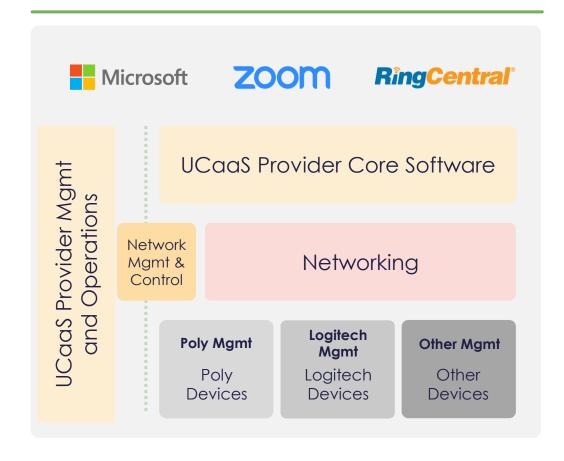


The Webex Platform Advantage

Single integrated platform



Complexity is exponential



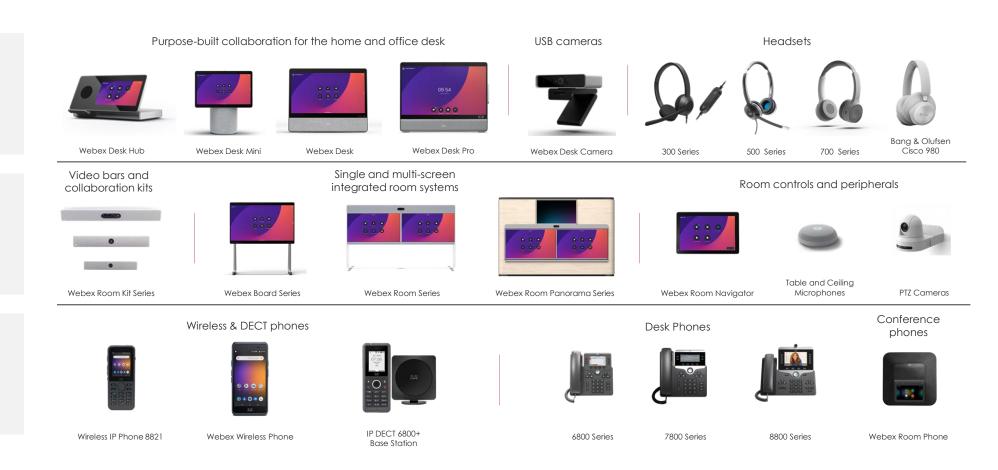
Webex Devices

Desk & hybrid

devices

Room devices

Phones & frontline devices



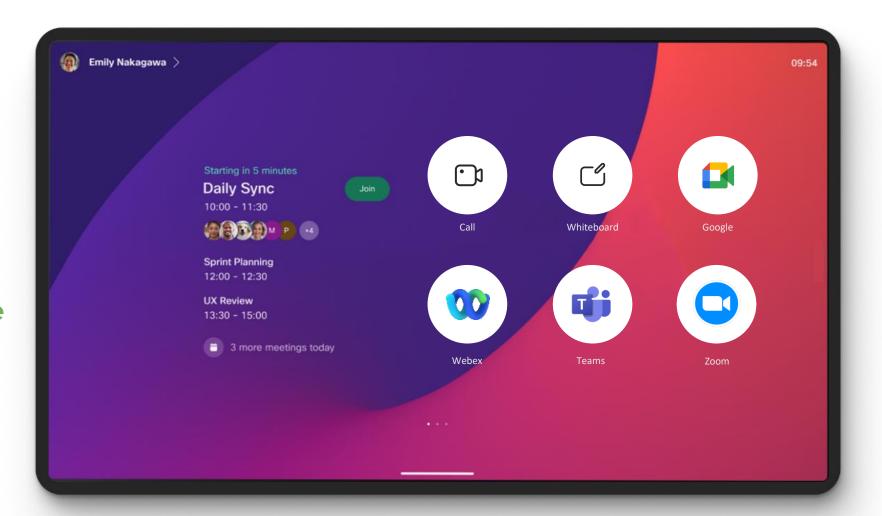
Onsistent experience across devices and meeting spaces

Leadership integrating video hardware with sensors and networks

Advanced capabilities integrating room intelligence with core UCaaS functions

Webex Device Interoperability

Webex endpoints can join meetings hosted in Microsoft Teams, Zoom Video, and Google Meet



Webex Meetings: People Focus

Before



All Webex devices support people focus

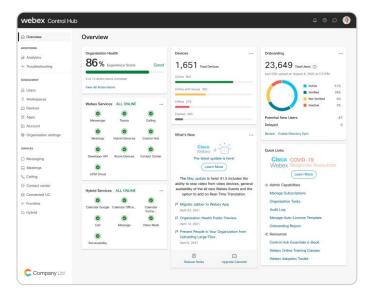
After: equalized participant view



 Key for hybrid meetings equity and productivity

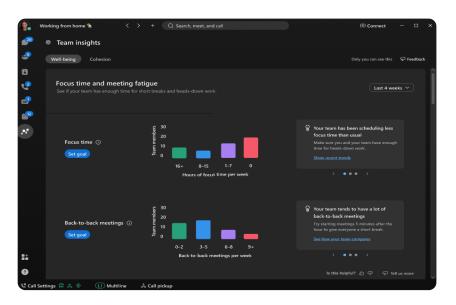
Webex Management

Control hub



One place for management

People insights



Collaboration analytics and insights

Strong Webex IT capabilities deliver complete integrated management

Webex Collaboration Al

Webex Assistant

→ Highlights

- Meeting transcript/ recording
- (-) Take an action item
- Closed captioning

→ Take a note

Voice commands

Voice recognition and intelligence

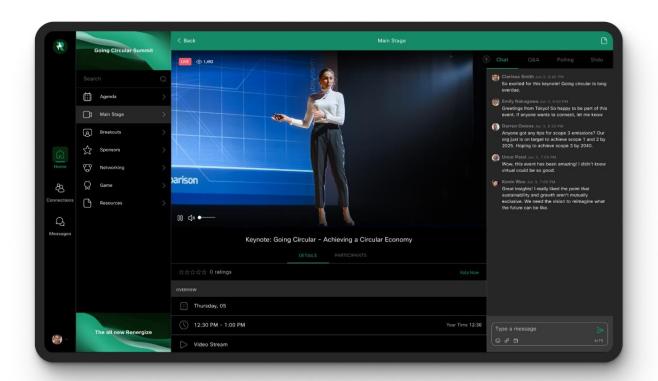
Simultaneous translation



13 base languages to over 100 languages

→ Extensive AI capabilities optimized for real-time collaboration

Webex Events



In-Person, remote, or hybrid

Extensive analytics

Slido audience engagement

Included in Webex at no additional charge

- Current gold standard for complete large event functionality
- Events are critical for employee and customer engagement in the new hybrid work world

Audio Intelligence Across Webex Portfolio

Noise cancellation

Background noise removal

Optimize for my voice

Focuses on the speaker's voice only

Optimize for all voices

Equalizes group meeting voices



Reduces connection noise



Al based identification and removal

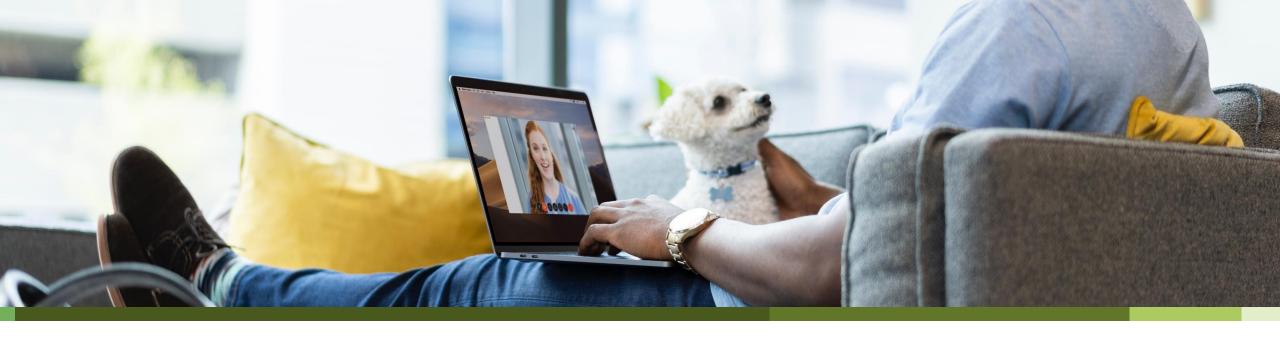


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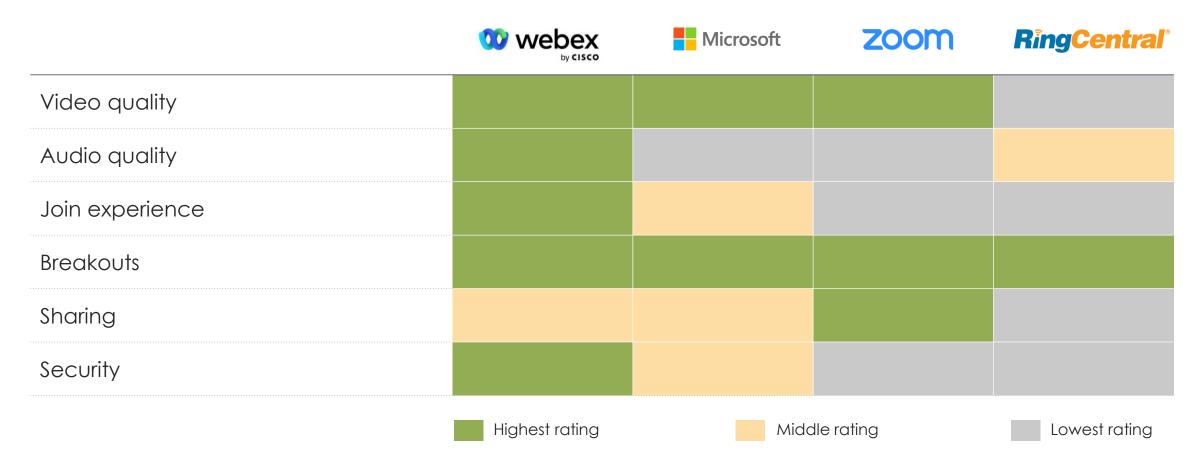
Equalizes group meeting voices

Advanced audio capabilities available across both devices and application



Product Comparisons

Meetings Functionality Comparison



Webex leads or co-leads in most meeting evaluation criteria

Telephony Offer Comparison









Great features

Most countries – 86

DID inbound

Integrated management

On-premises solutions

Good offer

Fewer countries

Premises solution

Partner options

Good offer

2nd most countries

Low-cost point

Most features

Regulated carrier, does not enable other PSTN services

Telephony management

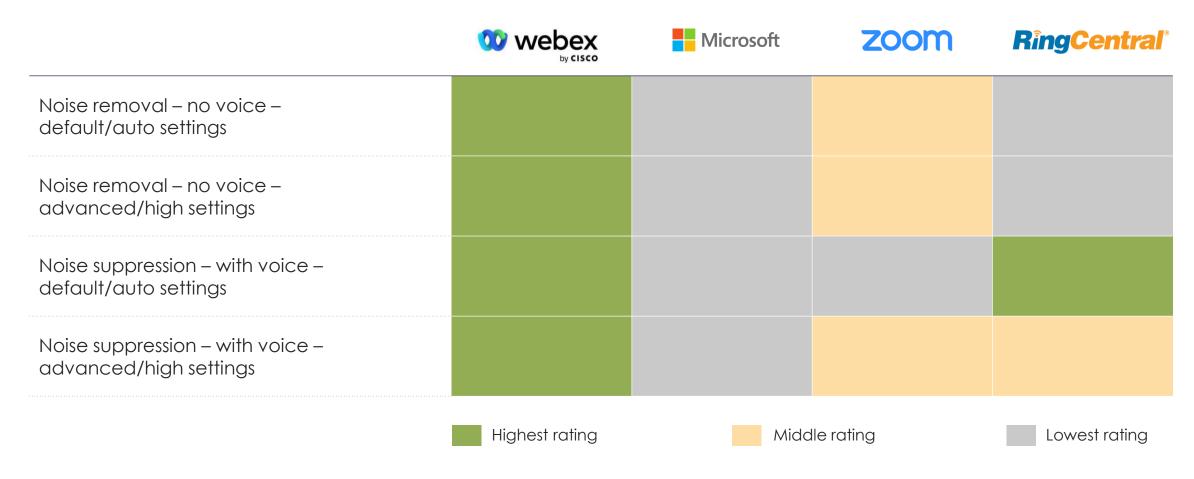
Cisco experience in premises to cloud migration is a significant advantage

Events Comparison

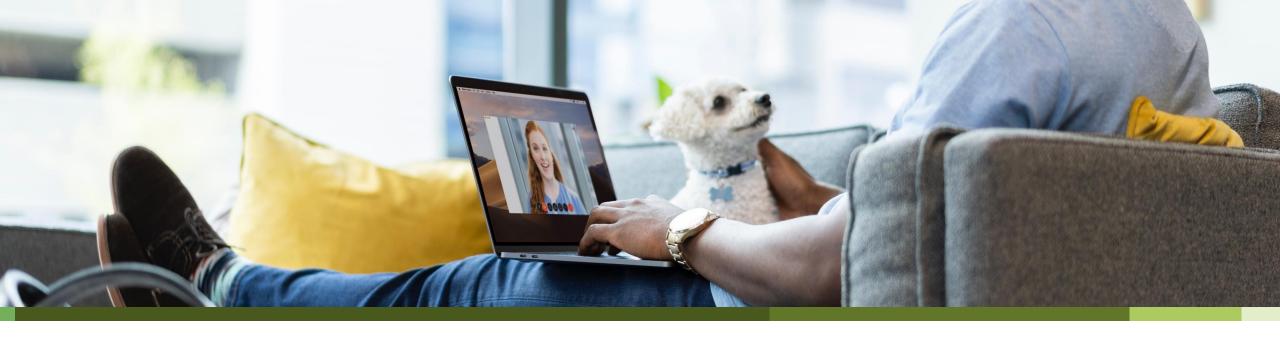
	webex	Microsoft	zoom	RingCentral ®
Internal corporate events	5000 participants 100K option	1000 participants	10,000 participants Added cost	10,000 participants 3rd party registration / analytics
Internal team events	5000 participants Included in suite	1,000 participants Included in suite Integrated with office	Added license cost	Basic service Cost TBD
External events	The gold standard for large/complex events	Limited capabilities	Recent major enhancements Event mobility White labeling Consumer familiarity	No event capabilities
	Highest Rating	Mid	dle Rating	Lowest Rating

Webex leads in all events evaluation criteria

Noise Removal Comparison



Demonstrated Webex leadership in AI for Noise removal and reduction

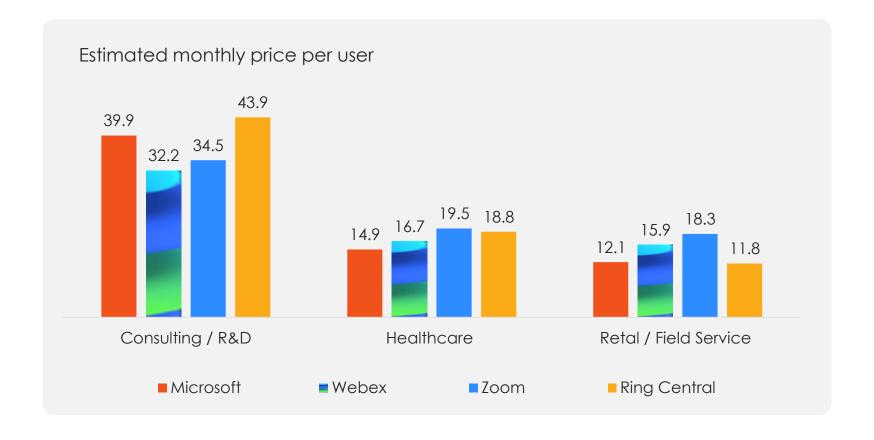


Pricing Comparisons

Typical Use-Case Pricing

Overall variation is less than \$150 per year per employee – benefits dramatically outweigh differences

RingCentral includes PSTN, Cisco and Zoom skewed by disproportionate frontline cost



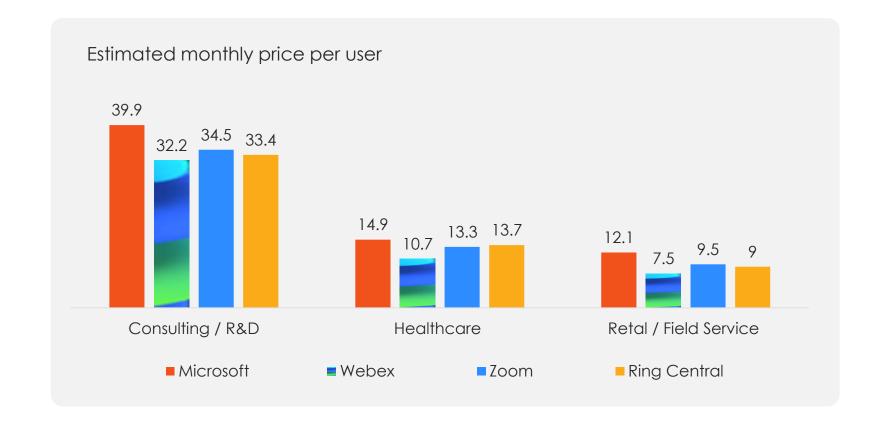
→ Highly competitive Webex pricing

Adjusted Use-Case Pricing

Pricing including adjustments for competitive in-market deals

Assumes a reduced RingCentral cost without included PSTN access

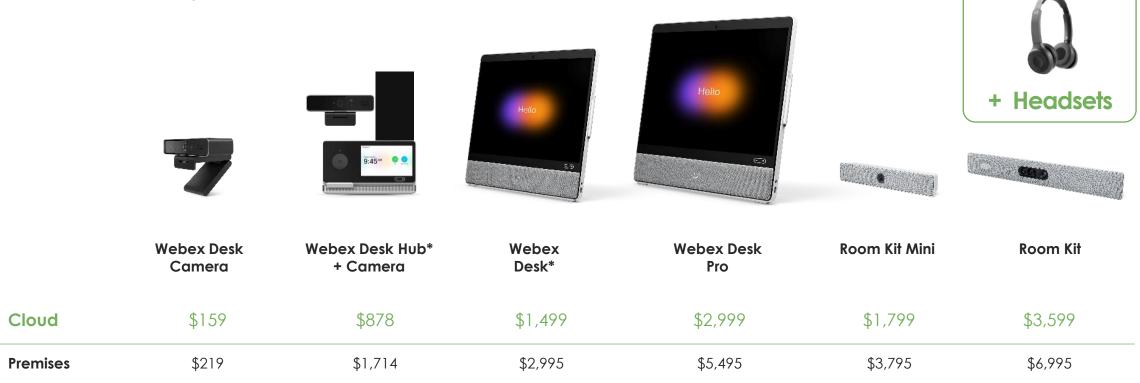
Assumes a lower cost Frontline offer from Cisco and Zoom



Webex price leadership after component adjustment

Webex Device Cloud Promotion

More accessible, more affordable



Prices shown are Cisco suggested resell price | Cloud – customers with company wide Cloud Meeting subscriptions (Webex Suite EA or Meetings AU, EA)

Webex cloud device pricing is highly competitive compared to all eco-system vendors

Our Overall Assessment

 Webex is the overall leader when both meetings and telephony capabilities are considered



About Us



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Phil Edholm is a recognized UC industry leader and visionary. In 2007, he was recognized by Frost and Sullivan with a Lifetime Achievement Award for Growth, innovation and leadership in telecommunications for an essential role in creating the VoIP industry. He was a leader in the market adoption of webRTC, the technology underlying much of today's UCaaS industry. Phil has 18 granted US patents and holds a BSME/EE from Kettering University.

Since 2012, Phil has been an Analyst/Consultant in the communications and collaboration industry. He regularly consults to large end users and UCaaS vendors to assist in their planning and analysis of the market. As part of the PKE Consulting analysis practice, Phil has been focused on the major vendors, providing a highly anticipated yearly assessment at the Enterprise Connect Industry conference. Based on extensive research, this analysis has been delivered in partnership with Brent Kelly since 2013.

