



# CONTAINER NATIVE STORAGE

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# AGENDA

- Storage Is Changing
- Red Hat Storage Overview
- Storage for Containers
- What Users Say
- Red Hats Stack
- Container Native Storage

# STORAGE IS CHANGING

# THE INDUSTRY IS RETHINKING STORAGE



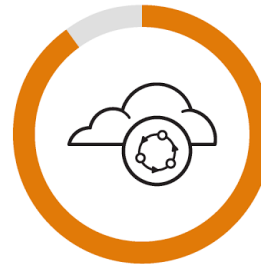
**38%**

of IT decision makers report ***inadequate storage capabilities*** as one of their top three weekly pain points



**70%**

of IT decision makers admit that their organization's current storage ***can't cope with emerging workloads***



**98%**

of IT decision makers believe ***a more agile storage solution could benefit their organization***

# STORAGE NEEDS VARY

Not All Storage Workloads Come In The Same Size and Shape



Platforms like OpenStack  
and OpenShift  
are unpredictable

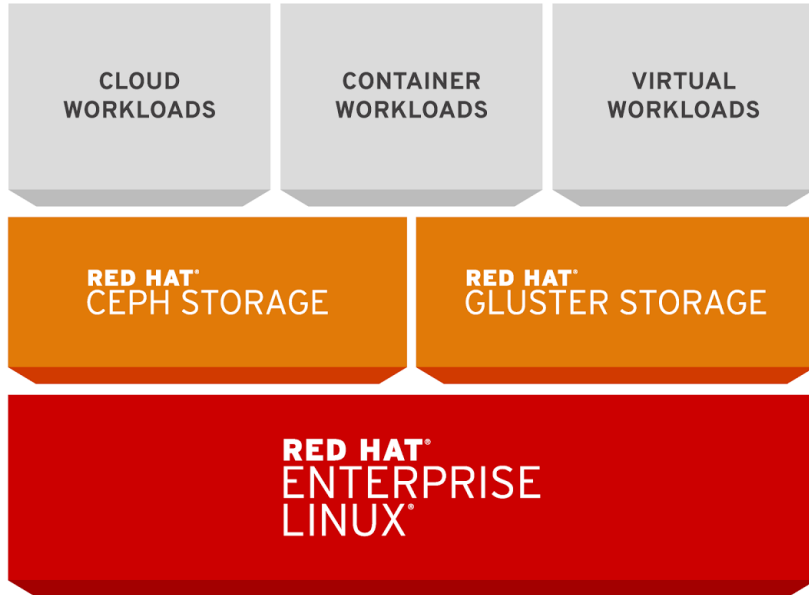


Backups require  
petabyte-scale at  
a low cost



Data and media lakes  
require elasticity and  
performance

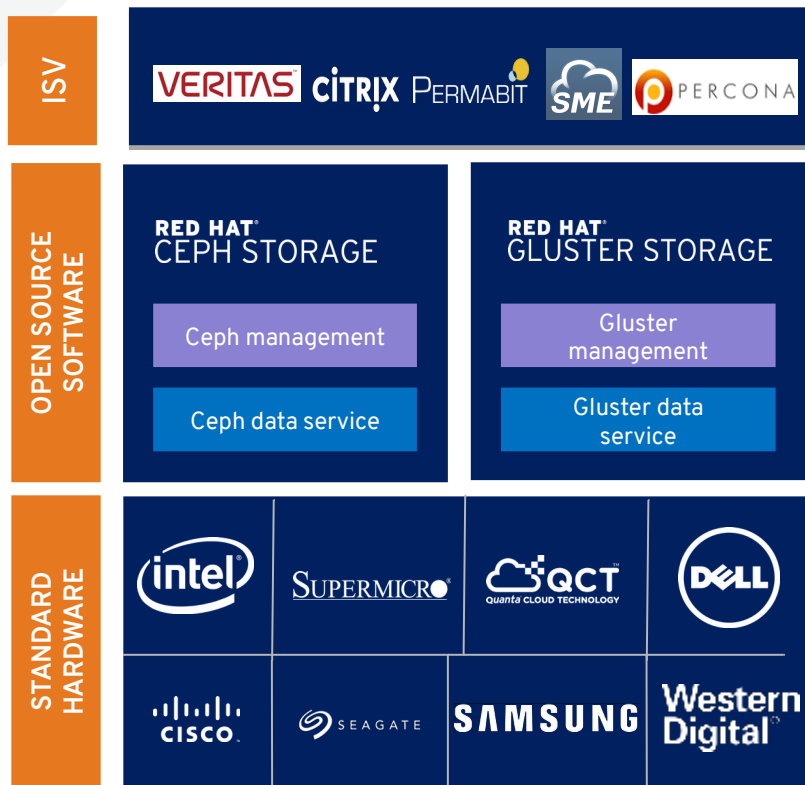
# STORAGE IS ESSENTIAL



Every solution we deliver to customers requires an operating system and durable, flexible storage.

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# RED HAT STORAGE ECOSYSTEM



Share-nothing, scale-out architecture provides durability and adapts to changing demands

Self-managing and self-healing features reduce operational overhead

Standards-based interfaces and full APIs ease integration with applications and systems

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# OUR STORAGE IS DEEPLY INTEGRATED

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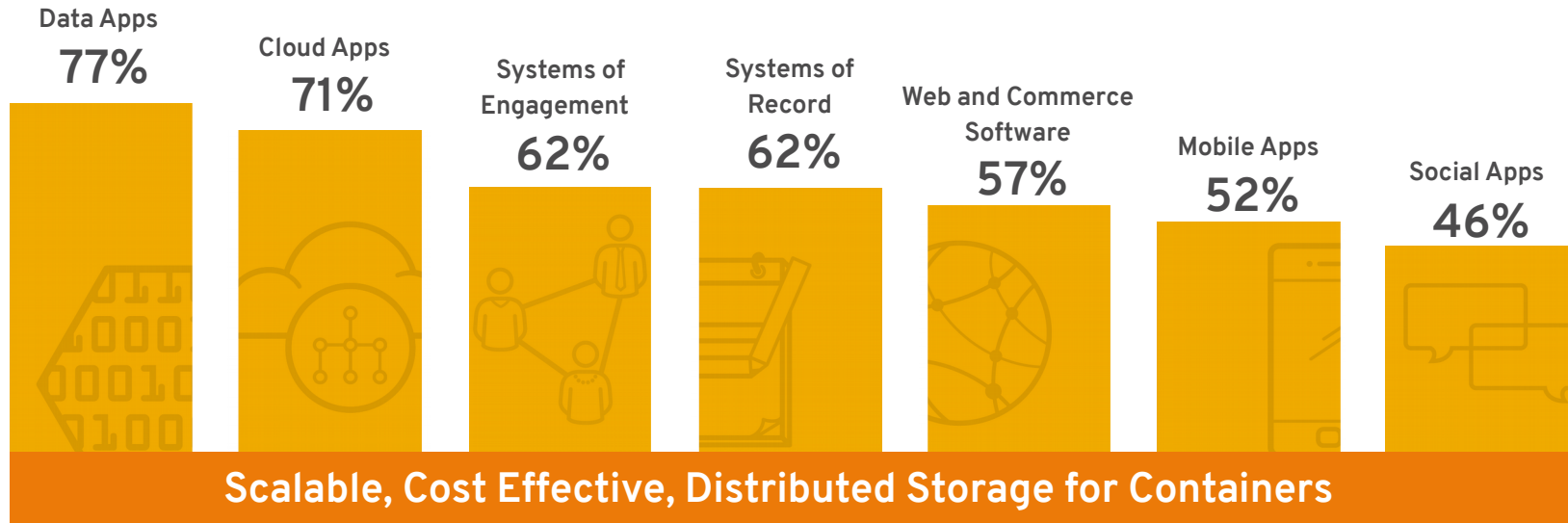
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# STORAGE FOR CONTAINERS

# WHY PERSISTENT STORAGE FOR CONTAINERS?

“For which workloads or application use cases have you used/do you anticipate to use containers?”



# THE NEW FACE OF STORAGE IN APPDEV CENTRIC IT

- Software-defined storage is tailored to help customers get the most of containers
- Traditional storage cannot offer the speed and agility required for modern applications



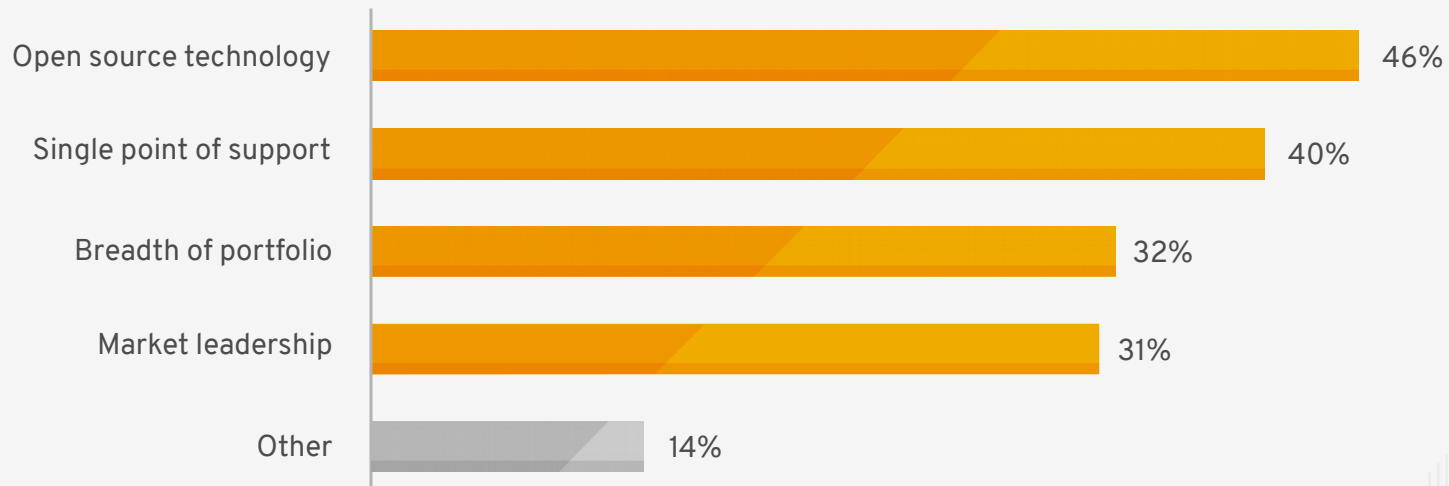
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# SURVEY SAYS...

## CRITERIA FOR SELECTING CONTAINER VENDORS

What is your primary criteria when choosing a container technology vendor?



Source: TechValidate survey of 244 users of Red Hat Storage

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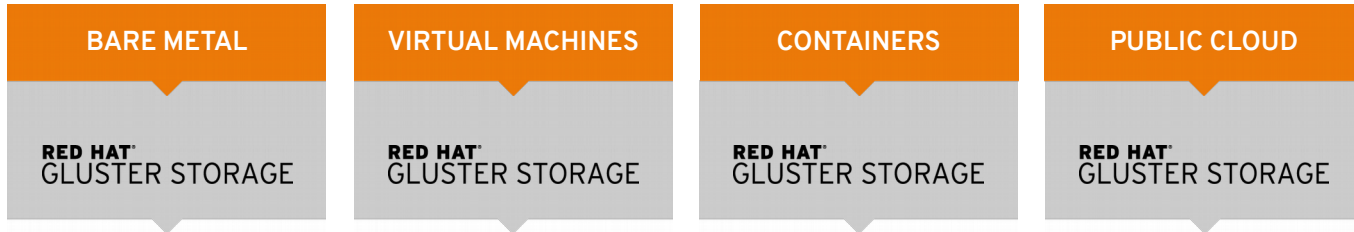
## CONTAINER STORAGE CHALLENGES

What are your biggest pain points with regard to container storage?



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# RED HAT GLUSTER STORAGE RUNS EVERYWHERE OPENSIFT RUNS



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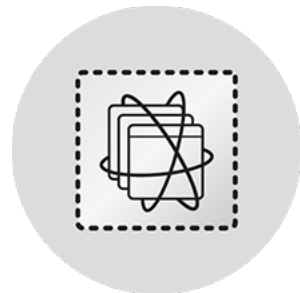
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# WHY PERSISTANT STORAGE FOR OPENSIFT?

- Storage is not the same – characteristics \*and\* handling \*and\* options matter
- Static provisioning:
  - NFS – HA (mostly not inline with cloud idea and clunky)
  - Block storage (same as above)
  - Pre-provisioning needed – more load to storage admins
  - granularity may be wrong (1, 2, 5, 10 20, 50 GB ?)
  - Mostly difficult to cope with deletions (holes)
  - Users consume mostly the wrong size
  - Reuse of volumes is insecure if data is not properly deleted
  - # block storage volumes blow the number of volumes supported by the platform
- Dynamic provisioning:
  - Must be conform to cloud behavior
  - Must be robust for maintenance and failure
- Customers care about:
  - Easy maintenance
  - Long term technology stable (h/w & s/w)
  - Easy handling to remove load from storage team (only quota, classes)
  - Best case: users can provision on their own



# CONTAINER STORAGE PROVISIONING



## STATIC PROVISIONING

Admin interactions are required

Less efficient storage usage:

OpenShift Provisioner picks nearest close capacity

Manual housekeeping/cleanup required

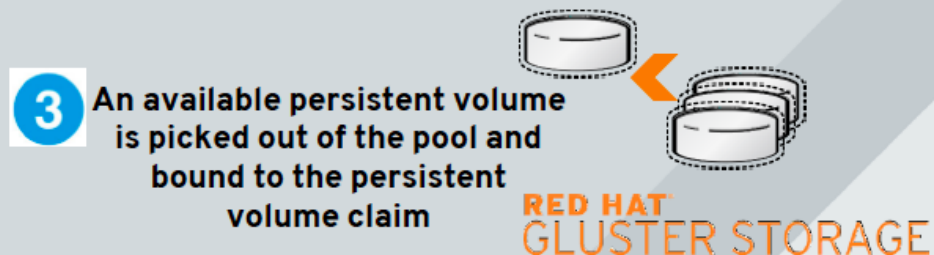
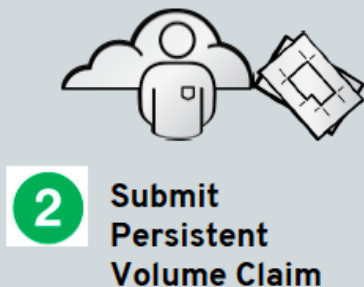
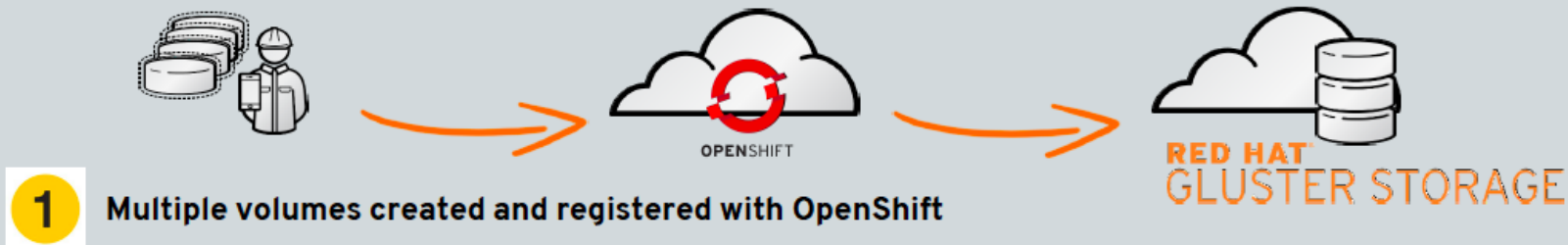
## DYNAMIC PROVISIONING

Automated Storage provisioning

Storage capacity precisely delivered, not approximately

Housekeeping complete automated

# Static Provisioning workflow



# Dynamic Provisioning (CNS)



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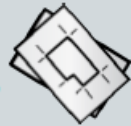


**2** OpenShift requests volume to be created



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**4** OpenShift binds persistent volume to persistent volume claim request



**3** Persistent volume is created by storage system and registered with OpenShift



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# STORAGE PROVISIONER HEKETI

## HEKETI

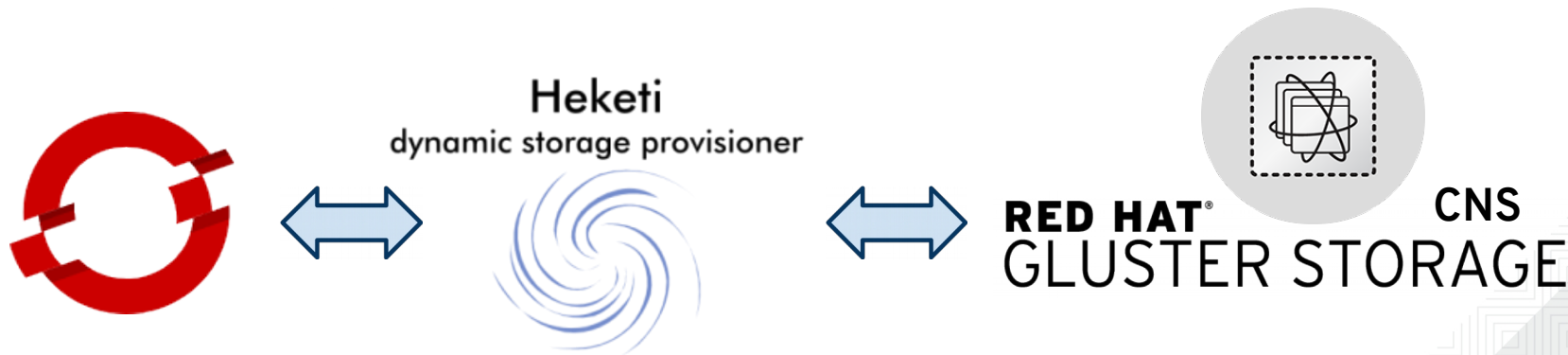
Provisioner for persistent storage volumes

RESTful API service

Service Broker between OCP and Gluster CNS

Runs as a container inside OpenShift

BoltDB Database – Safely stored on CNS



# TWO FLAVORS OF CONTAINER STORAGE

## CONTAINER-READY STORAGE

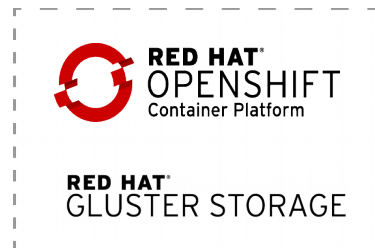
### STORAGE FOR OPENSIFT



- Leverages existing investment in traditional storage, managed by storage admin
- Attach to stand alone Red Hat Gluster storage

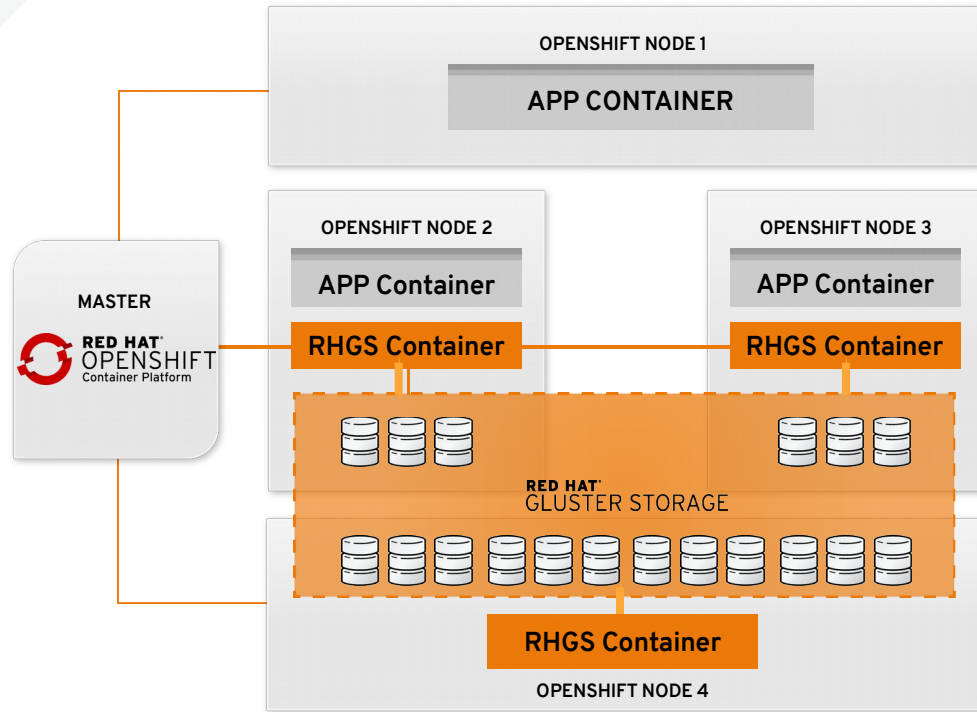
## CONTAINER-NATIVE STORAGE

### STORAGE IN OPENSIFT



- Highly scalable, enterprise-grade storage, fully integrated into OpenShift Container Platform

# CONTAINER-NATIVE STORAGE



Co-Locate Storage and Apps

Dynamic Provisioning

Managed by OpenShift

Infrastructure-Agnostic

# BENEFITS OF CONTAINER NATIVE STORAGE

- **Unified cluster** - Hosts can either run compute, or storage containers or both in a converged environment
- **Unified scheduler** - Use kubernetes to deploy compute and storage containers in “compute-intensive” and “storage-intensive” hosts
- **Unified management pane** - Storage containers are managed and monitored using a single pane of management
- **Consistent upgrade** - Upgrading the storage platform is as easy as upgrading the storage containers
- **Single point of support** – No finger pointing between storage, container host, and orchestration vendors



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# RECENT CUSTOMER WINS



- VPS (Norway Stock Exchange)
- British Columbia Government
- LanBanque Postale
- Amsterdam Schiphol Airport
- Macquarie Bank
- Bank of NZ
- Walmart Labs
- Sabre
- Experian
- BP
- CapitalOne
- Verizon
- Brinker
- SkyTV



# Looking for your next CNS steps ?

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