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IDC reports Q1 2015 EMEA IT infrastructure (server, storage and ethernet switch) revenues for public and private clouds is up by 16% Y-o-Y to reach \$1.01 billion, as the cloud-related share of total EMEA infrastructure spending grows to 19%.

The analyst adds the cloud represents 33% of total EMEA storage capacity, a 45% Y-o-Y increase.

EMEA Cloud IT Infrastructure Revenue, 1015 (Value in \$M)

Deployment	1Q15	1Q15 Segment Shares	1Q14	1Q14 Segment Shares	2015 YoY Growth
Private cloud	\$596.71	11%	\$523.80	10%	14%
Public cloud	\$417.26	8%	\$351.76	7%	19%
Traditional IT	\$4,315.37	81%	\$4,287.04	83%	1%
Grand total	\$5,329.33	100%	\$5,162.60	100%	3%

Interestingly, the unstable macroeconomic conditions hitting traditional IT deployments appear to only "marginally" affect cloud adoption, which still shows growth if at a slower rate. Driving said growth is the increasing popularity of cloud service providers and hybrid cloud adoption at enterprise level.

Fueling W. European cloud expenditure is the public cloud-- IDC says the impact of hyperscale datacentre installations across the region leads to spending growing by 30% Y-o-Y. Private cloud spending grows at a slower pace, as customers assess storage, as well as integrated and hyperconverged system, strategies, but once such decisions are made IDC forecasts another

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push in the forthcoming period.

The emerging CEMA markets make 14% of EMEA Q1 2015 investments-- a decrease from the 17% of Q1 2014 caused by challenging conditions in Russia and weaker public cloud investments. CEMA cloud infrastructure spending makes 11% of the total server, storage and networking hardware market, with public cloud accounting for about 40%.

"IDC expects cloud-related infrastructure spending to reach a yearly value close to \$12bn in EMEA by 2019, or 43% of the total market expenditure, making it an area of tremendous growth for the European infrastructure sector compared with the expectation of a stagnant, if not declining, traditional market," the analyst concludes.

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