

Archer® Business Impact Analysis

Use case for Business Resiliency and Operational Resilience

Challenge

Regardless of size, industry, or maturity, all organizations must ensure availability of their products and services for their customers even when a disruption occurs. Building this resilience is complicated by the complex, interrelated supporting infrastructure of business processes, IT systems, third parties, locations, critical information and more.

Business impact analyses (BIA) help business and resiliency teams identify their most important products and services and critical dependencies, define impact tolerances, recovery objectives and other important metrics for measuring resilience, and prioritize in which areas to focus their efforts. However, when BIAs are conducted using spreadsheets or separate systems by different teams, they are done inconsistently, if at all, which creates inefficiencies. This can also call into question the validity of the results and whether the organization is focusing its efforts to build resilience where it should.

Overview

Archer® Business Impact Analysis helps you determine the criticality of your products and services, business processes and supporting infrastructure so you can make the most important of these resilient to disruption. It creates consistency and more reliable results for BIAs that can be shared across the organization. This enable business leaders to better prioritize resilience strategies, tasks, risk assessments, and other activities crucial to building a resilient organization.

Features

- Business impact analysis with pre-built workflows, dependency mapping capabilities, notifications, and reference data to determine the criticality of products, services, and business processes.
- New or updated BIA initiation depending on process criticality rating, date of last BIA, or other alerts.
- BIA campaign kickoff for multiple business processes at once.
- Access roles for business owners, resilience team and executives to drive BIA completion review and approval.



Key Benefits

With Archer Business Impact Analysis, you can:

- Deploy one approach and consolidated system of record for all BIAs for more consistent and efficient reporting.
- Use a single approach to complete BIAs with workflow, notifications, review, and approval processes.
- Easily access dashboards and reports with key metrics that enable resilience teams, business managers, and executives to monitor and manage all BIAs.

The screenshot displays the Archer Suite Business Resiliency dashboard. At the top, there's a navigation bar with 'ARCHER SUITE' and a search bar. Below it, a 'Business Resiliency' dropdown menu is visible. The main content area is divided into several sections:

- RTO and RPO:** A bar chart titled 'BIAs by Overall Status' showing counts for different status categories. The bars represent counts of 14, 14, 2, and 1.
- My BIAs:** A table listing assigned BIAs for the user 'BR Analyst - BIAs assigned as BCM Program Lead'. The table includes columns for BIA ID, BIA Name, Evaluated Business Process, BCM Program Lead, Business Process Manager, Controller, Compliance Manager, Overall Criticality Rating, and Overall Status.
- Business Process Rating Summary:** A table showing impact ratings for various business processes across categories like Compliance, Data Confidentiality, Data Integrity, Financial, Operational, Reputation, and Strategic. Each cell contains a colored dot representing the rating.
- Past Due BIAs:** A table listing BIAs that are past their due dates, including BIA ID, BIA Name, Evaluated Business Process, Business Process Manager, Response Period Due Date, Review Period Due Date, and Overall Criticality Rating.



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