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Precisely Assure MIMIX

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Product Recap



Precisely Assure MIMIX

Precisely Assure MIMIX Recap

Assure MIMIX DR protects your business from lost data and extended downtime by maintaining a real-time replica of your production server on a recovery server located on-site, off-site, or in the cloud.

Valuable Features

Excerpts from real customer reviews on PeerSpot:

- ✓ “Precisely Assure MIMIX has positively affected our organization by reducing downtime because it takes 30 minutes from swapping from one box to another; production is back up and running within 30 minutes, and a lot of times, I could get it down to 20 minutes.”



Rob

Cyber Security Team/Governance, Risk, Compliance at a manufacturing company with 1,001-5,000 employees

- ✓ “The product's initial setup phase was straightforward and simple.”



Ganesh Subbian

System Admin at a media company with 10,001+ employees

- ✓ “Database replication is most valuable. It is multi-platform, so it can replicate from a variety of different database types to a variety of different database types.”



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What users had to say about valuable features:

“The most valuable features of the solution are auditing and object replication. The tool takes care of the recovery part by allowing our company to use its auto-recovery features..”

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“The best features that Precisely Assure MIMIX offers are that it is very designed and simple to use; it just works. The screens are very designed, informative, and show you everything that you need to know about your current and backup system, and with the proper speeds across the circuit, the instant you make a change on the production box, that change shows up on the backup box. The reporting for Precisely is very good, and you can run reports that tell you information, and for audit purposes, it is excellent to mark off the list that you have a disaster recovery box, which a lot of auditors look for.

“Precisely Assure MIMIX alerts you when there is an issue by sending information to your job queue or your message queue or Q-CIS OPER message queue, which are always monitored, and it allows you to send messages and be updated about any issues by the colors that are changed on the screen. There are also instant alerts, instant messages that allow you to see exactly what is happening all the time.

“Precisely Assure MIMIX has positively affected our organization by reducing downtime because it takes 30 minutes from swapping from one box to another; production is back up and running within 30 minutes, and a lot of times, I could get it down to 20 minutes. I believe I also had a successful 15-minute rollover from the time I took down the production system to the time I brought the disaster recovery box back up, which is an incredible time saver, money saver, everything saver for all the plants involved in the disaster recovery process. We had a total of 10 plants that were all back up and running within a coffee break.

“In terms of productivity and customer satisfaction, it was great; everybody loved the ability to roll over and have that functionality available. Many companies do not have the ability to bring production back online within minutes, especially during a critical fiber cut or a critical disk drive error, and it very much became essential to have Precisely Assure MIMIX, as without it, we would lose thousands of dollars..”

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Other Solutions Considered

“I did not previously use a different solution; we searched out and looked at several different solutions, but Precisely Assure MIMIX was the one that we preferred over the others..”

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“I have experience with IBM I Cluster technology, Precisely OMS/ODS, and DataMirror in some of my previous organizations. My current organization started off with DataMirror and then switched to Precisely Assure MIMIX later..”

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“Before choosing Precisely Assure MIMIX, we evaluated other options, including IBM, which was not as far along in the process and didn't have the visibility that Precisely did, so we went with Precisely instead..”

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“The different solution that was in use before this product was a product called DataMirror, and it was a different third-party vendor. The transition from DataMirror to MIMIX took place when I joined the company. The project was in progress when I joined the company, and I was immediately assigned to the team to assist with that. My understanding of the reason why they chose to discontinue using DataMirror and to replace it with MIMIX was a dramatic increase in the licensing cost of DataMirror. My understanding at the time was that DataMirror had become prohibitively expensive for licensing and support. The company was looking for a more economical solution, and that's how they landed on the MIMIX Share product..”

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“At the time we went with MIMIX, there weren't a lot of other competitors out there. 15 years ago, one of the requirements that we had was that our source database was iSeries DB2400. There weren't a lot of database replication products that were playing in that area. The choice to go with MIMIX from DataMirror was made before I joined the company, and then I was thrust into that project as soon as I joined the company. So, I don't know if any other products were evaluated when that decision was first made, but I do know that there weren't very many companies that were doing the replication of iSeries DB2400 data.

As we're using it right now, we are no longer replicating DB2400 data. We are replicating Oracle data. There are more competitors that are working in that space. We had evaluated other solutions when we transitioned from DB2400 to Oracle. We did evaluations of Golden Gate and another third-party product called Quest SharePlex, and for whatever reason at levels of management above me, the decision was made to stay with MIMIX rather than to transition to one of those other competitors..”

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ROI

Real user quotes about their ROI:

“I have seen a return on investment with Precisely Assure MIMIX; you definitely have money savings because the savings are realized during downtime. If you have to be down for five or 10 hours overnight, you are talking hundreds or even thousands of dollars in lost production, and not being able to ship products or bill customers, so the return on investment comes from getting back online, back in business, and back to production within a matter of minutes..”

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“I have seen a return on investment from the use of the solution in my company, especially in terms of cost, since it helps our company deal with downtime and during a disaster, the product helps us with the switchover process, owing to which such issues did not have an impact on us.

The solution helped our organization save a lot of time by ensuring that my company did not experience any downtime..”

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Use Case

“I use the solution in my company since it offers more flexibility compared to other software that I have worked with, including IBM I Cluster technology, Precisely OMS/ODS, and a little bit at the base level of MIMIXOWN. Precisely Assure MIMIX is a very old tool that I have used several times, and because of that, I feel comfortable using it.

For those companies looking into the products available in the market, I would say that nothing comes close to Precisely Assure MIMIX in terms of the functionalities and the area of usage that the tool provides..”

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“My main use case for Precisely Assure MIMIX is for a backup in case of disaster or a recovery or an outage.

“A quick specific example of how I have used Precisely Assure MIMIX for disaster recovery or during an outage is when we had an event of weather or a circuit went down from our Telco, AT we had to do a rollover to the backup box, which was located in another state, and we ran on that box for a week or until a set time, the disaster was over.

“I also have another scenario to add about my main use case for Precisely Assure MIMIX: we used it as a test where we could roll, do a virtual rollover, and test a product on production data, and after the test was complete, we could roll back over and everything would be put exactly back the way it was..”

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Setup

The setup process involves configuring and preparing the product or service for use, which may include tasks such as installation, account creation, initial configuration, and troubleshooting any issues that may arise. Below you can find real user quotes about the setup process.

“On the Windows platform, it is very straightforward. It is just like an installation wizard. It is also pretty straightforward on other platforms. We're using it on AIX as well, and it's not complicated, but it's a little bit more involved to install it there than it is on Microsoft Windows.

It was basically deployed as part of a much larger project. The larger project was basically a three-year development and deployment process. It took multiple years to get the larger project deployed.

Our implementation strategy was to simply provide the replication capability through all the phases of development. We started with what's called a configuration development environment, and when we were ready to move it into user acceptance testing and quality assurance testing, we moved the replication into the next environment. After we were ready to go live, we moved it into the production environment..”

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Customer Service and Support

“The customer support for Precisely Assure MIMIX was good; in the beginning, it was a little shaky, taking a while to respond and resolve issues. But over the years, their customer support became very advanced, with quicker responses, better responses, and simpler resolutions, improving significantly over time..”

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“It is okay. I would rate them a little bit above average. Some of the support resources they have are very good, and some of them are maybe not as experienced as they need to be. It seems to be hit or miss when we create a support case. Sometimes, we get somebody who's on the ball and knows exactly how to handle the issue and when it needs to be escalated for resolution. Other times, we've got support people who aren't necessarily as savvy or technically able to assist. Overall, their support is better than average. It is not the best I've ever seen, but it's not bad..”

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Other Advice

“I would rate it an eight out of 10. It has certain deficiencies, but generally, it is quite stable if environmental factors outside of its area don't change in an adverse way that has a negative impact on it. When it is running without outside factors impacting it negatively, it is quite stable. It is a set-it-and-forget-it type of implementation, which is a plus. It is nice to be able to just put something in and not have to worry about it, but in the real world, when things happen that do have an adverse or negative impact on it, then it does require maintenance, support, care, and feeding. So, in the real world, we do have to support it, but overall, it is relatively stable, and for that reason, I'd give it an above-average evaluation. I wouldn't give it a perfect evaluation because there are certain deficiencies in the product, and there are certain bugs that have to be corrected and that have been corrected over time. It is not perfect, but it is reasonably stable..”

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“My advice to others looking into using Precisely Assure MIMIX is to give it a chance; it works, is efficient, and makes your backup system a production system in a matter of minutes. You have to ensure that you test and do role swaps regularly to prepare yourself effectively.

“My additional thoughts about Precisely Assure MIMIX before we wrap up are that it is a product that will work for you. You have to get a system in place, dot all the i's, and cross all the t's, but Precisely just works.

“I rate Precisely Assure MIMIX 9 out of 10..”

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“Precisely Assure MIMIX has improved our organization's disaster recovery efforts since my company has multiple LPARs. Precisely Assure MIMIX has around 45 LPARs for the database recovery, and I have one site-to-site replication for one of the servers in our environment, which is really good.

The failover process of Precisely Assure MIMIX has enhanced our company's business continuity planning, considering that we have been testing the failover test area once a year and found out that the area revolving around recovery is good.

When I was having a discussion on one of the online forums meant for Precisely Assure MIMIX around five years ago, which was even before the LAKEVIEW stuff was introduced by Precisely. Through the online forum, the team of Precisely Assure MIMIX helped my company deal with the area related to ServiceNow integration.

I have never faced a scenario where Precisely Assure MIMIX prevented data loss during an unexpected outage in our company.

I would ask those who plan to use the product to evaluate their own environment

before purchasing Precisely Assure MIMIX.

I rate the overall tool a nine out of ten..”

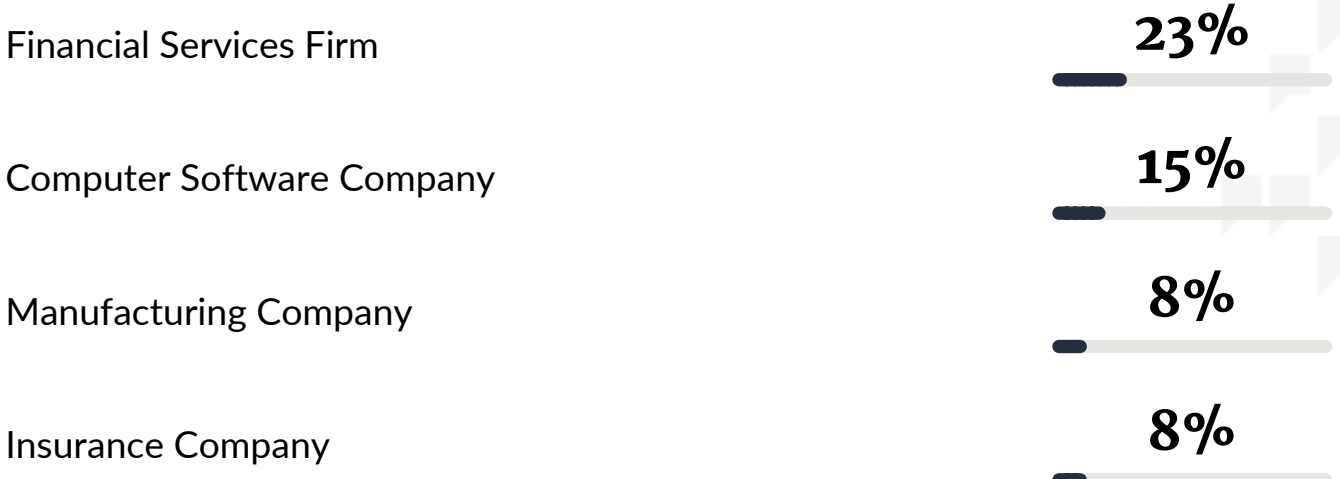
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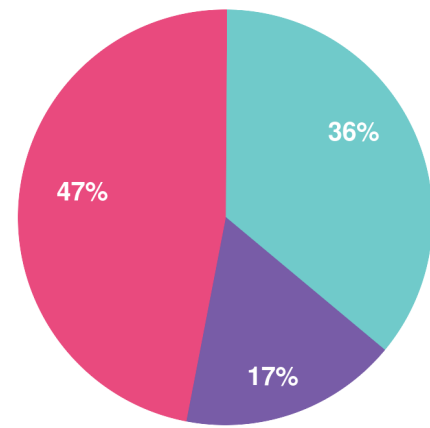
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