Enterprise Network Pricing and WAN Sourcing Strategies

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Basic WAN Sourcing Questions

- What services are available, and where?
- How much do they cost, and how are these rates changing over time?
- How can I optimize my WAN sourcing to get the best network for my needs at the lowest cost?



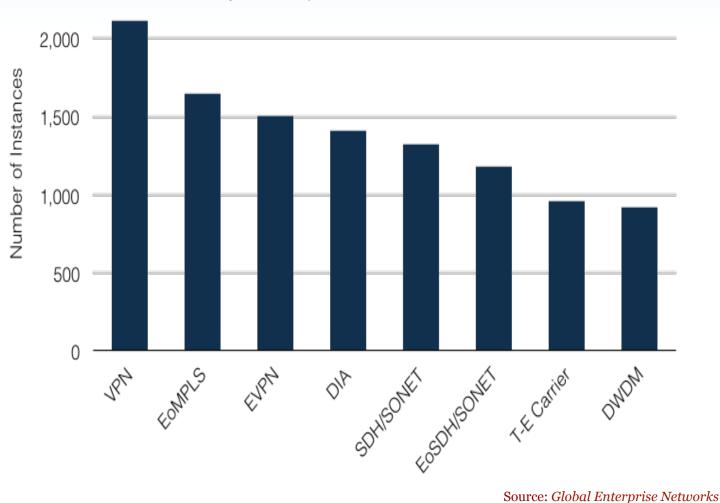


Global Enterprise Networks





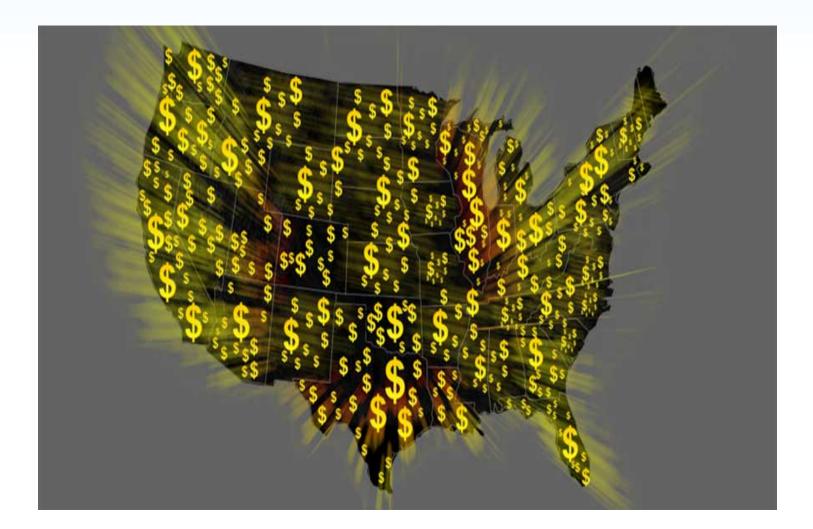
VPN is still the most prevalent network product







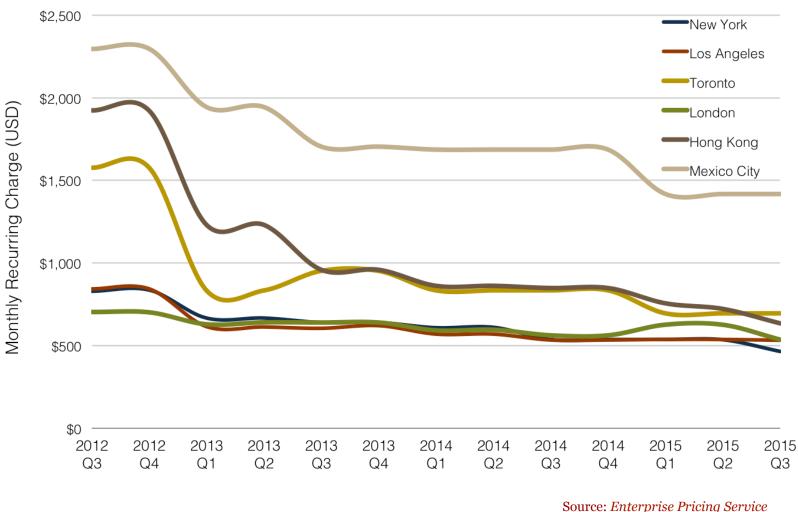
What do these things cost?





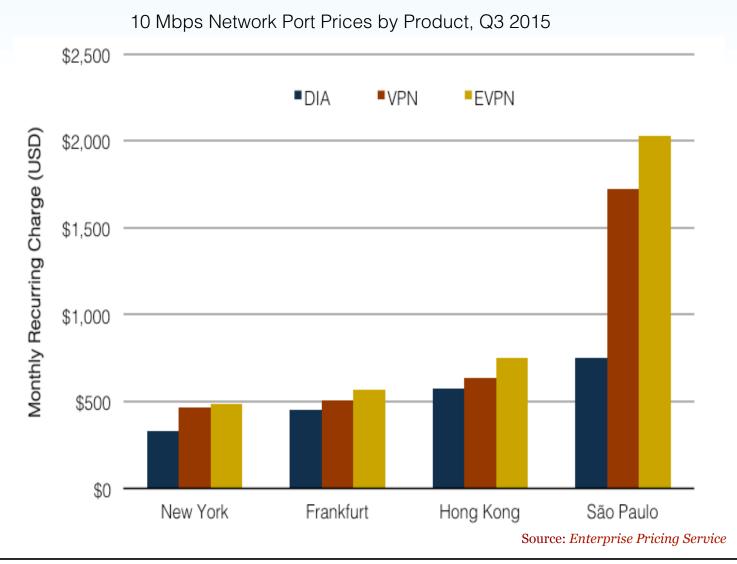
Prices decline, but at varying rates

10 Mbps, Best Efforts VPN Port Pricing, Q3 2012 - Q3 2015





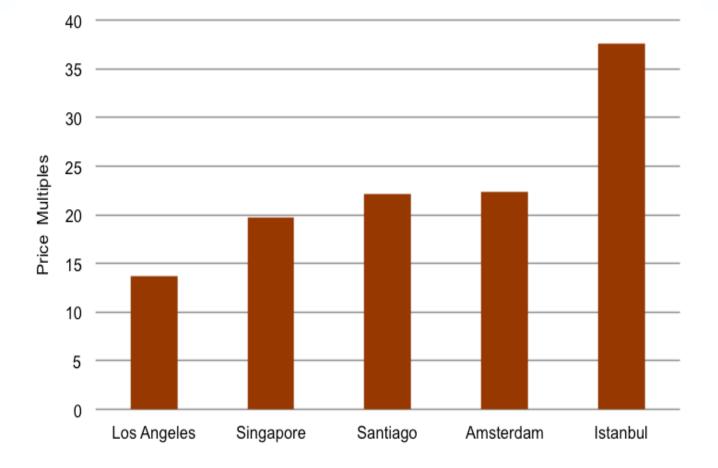
Choose your network product wisely!





Business Broadband saves big money (where appropriate)

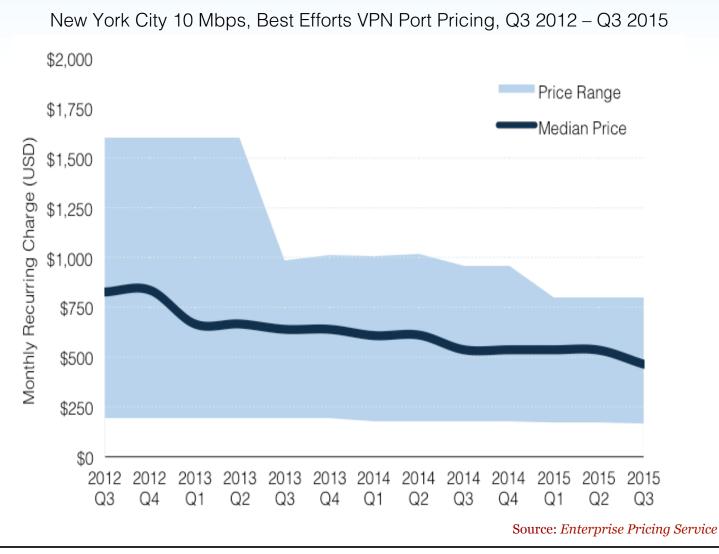




Source: Business Broadband Research Service

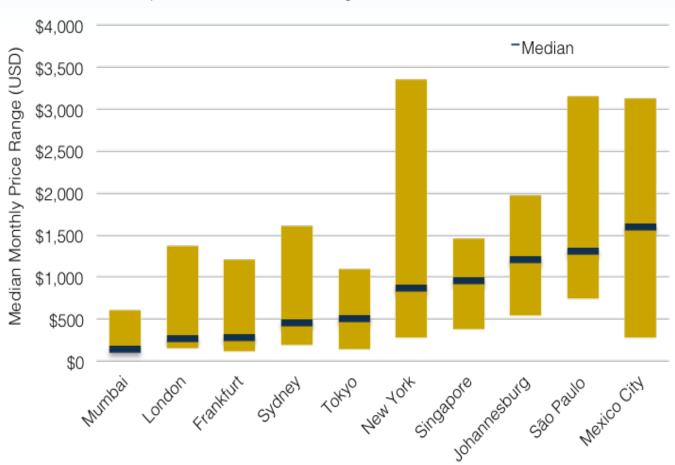


Prices range, so provider choice matters





Local access can be messy and expensive



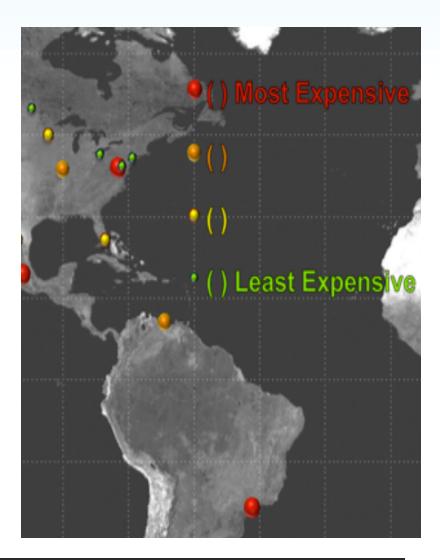
10 Mbps Metro Access Pricing in Select Cities, H2 2015

Source: Local Access Pricing Service



WAN Benchmarking Scenario Analysis

- What do different WAN configurations cost?
- How does my provider choice affect my WAN TCO?
- What product choices will save me the most money?
- What balance do I strike between cost and performance?



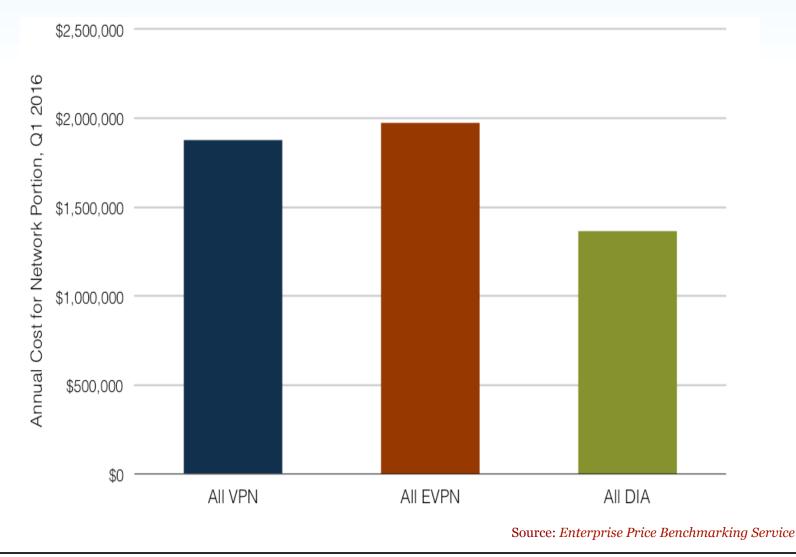


Baseline WAN Configuration

- Scenario analysis based on hypothetical global network
- 36 sites 10 in Asia, 10 in Europe, 6 in LatAm, 10 in the US
- Capacities range from 2-1000 Mbps
 - most common are 2 Mbps and 100 Mbps
- Class of Service mix: 10% Voice/Video, 20% Business Critical, 70% Best Efforts
- Ethernet access preferred over leased line, except at low capacities

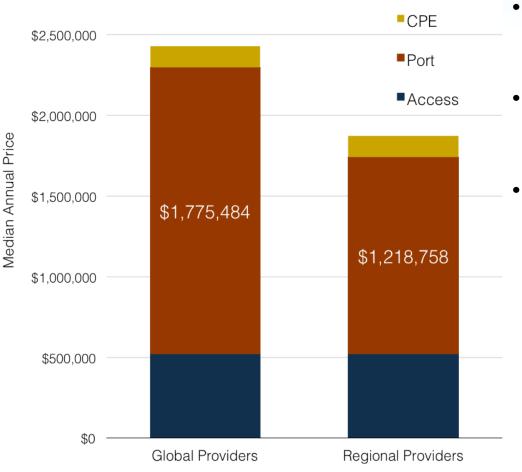


Single Product Strategies





Global vs Regional Provider Choice

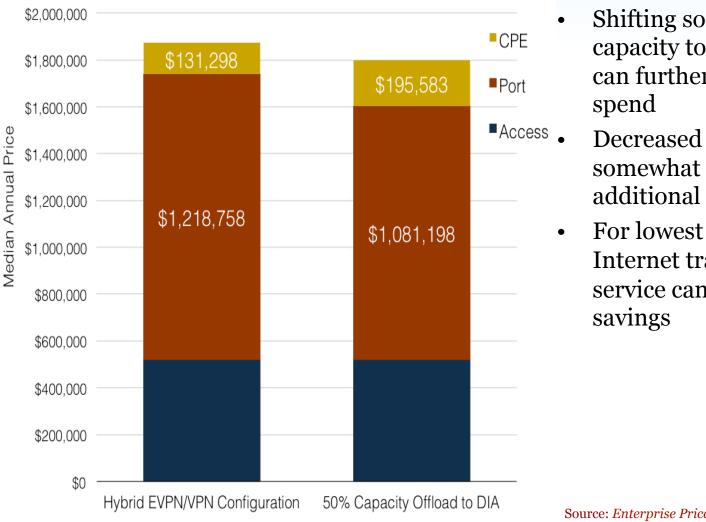


- A single provider strategy often comes with a price premium
- Regional providers may be cheaper, but require more vendor management
- Access as a wildcard Global providers may have access procurement advantages, but are savings passed on to consumer?

Source: Enterprise Price Benchmarking Service



Internet Offload to DIA

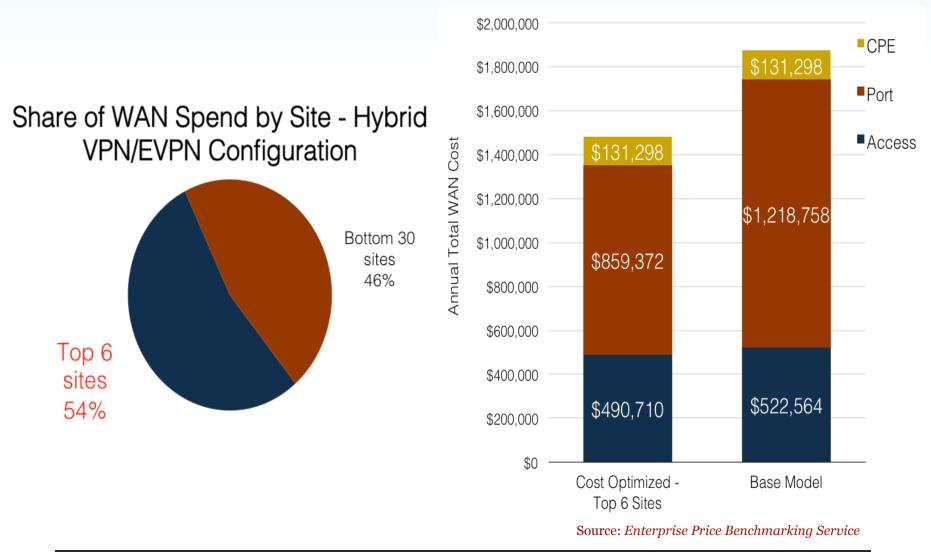


- Shifting some MPLS capacity to the Internet can further optimize WAN spend
- Decreased port prices somewhat offset by additional hardware costs
- For lowest priority Internet traffic, broadband service can magnify these savings

Source: Enterprise Price Benchmarking Service

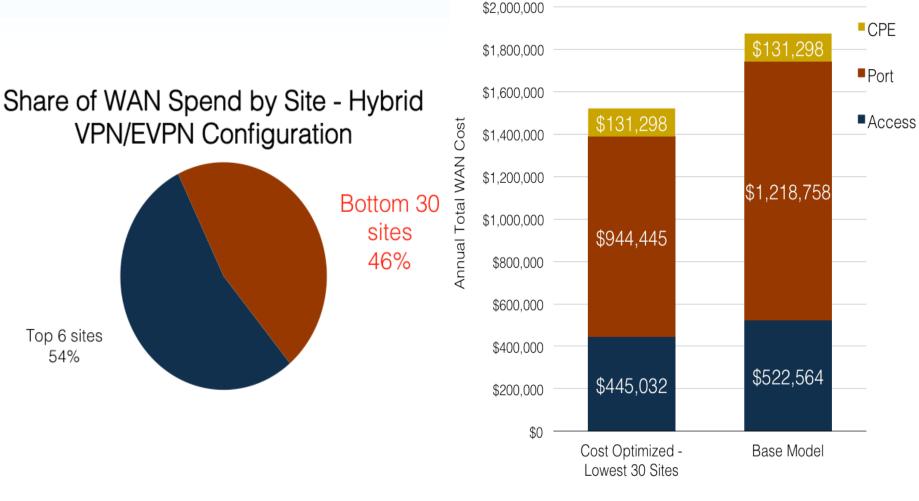


Site Optimization – Most Expensive





Site Optimization – Majority of Sites



Source: Enterprise Price Benchmarking Service





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