Poll

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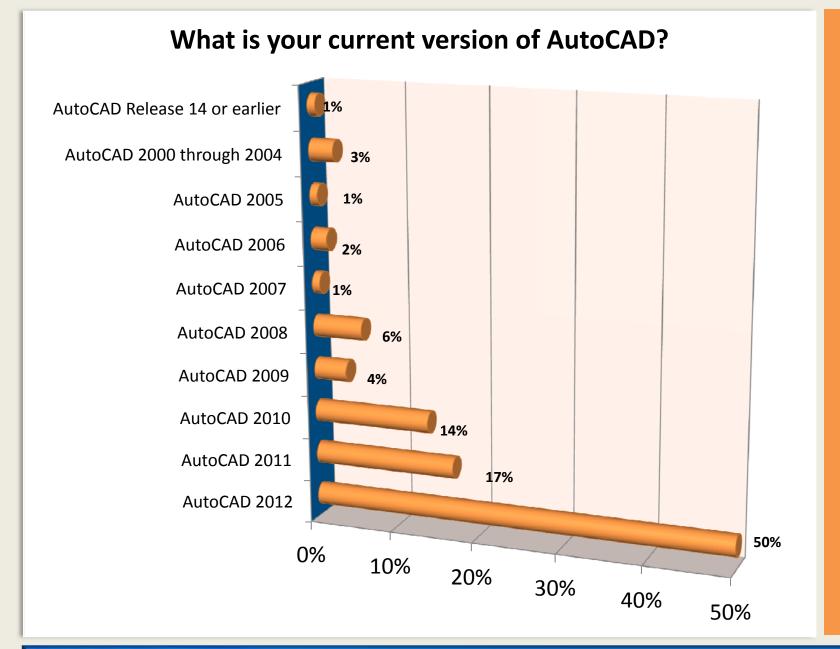


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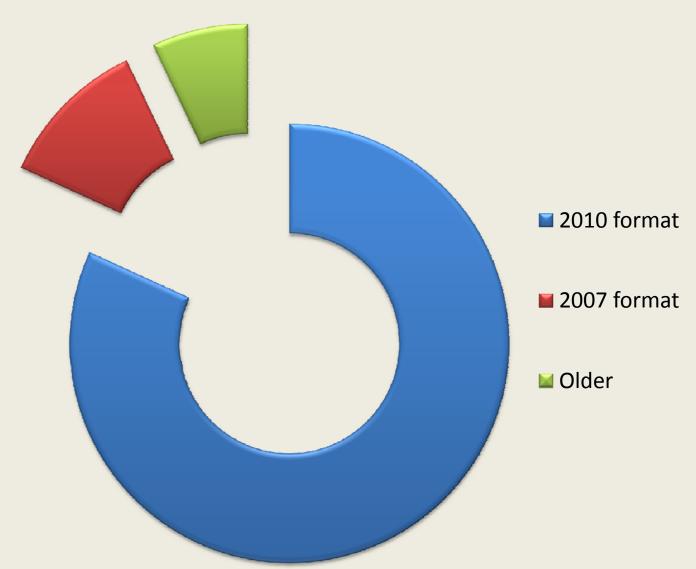
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Homepage Poll – What version of AutoCAD are you currently using?

Thank you to the 438 members who chimed in on this month's home page poll. Half of the users (of vanilla AutoCAD or its vertical products) who responded to the question are on the current release, 2012.

Picking software is like driving a car, we all have our needs and preferences and limits... and many folks drive more than one. However, in the name of simplicity, only one answer was allowed.

Personally, my office uses 2012 (AutoCAD/Revit MEP Suite for me, a couple of LT seats and quite a few of TrueView), and I keep us on the current release because it helps with my budgeting. Having that one line item there for subscription is so much easier than the mountains of paperwork that would be needed if I only upgraded every three years or so. Additionally, almost all of our drawings are created by outside firms, no telling what release.

Designer and CADD Coordinator Kae Calloway says "We have to use AutoCAD to accommodate vendor files and use release 2005 for that, however, our management system and plotting processes were written inhouse and designed for MicroStation."

Every office is different, so I spoke to some other users to share their views with you (thank you to Leanne Zaras and Kyle Nishioka for their insightful comments). Hardware and/or Operating System upgrades are not currently an option, so why tax an old system with better software? The older versions of AutoCAD have just the features some users need, inspiring no desire to upgrade for other features. Another reason might be that they have add-on software packages that haven't been modified to work with newer releases. User training, testing and roll-out time, customization, etc are all other factors to take into consideration.

If you have any suggestions for future polls (or surveys), please let me know: Melanie.Perry@augi.com

