## The new frontier of Al-powered sales

Discover how AI can help you close more deals, faster

Business leaders face increasing difficulty in building and retaining high-performing sales teams. Many sellers worry they lack the skills to meet rapidly changing customer expectations, with many more feeling burned out and actively looking for new jobs. Fortunately, new advances in AI, collaboration, and selling tools can empower sellers with practical solutions to these challenges.



#### Let's take a look.

### 63% of salespeople are struggling with their mental health<sup>1</sup>

**97%** of sales leaders see reskilling reps as their immediate priority<sup>2</sup>

**30%** of sales professionals' time is spent on selling, while the majority goes to administrative and nonselling tasks<sup>3</sup> **56%** of sellers are pursuing new roles<sup>4</sup>

## Giving your employees the necessary and desired tools boosts productivity, job satisfaction, and staff retention

Al-boosted tools that automate low-value administrative tasks (like replying to emails, generating actionable meeting summaries, or capturing notes during customer calls) free your sales teams to focus on what they do best: building deeper relationships with customers. With proper training, sellers can access these Al-powered solutions that will redefine their ability to find and close deals.

To: Alberto Burgos	Ŵ Ø	<ul> <li>Suggested content is Al generated—please make sure it's accurate and appropriate before sending. Learn more</li> </ul>
1		Hey Albertz We just wanted to reach out and say that we're super excited that our eco-friendly coffee options align with your Quick Meet vision at Fourth coffee We know how important it is to take care of the environment and we're doing our part by using machines that are Energy Star and Green Seal certified, which means they use a lot less energy than other similar machines
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AB Alberto Burgos It sounds interesting! Here are some more details about the launch - 5 spaces in the city	Just now	environment is a joint effort and we want to work together with you to make it happen. We would love to schedule a meeting with
		you tomorrow at 10:00 discuss how we can collaborate on [Product name].
See 4 more messages		Let us know if that works for you.

# Discover insights hidden in your customer data

Due to manual entry, existing CRM technology is often difficult to use and lacks quality data. Systems are often too complicated, failing to synthesize data and lacking reporting features—making it difficult for managers to identify trends, actionable next steps, or best practices.

### 68% of employees want their employers to deploy more AI-based technology<sup>5</sup>

### Less than half of sales

leaders believe most of their reps have the right capabilities to succeed<sup>2</sup> **80%** of sales leaders ranked analytical and quantitative skills as top capabilities to develop<sup>2</sup>



Al and automation tools make 89 percent of employees feel more fulfilled because they can spend more time on work that truly matters<sup>6</sup>

## Microsoft offers an intelligent and comprehensive sales and marketing solution

that empowers sales teams to deepen relationships with their customers and close more deals, faster.



Maximize in-person meetings, improve interactions with clients, streamline admin tasks, and build deeper customer relationships via Microsoft Sales Copilot.



#### Supercharge collaboration

and create open lines of communication between traditionally siloed departments with native Teams integration.



#### **Evaluate sales teams,**

track and forecast sales performance, and provide proactive coaching to team members, both individually and as a group.

Download the e-book <u>The Future of Sales: Elevating Productivity</u> <u>and Customer Connection with AI</u> and learn how Microsoft can help



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