# Emerging Trends Among UHNW Families

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- 2. Impact of Complexity on Family and Providers
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#### Explosive Growth of the UHNW Market

#### **Size Characteristics**

- Market size \$11.3 T
- 100,000 households, 8% annual growth
- Nearly 10,000 centimillionaires
- 10,000 family offices

Source: Wealth X

## UHNW Family Investable Assets

\$893m

Average 2022 investable assets

\$663m

Average 2020 investable assets

Source: 2023 FOX Global Investment Survey



#### Consequences of Explosive Growth

- Rising Complexity
- Growing Demand and Diversity of Services
- Escalating Costs of Wealth Management
- Reinventing Strategic Outsourcing/Partnering



#### Growth and Complexity are Driving Costs Upward

#### Costs to the Family

<b>Annual Cost of Wealth</b>
Management (n=121)

Internal Family
Office Costs (avg. in
Thousands)

External Advisory

Fees (avg in Thousands)

External Investment Fees (avg in Thousands)

Total Cost of Wealth Mgt.

Universe (all respondents)

\$3,595

\$716

\$6,464

\$10,700

Source: 2023 FOX Family Office Benchmarking



#### The Growing Cost of the Family Office

- \$1.7m \$6.0m annual cost
- Average \$3.6m (40 bp)
- Employees 6.0 ('21) to 8.6 ('23)

Source: 2023 FOX Family Office Benchmarking



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## Nature of Complexity – Family Factors

(n=151)

	25 <sup>th</sup> Percentile	Median (50 <sup>th</sup> Percentile)	75 <sup>th</sup> Percentile
Number of adult households served by the office	4	6	14
Number of businesses controlled and/or operated by the family	0	2	5
Number of current trust beneficiaries	5	10	20
Percentage assets held in centralized "single pot" trusts	3%	20%	80%
Percentage of assets held in other trusts (for individual beneficiaries)	1%	25%	60%
Number of philanthropic entities	1	2	4
Number of governing boards supporting the enterprise	1	2	3
Number of family members on the family office board	4	6	9
Number of independent directors on the family office board	0	3	5



## Nature of Complexity – Financial Factors

(n=151)

	25 <sup>th</sup> Percentile	Median (50 <sup>th</sup> Percentile)	75 <sup>th</sup> Percentile
Family office annual budget	\$1.251 M	\$3.354 M	\$8.138 M
Size of office staff (FTE)	3	6	10
Number of other employees of the family managed or administered	0	3	7
Number of major properties, boats, planes, collections, etc. managed	1	5	10
Number of legal entities	18	37	85
Total number of tax returns filed annually	18	43	150



## Nature of Complexity – Investment Factors

(n=151)

	25 <sup>th</sup> Percentile	Median (50 <sup>th</sup> Percentile)	75 <sup>th</sup> Percentile
Investable assets (in millions of dollars)	\$147 Mil	\$365 Mil	\$900 Mil
Number of public money managers	1	3	10
Number of private or hedge funds	0	4	34
Number of direct real estate and natural resource holdings	0	5	13
Number of other direct investments	0	8	17
Number of investment partnerships managed by the office	1	3	10

#### Investment portfolio allocation (n=109)

% Allocated to private funds	0	4	29
% Allocated to direct real estate/other direct investments	0	9	30



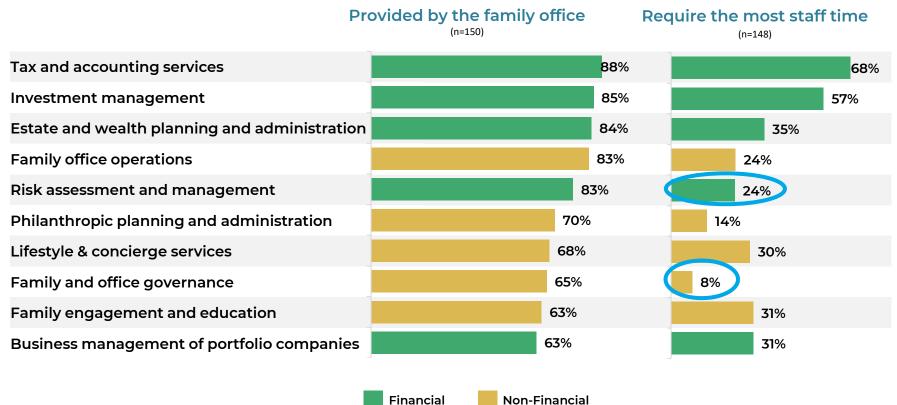
## Growth and Complexity Drive Costs, but not Uniformly

Annual Cost of Wealth Management (n=121)	Universe (all respondents)	Large Offices (7+ emp.)	Small Offices (<6 emp.)
Internal family office costs (avg. in thousands)	\$3,595	\$6,045	\$1,655
External advisory fees (avg. in thousands)	\$716	\$998	\$495
External investment fees (avg. in thousands)	\$6,464	\$11,497*	\$2,426
Total cost of wealth management	\$10,700	\$18,540	\$4,576

<sup>\*</sup>Rise of the Mega Family Office



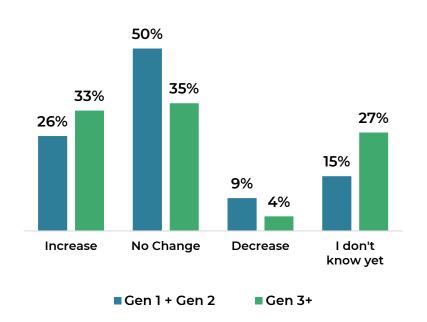
## Alignment and Potential Realignment of Resources



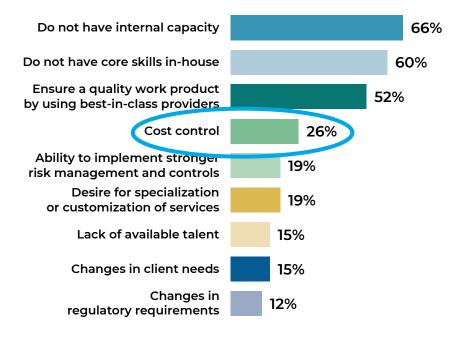


## **Changing Nature of Outsourcing**

#### Outsourcing projection for the next 24 months (n=149)



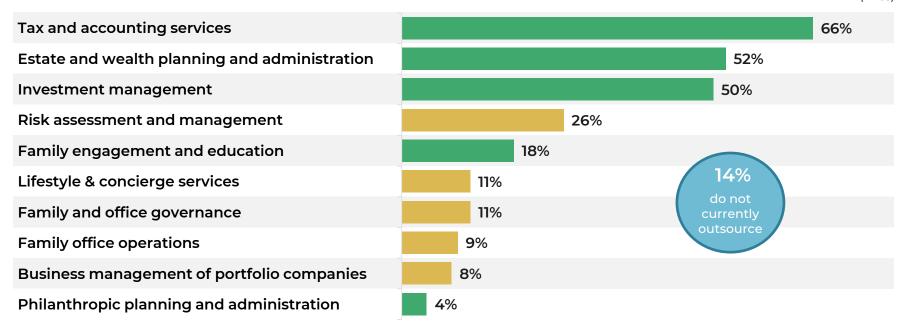
#### Reasons for outsourcing (n=144)





## Services Outsourced by the Family Office

(n=138)



<sup>\*</sup> Which services are you currently outsourcing? The service should be included if it is done by an external party, either in whole or in part.





#### Technology Will Play a Pivotal Role

#### Shifts in Technology Start-ups

2012: More than 50% of all technologies in the wealth management industry were focused on investments

2022: Primary focus, over 50%, is now on technology itself



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#### Growing Adoption of Governance

85%\*

Have at least one formal Governing Board for the Family Office

\* versus 59% in 2021 3.9

Average number of family meetings last year 32%

Have a formal leadership succession plan

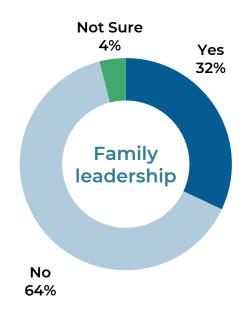
Composition of the Governing Board (n=100)

	# of Members (Median)	# of Members (Average)
Family Board or Subcommittee Members	6	8.4
Independent Board or Subcommittee Members	3	3.3

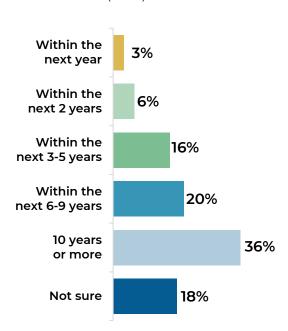


#### Efficacy of Leadership Transition Planning





## Family leadership transition timeline (n=148)





#### Family Learning's Impact on Sustainability

#### Family Meetings and Education Expenses

	Average	25 <sup>th</sup> Percen- tile	Median	75 <sup>th</sup> Percen- tile
How many family meetings were held last year? (n=115)	4	1	2	4
What is the annual budget for education and leadership development? (including family meeting expenses) (n=100)	\$74,330	\$20,000	\$40,000	\$100,000

Source: 2023 FOX Family Office Benchmarking



#### Wrap Up

#### **Questions to Consider**

- 1) Where do you see growing demand for service and how might that impact your present and future ability to deliver?
- 2) What long-term plans and investments are being made to sustain the family office?
- 3) How are you thinking of technology as infrastructure solution?
- 4) What is your resourcing strategy including hiring, development, outsourcing and partnering and how might that evolve?



