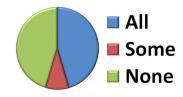
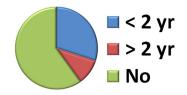
# Is SETROPTS PASSWORD SPECIALCHAR option active on any of your Production z/OS systems?

Responses	Count	Percent %
Yes, on all systems	10	45.5%
Yes, on some systems	2	9.0%
No	10	45.5%
Total	22	100%



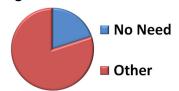
# If no, do you plan to activate SPECIALCHAR at some point in the future?

Responses	Count	Percent %
Yes, within the next 2 years	3	30%
Yes, sometime beyond 2 years	1	10%
No	6	60%
Total	10	100%



## What is the primary reason for not activating SPECIALCHAR?

Responses	Count	Percent %
Do not think it is necessary	1	10%
Other (see below)	4	0%
Total	5	100%



### **Responses - Other**

Using Password Phrases with only supported special characters instead

We utilize the REXX program IRRPWREX where we allow only the national characters within passwords. We already have a number of accounts (about 1,000) that are using passphrases and are getting ready to move more people over to using pass phrases.

Using ICHPWX01 to enforce additional password requirements including special/national characters.

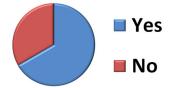
There is no appetite at this time to allow the use of additional special characters on the platform outside of the existing national characters.



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Do you have any password rules that include character types ANYTHING (\*), SPECIAL (s), or MIXEDALL (x) that allow the entry of special characters aside from the National characters?

	Responses	Count	Percent %
Yes		8	66.7%
No		4	33.3%
	Total	12	100%



Are you using, or do you plan to use, the ICHPWX01 / IRRPWX01 New Password Exit to limit what special characters may be used?

Responses	Count	Percent %
Yes, to match those characters allowed by AD	2	16.7%
Yes, for certain other characters unrelated to AD  Those which cause problems for FTP	1	8.3%
No	9	75%
Total	12	100%

