Subject: Re: how many active IDL users are there? Posted by David Fanning on Sat, 17 Apr 2010 13:58:33 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Mark Quigley writes:

- > Just wondering. Does anyone have any IDL how many people currently use
- > IDL?

I've sold something on the order of 5000 books. So, maybe 25000-50000 users? Just a guess. Half of whatever the marketing folks tell you. :-)

Cheers,

David

P.S. I do think the number of *active* IDL users has been dropping precipitously in recent years. Changes in IDL 8 is likely to stem this tide, and if an emphasis on user needs continues, maybe it can even be reversed.

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