



**EPIC**

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# EPIC Themes & Priorities



- Improve Usability for users to find plug-ins
- Increase visibility of member plug-ins
- Add services/training component
- Increase number of plug-ins / Provide view of plug-ins from multiple sources
- Re-design home page
- Add organization view to EPIC
- Make it easier to user EPIC with Eclipse update manager
- Encourage contributions from community
- Increase traffic to EPIC
- Outreach programs

# EPIC Survey Results n=689



- 96% use Eclipse
- 47% visit EPIC at least monthly 17% were first timers
- 71% have downloaded a plug in from EPIC
- 64% are developers 11% Team/Project lead 10% Architects
- 36% ISV 15% SI/Consulting 8% Education 6% Finance 6% Telecommunications
- 85% are not from member organizations
- 88% are not involved in Eclipse Projects
- 36% produce Eclipse based products and services
  - 50% of those are commercial only
  - 16% of those are open source only
- 10% list plug ins on EPIC 15% plan to and 75% don't with no plans to
- 32% willing to participate in more in depth study

# How Much do you Value these EPIC Features



Open Source Plug-in listings	6.17
EPIC Plug-in Directory	5.80
Plug-in ratings	5.52
Top Plug-in list	5.45
New and Updated Plug-in list	5.31
Most Active Plug-in list	5.28
EPIC Eclipse Headlines and News	4.68
RSS Feeds	4.61
EPIC Forums	4.42
Featured Plug-in of the day	4.34
Commercial Plug-in listings	4.22
EPIC listing for your software	3.99

1 = No Value 4 = Some Value 7 = High Value

n=564

## How Strongly do you agree with the following:



The EPIC plug-in rankings and feedback is useful	5.32
I would like to see customer testimonials for plug-ins listed on EPIC.	5.18
EPIC should provide community building services for those listing plug-ins	4.87
EPIC should have a public Events Calendar where community members can post information on upcoming events related to Eclipse	4.53
I like the randomly chosen "Plug-in of the Day" on EPIC	4.42
EPIC should let organizations and individuals provide structured and unstructured information about their offerings company products and links	4.34
EPIC should provide listings for service providers who offer Eclipse-related training consulting etc.	4.19
I would like EPIC to provide a Speakers Bureau	4.02

1 = Strongly Disagree 4 = Don't Care 7 = Strongly Agree

n=531

## Other Plug in Portals



- Only 17 people (2.5%) indicated using other Eclipse plug in portals

[eclipse-plugins.2y.net](http://eclipse-plugins.2y.net)

[eclipse-plugins.info](http://eclipse-plugins.info)

[testdriven.net](http://testdriven.net)

[componentsource.com](http://componentsource.com)

[eclipse.org/community/commercialplugins.php](http://eclipse.org/community/commercialplugins.php)

[sourceforge.net](http://sourceforge.net)

[caudhaus.org](http://caudhaus.org)

Commercial Sites: [Zend.com](http://Zend.com)/[Rubypeople](http://Rubypeople.com)/[SpringIDE](http://SpringIDE.com)/[Rational](http://Rational.com)

# “What would you like to see added to EPIC?”



- Open ended question, ~150 quality responses
- 30% said better categorization, tagging and filtering of plugins
- 18% better web design
- 16% more details on plugin pages and supporting info on plugin pages (tutorials, reviews, help)
- 13% more flexible and powerful search abilities
- 8% integration between EPIC and update manager in SDK
- Misc (2 or more responses):
  - RSS Feeds for specific plugin updates
  - Ranking abuse checks and balances
  - More plugins
  - Sourceforge like hosting of plugins