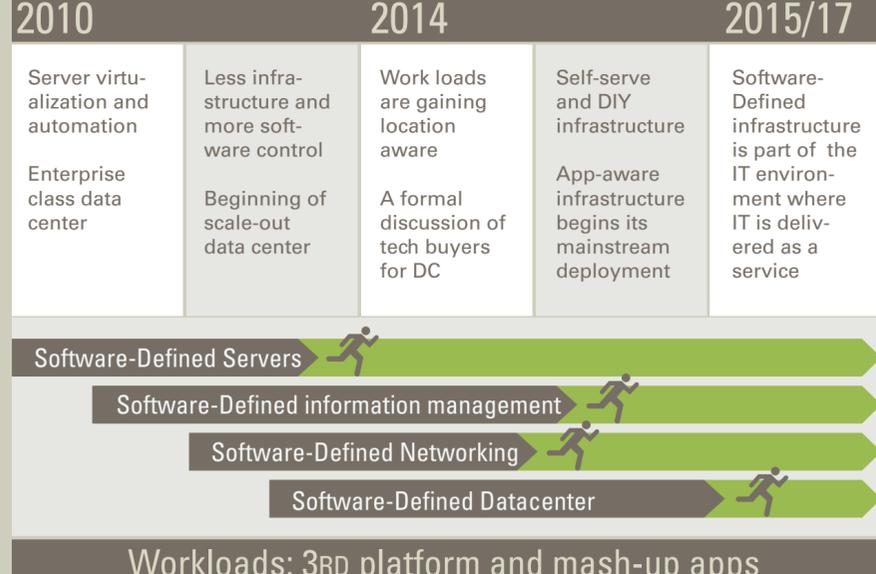


# THE SOFTWARE-DEFINED IT JOURNEY

The worlds of software-defined networking, storage and datacenter are emerging as a new approach to datacenter architecture. IDC explains how this software-controlled environment is essentially a loosely coupled set of software components that seek to virtualize and federate datacenter-wide hardware resources such as storage, compute, and network resources and eventually virtualize facilities-centric resources as well.



## New workloads defined Software-Defined Datacenter / Software-Defined Networking



APeJ virtualization rate in 2008 = **6.6%**

Integrated infrastructure markets reached **US\$2B** by 2016

Virtualization Rate In 2016 = **22.3%**

