Inventory Planner

A global paperboard/packaging manufacturer has reduced inventory by 30% with Inventory Planner. It has also delivered product at an improved customer service level.

Do business better.

With today's global supply chains, maintaining the optimal balance between available stock to meet service levels and investment in inventory is a complex trade-off. Most companies err on the side of keeping stock levels high as a buffer against demand uncertainty. But with the Inventory Planner module of Infor™ SCM Demand Planning, you can carefully analyze, model, and strike the right balance between target service levels and inventory—for improved supply chain performance and profitability.

Leverage experience.

How much inventory is enough? Which customers or products need it most? Can current service levels be met or exceeded with less inventory? Every day thousands of companies turn to Infor and leverage our 25+ years of supply chain experience to help answer these tough questions. Our proven expertise allows us to deliver solutions with a lower total cost of ownership due to reduced customization and integration costs.

With Inventory Planner you can redistribute inventory according to the predictability of customer demand, ensuring it's put to the best possible use in meeting tailored service levels. You also profit from the optimal use of inventory—one of your most important assets—by increasing stock turns, which directly impacts your competitiveness. By finding the optimal balance between service levels and inventory investment, you can essentially do more with less. And that translates to increases in customer fulfillment as well as reductions in overall inventory.

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Get business specific.

Inventory Planner helps you reach peak efficiency by enabling you to carefully control working capital investments—and target them at the right point in your supply chain to significantly enhance service levels.

Inventory optimization
With Inventory Planner you'll get stock levels right by calculating time-variable safety stock and target stock values for every product at every location in your network. Even if you expect demand to increase for a seasonal peak or promotion, Inventory Planner anticipates this increase and forward plans any changes in your target stock holding, so you can easily ramp up to meet the peak.

The best customer service levels
Using Inventory Planner you can predict the right customer service levels by comparing different inventory scenarios and committing the winning strategy to the system. By simulating the impact on service or stock levels of a reduction in lead-time or including the potential benefits of increased forecast accuracy, you can achieve the optimal balance between service levels and inventory investment and gauge the impact on profits.

See results now.

Stockholding costs, storage and handling costs, limited shelf life, obsolescence, wastage, and misuse of production capacity work together to limit the effectiveness of holding more inventory than you need to keep customers happy. The key is to strike the right balance, right now—and that's exactly what Inventory Planner can help you do. This powerful solution has helped companies like yours achieve results such as:

- Decreased inventory by up to 30% while increasing inventory turns
- Rebalanced inventory, putting more where it's needed to maximize service
- Improved on-time delivery performance
- Reduced obsolescence by 15%

About Infor

Infor delivers business-specific software to enterprising organizations. With experience built in, Infor's solutions enable businesses of all sizes to be more enterprising and adapt to the rapid changes of a global marketplace. With more than 70,000 customers, Infor is changing what businesses expect from an enterprise software provider. For additional information, visit www.infor.com.

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