

# VPOD Asset Management Infographics

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# Why Asset Management Costs Spiral at Scale

## WHY ASSET MANAGEMENT COSTS SPIRAL AT SCALE

### AND HOW TO CONTROL THEM

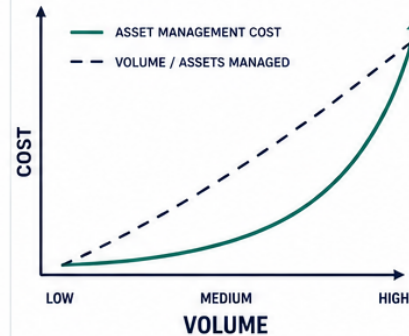
Asset management appears simple at small scale. Track items. Store them, Retrieve them. But as volume increases, costs don't rise gradually. They accelerate.



At scale, asset management doesn't just become expensive — it becomes inefficient by design. And most organisations don't realise the true cost until it's already embedded in operations.



### HOW COSTS BEHAVE AS VOLUME GROWS



Costs don't rise linearly. They accelerate.



More volume = more complexity.



More complexity = more cost.



Without system control, costs spiral out of control.



### THE GOAL: CONTROL COSTS BEFORE THEY SPIRAL.

Visibility, automation and efficient systems are the key.

### WHAT IS ASSET MANAGEMENT COST?

Asset management cost includes all resources required to:



#### STORE ASSETS

- Space
- Infrastructure
- Utilities
- Maintenance



#### TRACK ASSETS

- Systems
- Processes
- Technology
- Staff time



#### SECURE ASSETS

- Security staff
- Monitoring
- Access control
- Insurance



#### RETRIEVE ASSETS

- Handling time
- Queuing
- Verification
- Customer service



#### MANAGE OPERATIONS

- Administration
- Reconciliation
- Reporting
- Issue resolution

#### THIS APPLIES ACROSS:



EVENTS AND VENUES



HOTELS AND HOSPITALITY



WORKPLACES AND OFFICES



LOGISTICS AND PARCEL ENVIRONMENTS

### WHY COSTS SPIRAL AT SCALE



#### VOLUME CREATES COMPLEXITY

More assets = more transactions, more touchpoints, more exceptions.



#### MANUAL PROCESSES DON'T SCALE

More staff, more time, more errors, more cost.



#### SPACE BECOMES EXPENSIVE

More storage space, off-site locations and infrastructure are required.



#### SECURITY RISK INCREASES

More items to protect = more security resources and higher liability.



#### INVISIBLE COSTS MULTIPLY

Lost items, delays, disputes, customer complaints and operational inefficiencies.

### THE HIDDEN COSTS MOST ORGANISATIONS MISS



#### LOST AND MISPLACED ITEMS

Replacement costs, compensation, and customer dissatisfaction.



#### EXCESS STAFFING

More people required to manage manual, inefficient processes.



#### DOWNTIME AND DELAYS

Slow retrieval and long queues impact productivity and experience.



#### ERRORS AND DISPUTES

Inaccurate tracking leads to disputes, chargebacks and reputational damage.



#### POOR DATA AND REPORTING

Lack of visibility leads to poor decisions and missed optimisation opportunities.



These costs are real. They are recurring. And they grow with scale.



THE SOLUTION:  
SYSTEMS THAT SCALE WITH YOU,  
NOT AGAINST YOU.



AUTOMATE STORAGE AND RETRIEVAL



REAL-TIME VISIBILITY AND TRACKING



REDUCE LABOUR AND ERRORS



OPTIMISE SPACE AND RESOURCES



IMPROVE SECURITY AND COMPLIANCE



CONTROL COSTS. DRIVE EFFICIENCY. SCALE CONFIDENTLY.



CONTROL TODAY. SAVE TOMORROW. SCALE SMART.

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# Why Traditional Cost Reduction Strategies Fail

## WHY TRADITIONAL COST REDUCTION STRATEGIES FAIL

Traditional approaches treat symptoms, not the cost structure.

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**“ADD MORE STAFF TO IMPROVE SPEED”**

  - Increases cost directly
  - Limited efficiency gain
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**“OPTIMISE PROCESSES”**


  - Marginal improvements
  - Does not change cost structure
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**“EXPAND STORAGE SPACE”**

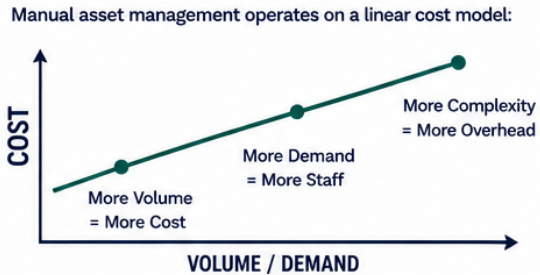
  - High capital cost
  - Does not improve efficiency
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**“IMPROVE TRAINING”**

  - Reduces errors slightly
  - Does not reduce labour dependency







 These strategies keep costs high because the underlying model is linear.

### THE CORE PROBLEM: COST STRUCTURE IS LINEAR



This model does not scale. As volume grows, costs rise proportionally.

 **MODERN ENVIRONMENTS REQUIRE:** Scalable systems where cost does not increase proportionally with demand.

TRADITIONAL MODEL (LINEAR COST)	VS	AUTOMATED MODEL (SCALABLE COST)
 More volume requires more staff		 More volume does not require more staff
 Costs rise linearly with demand		 Costs remain stable as demand grows
 Limited scalability		 High scalability and flexibility
<b>HIGHER COSTS. LOWER FLEXIBILITY. LIMITED GROWTH.</b>		<b>CONTROL COSTS. IMPROVE EFFICIENCY. ENABLE GROWTH.</b>

### THE SCALABLE ALTERNATIVE: AUTOMATED ASSET MANAGEMENT

To control costs, organisations must shift to:


-  **AUTOMATION**
-  **SELF-SERVICE SYSTEMS**
-  **PARALLEL PROCESSING**

#### SMART LOCKER SYSTEMS

Smart lockers fundamentally change the cost model.

-  **REDUCE LABOUR DEPENDENCY**
  - Minimal staff required
  - Lower ongoing operational cost
-  **ENABLE SELF-SERVICE AT SCALE**
  - Users manage their own storage
  - No staff interaction needed
-  **INCREASE THROUGHPUT WITHOUT INCREASING COST**
  - More transactions handled simultaneously
  - No linear cost increase
-  **OPTIMISE SPACE UTILISATION**
  - Structured, efficient storage
  - Reduced footprint
-  **PROVIDE REAL-TIME VISIBILITY**
  - Full tracking of assets
  - Reduced loss and error



 **THE RESULT:** A SCALABLE COST MODEL THAT DRIVES EFFICIENCY AND GROWTH.

 **60-80% REDUCTION IN LABOUR COSTS**

 **LOWER OPERATIONAL OVERHEAD**

 **HIGHER THROUGHPUT AND CAPACITY**

 **REDUCED RISK, LOSS AND LIABILITY**


 **IMPROVED CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE AND SATISFACTION**


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# The Hidden Cost Multipliers

## THE HIDDEN COST MULTIPLIERS

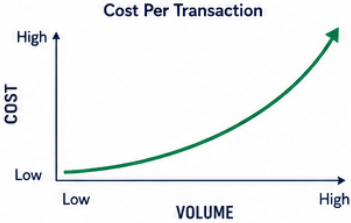
When asset management scales, **hidden costs multiply** — and quietly erode profitability.


 These costs are often invisible in small operations — but become significant at scale.


**1**  **COST PER TRANSACTION INCREASES AT SCALE**

Manual systems become slower under pressure:

- Each transaction takes longer
- Staff efficiency drops
- Cost per item increases





**IMPACT:**  More volume = higher cost per transaction.


**2**  **MANAGEMENT OVERHEAD GROWS**

As operations scale:

- More supervisors are required
- More coordination is needed
- More complexity is introduced




**IMPACT:**  Higher administrative cost and operational complexity.

**3**  **TIME BECOMES A COST DRIVER**


Delays in:


- Storage
- Retrieval
- Issue resolution



...translate directly into:


- Labour cost
- Customer dissatisfaction
- Lost revenue


**IMPACT:**  Time lost in operations is money lost.

**4**  **REVENUE OPPORTUNITY LOSS**

Inefficient asset management reduces:

- Throughput
- Customer capacity
- Monetisation opportunities



**IMPACT:**  Less throughput and lower capacity = less revenue.

TOGETHER, THESE MULTIPLIERS CREATE A **COMPOUNDING EFFECT.**



Higher costs per transaction + More management overhead + More time wasted + Less revenue captured = **EXPONENTIALLY HIGHER TOTAL COST OF OWNERSHIP**

**THE SOLUTION: REMOVE HIDDEN COST MULTIPLIERS**

Automated asset management systems:

-  **SPEED UP TRANSACTIONS**
-  **REDUCE MANAGEMENT OVERHEAD**
-  **ELIMINATE DELAYS AND ERRORS**
-  **INCREASE REVENUE OPPORTUNITIES**

**VPOD** SMART LOCKERS | **CONTROL COSTS. IMPROVE EFFICIENCY. UNLOCK GROWTH.**

# Why Costs Increase Rapidly at Scale

## WHY COSTS INCREASE RAPIDLY AT SCALE

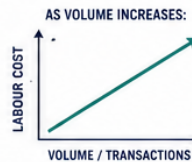
As volume grows, traditional asset management becomes exponentially more expensive.

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MORE ASSETS.  
MORE COMPLEXITY.  
MORE COST.  
LESS CONTROL.

### 1 LABOUR COSTS SCALE LINEARLY



More staff are needed



More shifts are required



Costs rise directly with demand

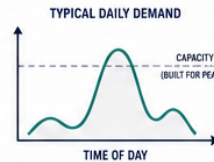
MORE ASSETS = MORE PEOPLE = HIGHER COST

### 2 PEAK DEMAND DRIVES OVERSTAFFING



ASSET ACTIVITY IS NOT EVENLY DISTRIBUTED.

- Demand spikes at specific times
- Capacity must be built for peak periods



Idle staff during low demand



Overstaffing during peaks



Inefficient labour utilisation

BUILDING FOR PEAK = WASTED CAPACITY = HIGHER COSTS

### 3 MANUAL PROCESSES CREATE HIDDEN COSTS



MANUAL ASSET MANAGEMENT INTRODUCES:

- Time delays
- Error handling
- Rework

THESE CREATE INDIRECT COSTS:

- Lost productivity
- Increased management overhead
- Operational inefficiency



Delays



Errors



Rework



Higher Costs

SLOWER PROCESSES = HIGHER COSTS

### 4 SPACE COSTS INCREASE WITH VOLUME



MANUAL STORAGE REQUIRES:

- Physical rooms
- Shelving and infrastructure
- Expansion as demand grows

AT SCALE:

- Space becomes constrained
- Expansion becomes expensive
- Prime real estate is consumed



More Space Required



Higher Rental or Build Costs



Prime Space Consumed



Higher Overhead

MORE VOLUME = MORE SPACE = MORE COST

### 5 LOSS, DAMAGE, AND ERRORS ADD FINANCIAL RISK



WITHOUT STRONG TRACKING:

- Items are misplaced
- Items are lost
- Items are damaged

THIS LEADS TO:

- Compensation claims
- Insurance costs
- Customer dissatisfaction



Lost



Damaged



Financial Risk

POOR CONTROL = FINANCIAL IMPACT

### 6 LACK OF VISIBILITY DRIVES INEFFICIENCY



WITHOUT REAL-TIME DATA:

- Assets cannot be located quickly
- Decisions are delayed
- Resources are misallocated

THE RESULT:

- Longer resolution times
- Poor planning
- Higher operational cost



Delayed Decisions



Misallocated Resources



Higher Costs

NO VISIBILITY = MORE WASTE = HIGHER COSTS



COSTS DON'T JUST RISE. THEY ACCELERATE.

THE REAL COST IMPACT AT SCALE:



HIGHER LABOUR COSTS



LOWER PRODUCTIVITY



HIGHER FACILITY COSTS



HIGHER RISK AND LIABILITY



LOWER SERVICE LEVELS



REDUCED PROFIT MARGINS



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# Real Financial Impact

## REAL FINANCIAL IMPACT

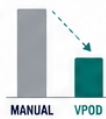
Automated asset management changes your cost model. The results speak for themselves.

### WITH VPOD AUTOMATED ASSET MANAGEMENT:



**LABOUR COSTS REDUCED SIGNIFICANTLY**  
Less staff required.  
Lower ongoing operational cost.

LABOUR COST SAVINGS  
**60-80%**  
on average



**COST PER TRANSACTION DECREASES**  
Automation reduces time, errors and step complexity.

COST PER TRANSACTION  
**40-70%**  
lower



**HIGHER THROUGHPUT ACHIEVED**  
More transactions handled simultaneously without increasing cost.

THROUGHPUT INCREASE  
**2-5x**  
or more



**SPACE UTILISATION IMPROVED**  
Structured storage in a smaller footprint. Lower real estate cost.

SPACE SAVINGS  
**30-60%**  
on average



**ROI ACHIEVED WITHIN PREDICTABLE TIMEFRAMES**  
Fast payback. Measurable returns.  
Sustainable long-term savings.

TYPICAL ROI ACHIEVED IN  
**6-18 MONTHS**



### FINANCIAL BENEFITS AT A GLANCE

- ✓ Lower total cost of ownership
- ✓ Predictable operational expenses
- ✓ Scalable without linear cost increase
- ✓ Reduced financial risk from loss and errors
- ✓ Stronger profitability and cost control

## THE BOTTOM LINE

Asset management costs don't increase because of poor management.

They increase because:

**THE SYSTEM IS NOT DESIGNED TO SCALE EFFICIENTLY.**

AT SCALE:



LABOUR COSTS RISE



COMPLEXITY INCREASES



INEFFICIENCY COMPOUNDS



**THE SOLUTION IS NOT COST-CUTTING. IT'S CHANGING THE COST MODEL ENTIRELY.**

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LOWER COSTS



HIGHER THROUGHPUT



BETTER UTILISATION



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SCALE WITHOUT THE ESCALATING COSTS.