

Decentralization in Organizations

Decentralization

**Benefits of** 

Top management freed to concentrate on strategy.

Lower-level managers gain experience in decision-making.

Decision-making authority leads to job satisfaction.

Lower-level decision often based on better information.

Improves ability to evaluate managers.

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Lower-level managers may make decisions without seeing the "big picture." May be a lack of coordination among autonomous managers.

Lower-level manager's objectives may not be those of the organization. Disadvantages of Decentralization

May be difficult to spread innovative ideas in the organization.

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## Decentralization and Segment Reporting

A segment is any part or activity of an organization about which a manager seeks cost, revenue, or profit data. A segment can be . . .

#### An Individual Store



**A Sales Territory** 





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## Cost, Profit, and Investments Centers

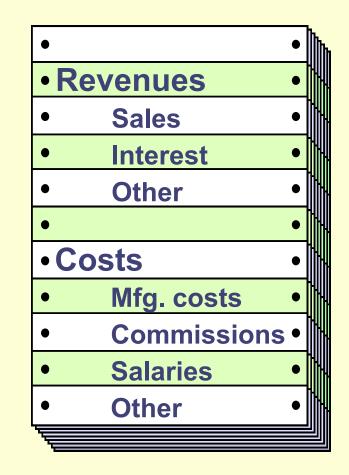
### **Cost Center** A segment whose manager has control over costs, but not over revenues or investment funds.



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## Cost, Profit, and Investments Centers

### Profit Center A segment whose manager has control over both costs and revenues, but no control over investment funds.



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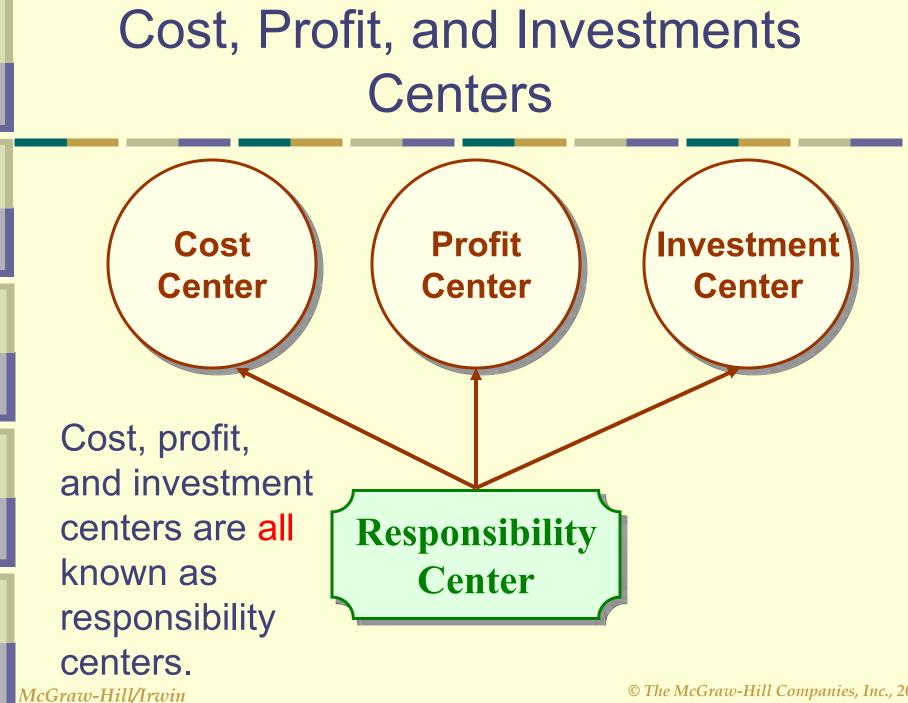
#### Investment Center

A segment whose manager has control over costs, revenues, and investments in operating assets.

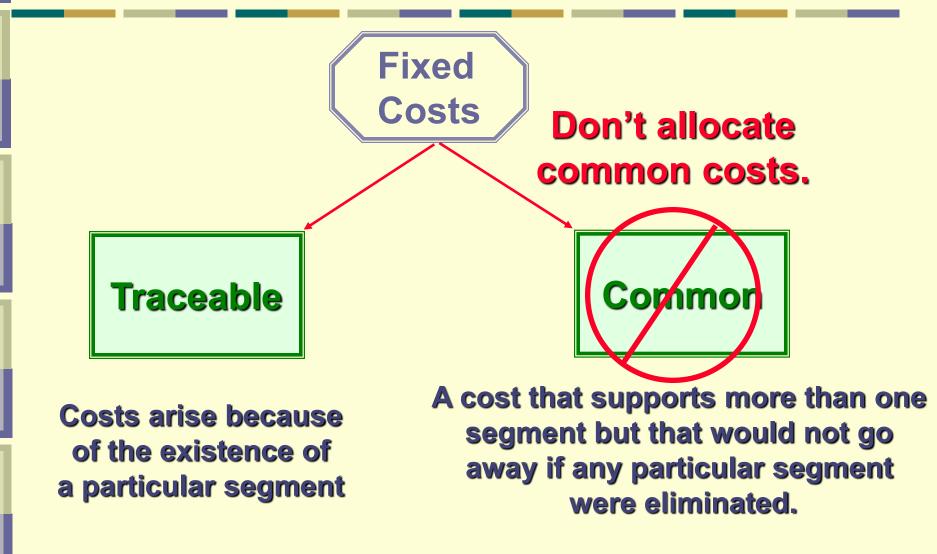
#### **Corporate Headquarters**



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## **Traceable and Common Costs**

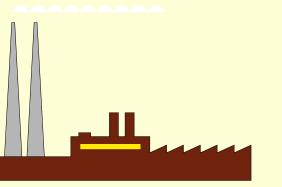


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## Identifying Traceable Fixed Costs

**Traceable costs** would disappear over time if the segment itself disappeared.

# No computer division means . . .



No computer division manager.

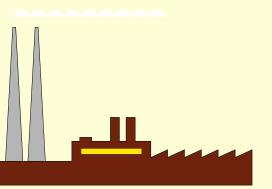


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## Identifying Common Fixed Costs

Common costs arise because of overall operation of the company and are not due to the existence of a particular segment.

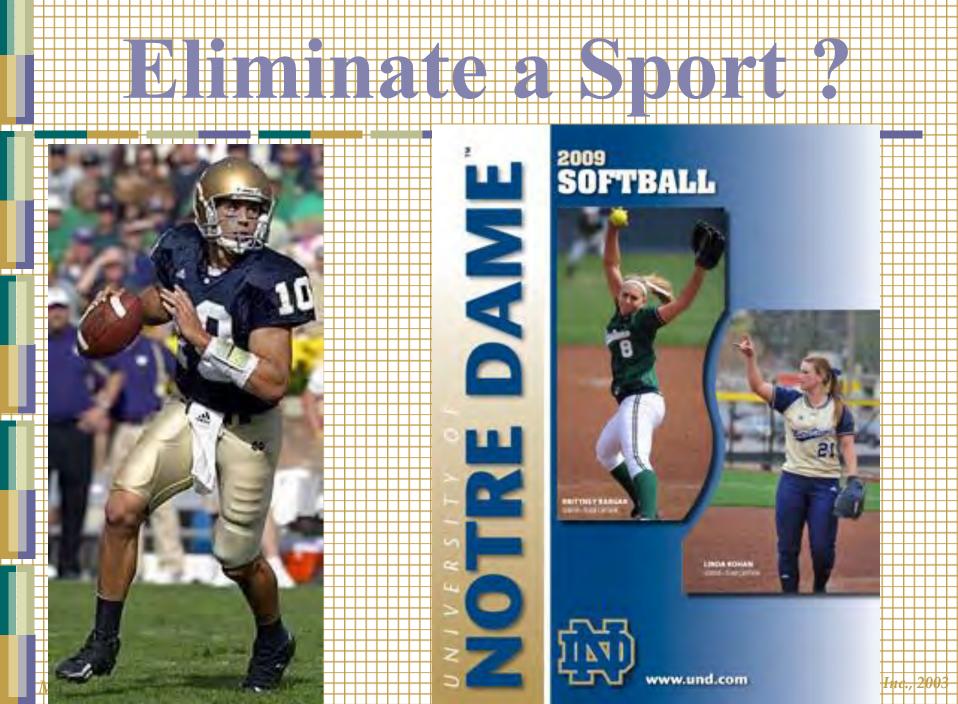
# No computer division but . . .



We still have a company president.



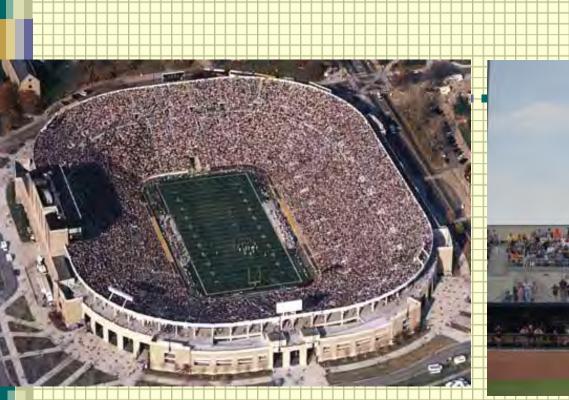
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#### Traceable VARIABLE Costs ...



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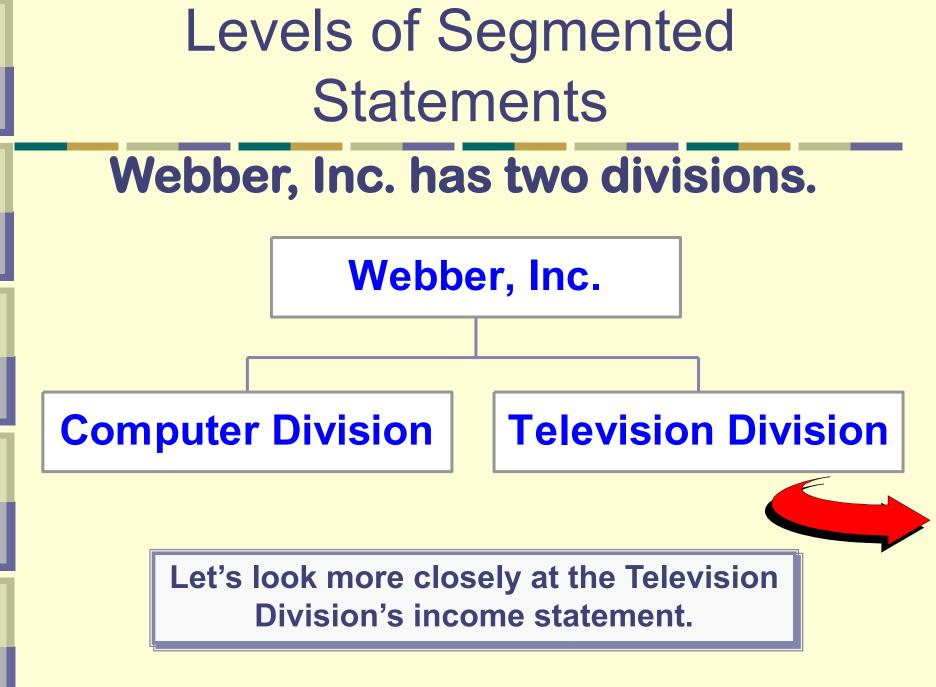


## Traceable Fixed Costs ...

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## **COMMON Fixed Costs ?**

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Our approach to segment reporting uses the contribution form<u>at.</u>

**Cost of goods Income Statement** sold consists of **Contribution Margin Format** variable **Television Division** manufacturing \$300,000 Sales costs. 120,000 Variable COGS 30,000 Other variable costs **Fixed and** 150,000 Total variable costs variable costs 150,000 **Contribution margin** are listed in 90,000 Traceable fixed costs separate 60,000 **Division margin** sections.

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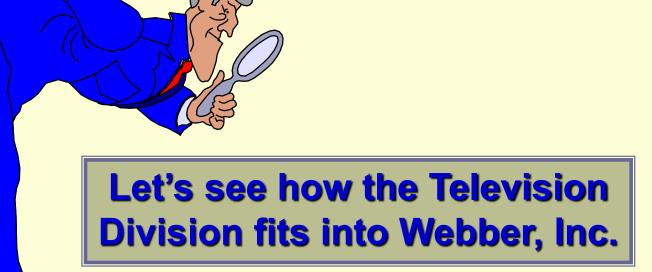
Income Statement

**Contribution Margin Format** 

**Television Division** 

Sales Variable COGS Other variable costs Total variable costs Contribution margin Traceable fixed costs Division margin \$300,000 120,000 30,000 150,000 150,000 90,000 \$60,000

Segment margin is Television's contribution to profits.





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| Income Statement       |            |            |            |  |
|------------------------|------------|------------|------------|--|
|                        | Company    | Television | Computer   |  |
| Sales                  | \$ 500,000 | \$ 300,000 | \$ 200,000 |  |
| Variable costs         | 230,000    | 150,000    | 80,000     |  |
| СМ                     | 270,000    | 150,000    | 120,000    |  |
| Traceable FC           | 170,000    | 90,000     | 80,000     |  |
| <b>Division margin</b> | 100,000    | \$ 60,000  | \$ 40,000  |  |
| Common costs           |            |            |            |  |
| Net operating          |            |            |            |  |
| income                 |            |            |            |  |

| Income Statement       |            |   |               |  |
|------------------------|------------|---|---------------|--|
|                        | Company    | Television  | Computer      |  |
| Sales                  | \$ 500,000 | \$ 300,000  | \$ 200,000    |  |
| Variable costs         | 230,000    | 150,000   | 80,000        |  |
| СМ                     | 270,000    | 150,000   | 120,000       |  |
| Traceable FC           | 170,000    | 90,000  | 80,000        |  |
| <b>Division margin</b> | 100,000    | \$ 60,000   | \$ 40,000     |  |
| Common costs           | 25,000     |   | to obould not |  |
| Net operating income   | \$ 75,000  | Common costs should no<br>be allocated to the<br>divisions. These costs<br>would remain even if one<br>of the divisions were<br>eliminated. |               |  |
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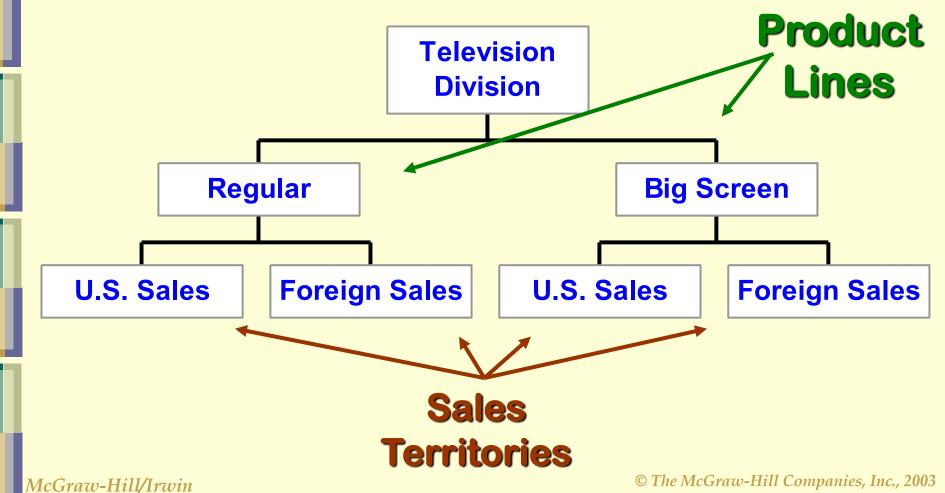
Fixed costs that are traceable on one segmented statement can become common if the company is divided into smaller segments.

Let's see how this works!



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#### **Webber's Television Division**



| Income Statement    |            |    |         |    |          |
|---------------------|------------|----|---------|----|----------|
|                     | Television |    |         |    |          |
|                     | Division   | R  | legular | Bi | g Screen |
| Sales               |            | \$ | 200,000 | \$ | 100,000  |
| Variable costs      |            |    | 95,000  | _  | 55,000   |
| СМ                  |            |    | 105,000 |    | 45,000   |
| Traceable FC        |            |    | 45,000  |    | 35,000   |
| Product line margin |            | \$ | 60,000  | \$ | 10,000   |
| Common costs        |            |    |         |    |          |
| Divisional margin   |            |    |         |    |          |

# We obtained the following information from the Regular and Big Screen segments.

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|                     | Income St  | atement    |                   |
|---------------------|--|------------|-------------------|
|                     | Television   | 1          |                   |
|                     | Division   | Regular    | <b>Big Screen</b> |
| Sales               | \$ 300,000   | \$ 200,000 | \$ 100,000        |
| Variable costs      | 150,000  | 95,000     | 55,000            |
| СМ                  |  | 105,000    | 45,000            |
| Traceable FC        | 80,000   | 45,000     | 35,000            |
| Product line margin | 70,000   | \$ 60,000  | \$ 10,000         |
| Common costs        | 10,000   |            |                   |
| Divisional margin   | \$ 60,000  |            |                   |
|                     |  |            | irectly traced    |
|                     | to the Television Division<br>\$80,000 + \$10,000 = \$90,000 |            |                   |

| Income Statement    |            |            |                   |  |
|---------------------|------------|------------|-------------------|--|
|                     | Television |            |                   |  |
|                     | Division   | Regular    | <b>Big Screen</b> |  |
| Sales               | \$ 300,000 | \$ 200,000 | \$ 100,000        |  |
| Variable costs      | 150,000    | 95,000     | 55,000            |  |
| СМ                  | 150,000    | 105,000    | 45,000            |  |
| Traceable FC        | 80,000     | 45,000     | 35,000            |  |
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| Common costs        | 10,000     |            |                   |  |
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Of the \$90,000 cost directly traced to the Television Division, \$45,000 is traceable to Regular and \$35,000 traceable to Big Screen product lines.

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|---------------------|------------|------------|------------|--|
|                     | Television |            |            |  |
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|                     |            |            |            |  |

The remaining \$10,000 cannot be traced to either the Regular or Big Screen product lines.

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#### Common Fixed Costs.....

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### TRACEABLE Fixed Costs.....

## Segment Margin

# The segment margin is the **best gauge** of the long-run profitability of a segment.





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Hindrances to Proper Cost Assignment

## **The Problems**

Omission of some costs in the assignment process. Assignment of costs to segments that are really common costs of the entire organization.

The use of inappropriate methods for allocating costs among segments.

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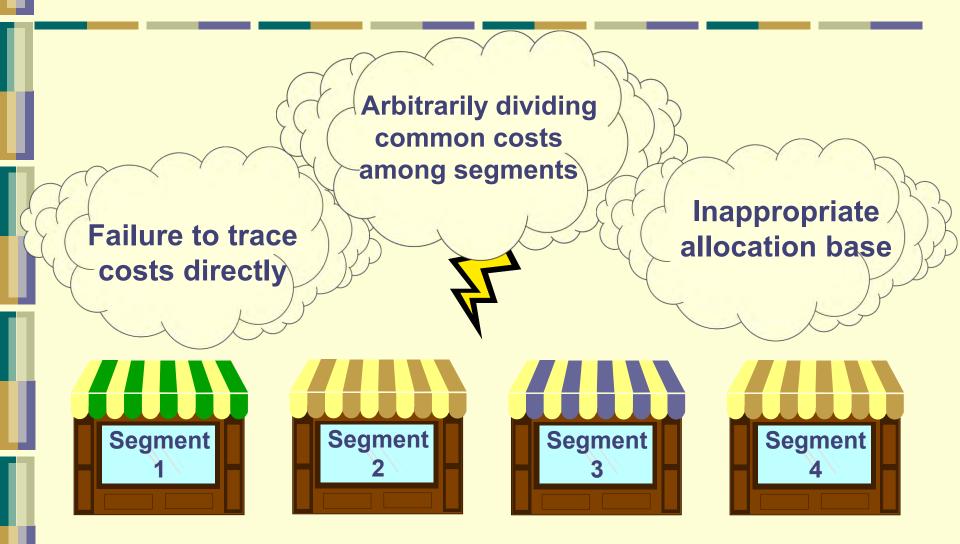
## **Omission of Costs**

Costs assigned to a segment should include all costs attributable to that segment from the company's entire value chain.

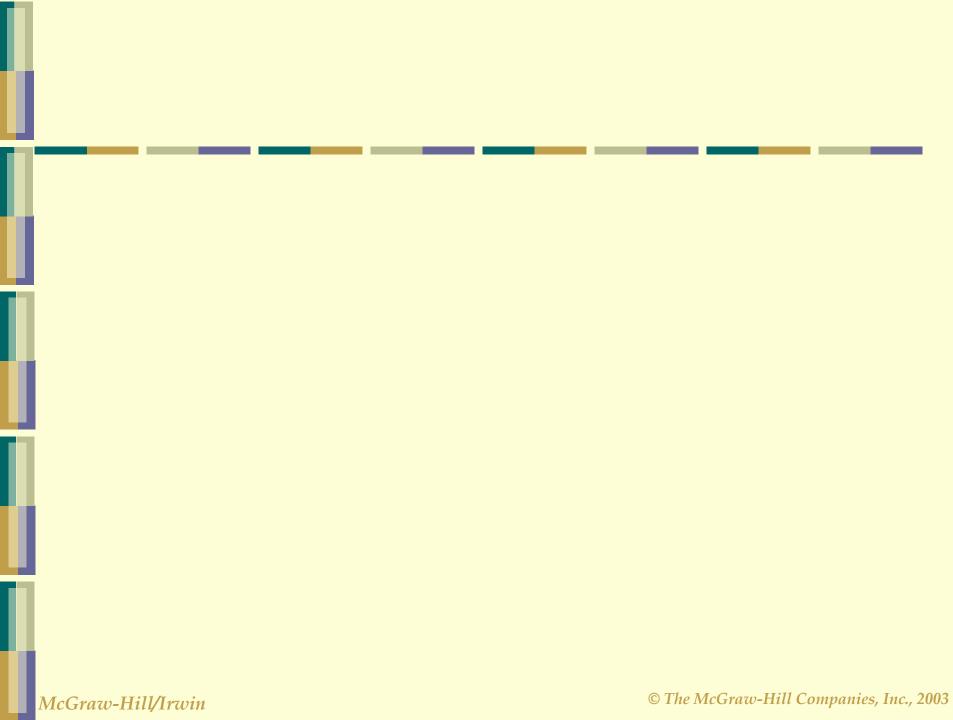
> Business Functions Making Up The Value Chain

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### Inappropriate Methods of Allocating Costs Among Segments



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### **Allocations of Common Costs**

|                | Income State | ment       |            |
|----------------|--------------|------------|------------|
|                | Haglund's    |            |            |
|                | Lakeshore    | Bar        | Restaurant |
| Sales          | \$ 800,000   | \$ 100,000 | \$ 700,000 |
| Variable costs | 310,000      | 60,000     | 250,000    |
| СМ             | 490,000      | 40,000     | 450,000    |
| Traceable FC   | 246,000      | 26,000     | 220,000    |
| Segment margin | 244,000      | \$ 14,000  | \$ 230,000 |
| Common costs   | 200,000      |            |            |
| Profit         | \$ 44,000    |            |            |

## Quick Check ✓

How much of the common fixed cost of \$200,000 can be avoided by eliminating the bar?

- a. None of it.
- b. Some of it.
- c. All of it.

How much of the common fixed cost of \$200,000 can be avoided by eliminating the bar? a. None of it. b. Some of it. c. All of it. A common fixed cost cannot be eliminated by dropping one of

the segments.

How much of the common fixed cost of \$200,000 can be avoided by going out of business entirely?

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- b. Some of it.
- c. All of it.

How much of the common fixed cost of \$200,000 can be avoided by going out of business entirely?

a. None of it.

b. Some of it.

c. All of it.

A common fixed cost can be eliminated if all of the segments it supports are eliminated.

Suppose square feet is used as the basis for allocating the common fixed cost of \$200,000. How much would be allocated to the bar if the bar occupies 1,000 square feet and the restaurant 9,000 square feet?

- a. 1/10 of \$200,000
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The total amount of the allocation base is 10,000 square feet. So the bar would be allocated 1/10 of the cost.

#### **Allocations of Common Costs**

| Income Statement                 |              |               |                              |  |  |
|----------------------------------|--------------|---------------|------------------------------|--|--|
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| Common costs                     | 200,000      | <b>25,000</b> | <b>175,000</b>               |  |  |
| Profit 🙀                         | \$ 44,000    | \$ (11,000)   | \$ 55,000                    |  |  |
|                                  |              |               |                              |  |  |
| Allocated on the basis of sales. |              |               |                              |  |  |
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#### **Allocations of Common Costs**

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|                               |            |             |                             |  |
|                               |            |             |                             |  |
|                               |            |             |                             |  |
|                               |            |             |                             |  |
| Whoops, what about the bar??? |            |             |                             |  |
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Should the bar be eliminated? a. Yes b. No

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#### Should the bar be eliminated?

a. Yes b. No

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| Should the bar be eliminated?   |   |   |  |  |
|---|---|---|--|--|
| a. Yes<br>b.No  | The profit was \$44,000 before<br>eliminating the bar. If we eliminate<br>the bar, profit drops to \$30,000!  |   |  |  |
| Sales<br>Variable costs<br>CM<br>Traceable FC<br>Segment margin<br>Common costs<br>Profit | Haglund's       Bar         \$ 700,000       8         \$ 700,000       9         250,000       9         450,000       10         220,000       10         230,000       10         \$ 30,000       10 | Restaurant         \$ 700,000         250,000         450,000         220,000         230,000         200,000         \$ 30,000 |  |  |

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# **Teaching Note**



Allocating common fixed costs to the segments those fixed costs support is a recipe for disaster



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Income before interest and taxes (EBIT)

#### **ROI =** Net operating income Average operating assets

Cash, accounts receivable, inventory, plant and equipment, and other productive assets.

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# Regal Company reports the<br/>following:Net operating incomeAverage operating assets\$ 2Sales\$ 5

\$ 30,000 \$ 200,000 \$ 500,000

$$\mathsf{ROI} = \frac{\$30,000}{\$200,000} = 15\%$$



#### Margin = Net operating income Sales

 Turnover =
 Sales

 Average operating assets

#### **ROI = Margin × Turnover**

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 $ROI = \frac{Net operating income}{Sales} \times \frac{Sales}{Average operating assets}$ 

 $\mathsf{ROI} = \frac{\$30,000}{\$500,000} \times \frac{\$500,000}{\$200,000}$ 

 $ROI = 6\% \times 2.5 = 15\%$ 

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# Controlling the Rate of Return



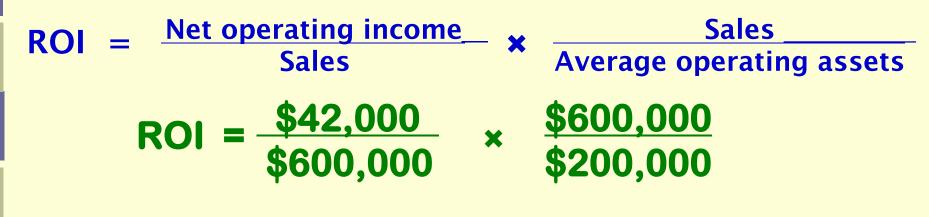
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# Controlling the Rate of Return

- Regal's manager was able to increase sales to \$600,000 which increased net operating income to \$42,000.
- There was no change in the average operating assets of the segment.

#### Let's calculate the new ROI.

#### **ROI = Margin × Turnover**



 $ROI = 7\% \times 3.0 = 21\%$ 

**ROI increased from 15% to 21%** 

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# **Criticisms of ROI**

In the absence of the balanced scorecard, management may not know how to increase ROI.

Managers often inherit many committed costs over which they have no control.

Managers evaluated on ROI may reject profitable investment opportunities.



# **Criticisms of ROI**

- As division manager at Winston, Inc., your compensation package includes a salary plus bonus based on your division's ROI -- the higher your ROI, the bigger your bonus.
- The company requires an ROI of 15% on all new investments -- your division has been producing an ROI of 30%.
- You have an opportunity to invest in a new project that will produce an ROI of 25%.

# As division manager would you invest in this project?

# **Criticisms of ROI**



Residual Income - Another Measure of Performance



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# **Residual Income**

- A division of Zepher, Inc. has average operating assets of \$100,000 and is required to earn a return of 20% on these assets.
- In the current period the division earns \$30,000.

#### Let's calculate residual income.

# **Residual Income**

Operating assets Required rate of return ×\_ Required income

Actual income\$ 30,000Required income(20,000)Residual income\$ 10,000

\$100,000

20,000

20%

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Redmond Awnings, a division of Wrapup Corp., has a net operating income of \$60,000 and average operating assets of \$300,000. The required rate of return for the company is 15%. What is the division's ROI?

- a. 25%
- b. 5%
- c. 15%
- d. 20%

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a. 25%
b. 5%
c. 15%
d. 20%

ROI = NOI/Average operating assets

= \$60,000/\$300,000 = 20%

Redmond Awnings, a division of Wrapup Corp., has a net operating income of \$60,000 and average operating assets of \$300,000. If the manager of the division is evaluated based on ROI, will she want to make an investment of \$100,000 that would generate additional net operating income of \$18,000 per year? a. Yes

b. No

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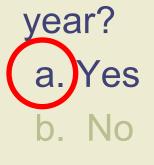
a. Yes b. No ROI = \$78,000/\$400,000 = 19.5%

This lowers the division's ROI from 20.0% down to 19.5%.

The company's required rate of return is 15%. Would the company want the manager of the Redmond Awnings division to make an investment of \$100,000 that would generate additional net operating income of \$18,000 per year?

- a. Yes
- b. No

The company's required rate of return is 15%. Would the company want the manager of the Redmond Awnings division to make an investment of \$100,000 that would generate additional net operating income of \$18,000 per



ROI = \$18,000/\$100,000 = 18%

The return on the investment exceeds the minimum required rate of return.

Redmond Awnings, a division of Wrapup Corp., has a net operating income of \$60,000 and average operating assets of \$300,000. The required rate of return for the company is 15%. What is the division's residual income?

- a. \$240,000
- b. \$ 45,000
- c. \$ 15,000
- d. \$ 51,000

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a. \$240,000

b.\$ 45,000

\$ 15,000

Net operating income\$60Required return (15% of \$300,000)\$45McGrawResidual income\$15

\$60,000 <u>\$45,000</u> \$15,000

If the manager of the Redmond Awnings division is evaluated based on residual income, will she want to make an investment of \$100,000 that would generate additional net operating income of \$18,000 per year?

- a. Yes
- b. No

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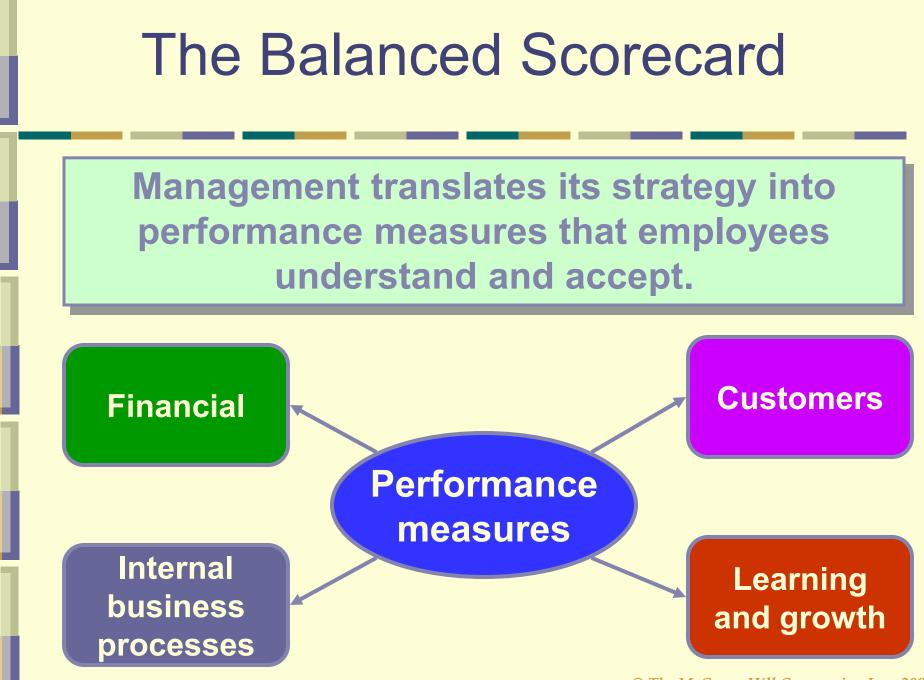
a. YesNet operating income\$78,000b. NoRequired return (15% of \$400,000) <u>\$60,000</u>\$18,000Residual income\$18,000This is an increase of \$3,000 in the residualincome.

# Motivation and Residual Income

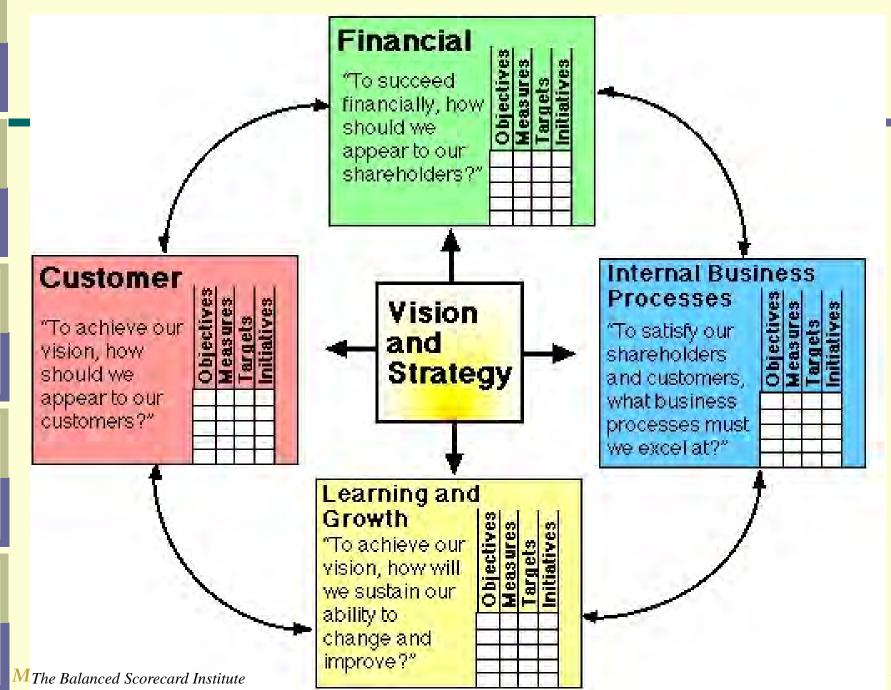
Residual income encourages managers to make profitable investments that would be rejected by managers using ROI.

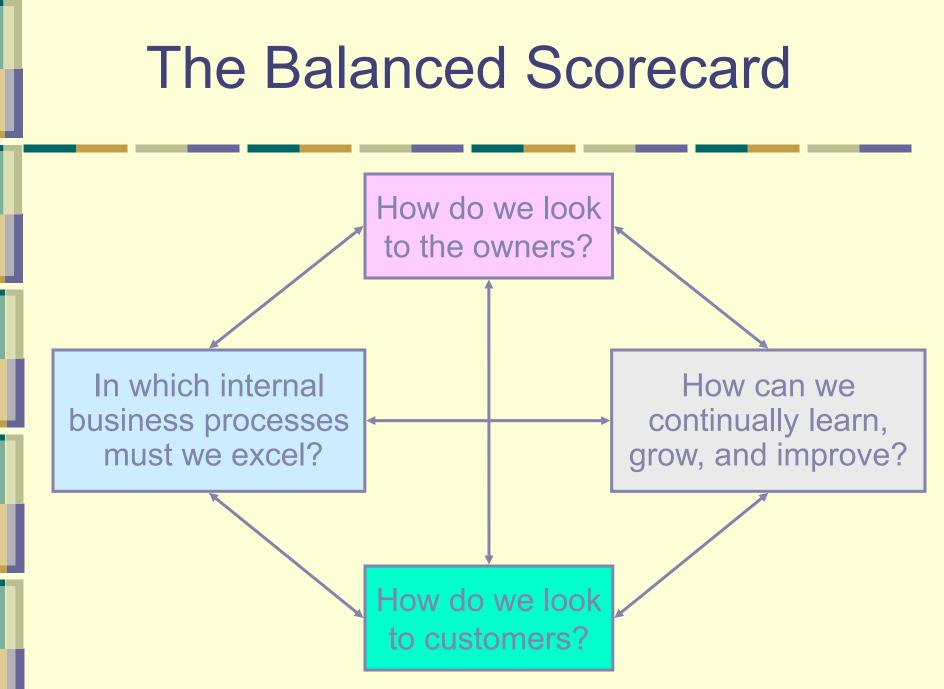


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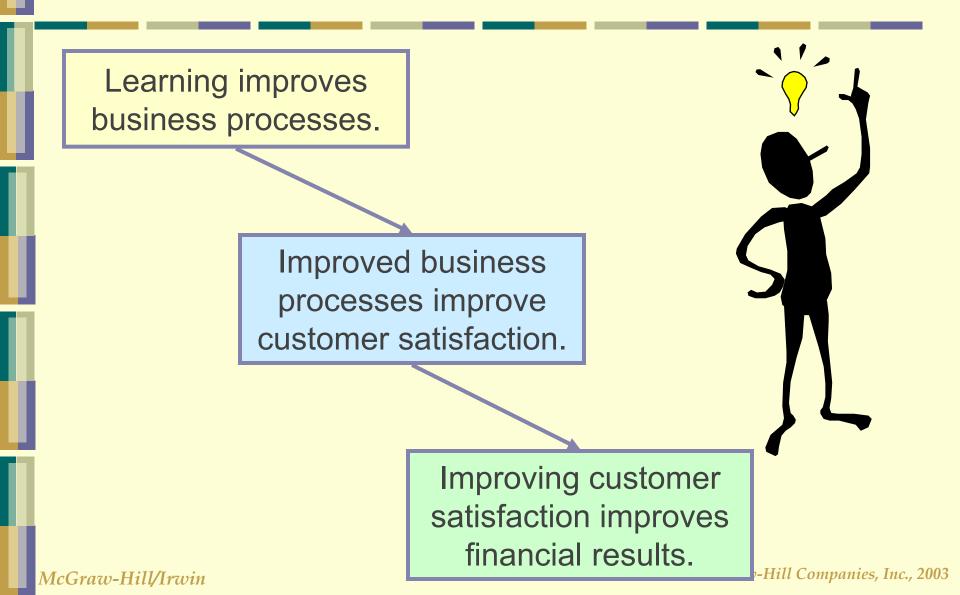


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### The Balanced Scorecard



# Benefits of Balance Scorecard

### **If implemented well:**

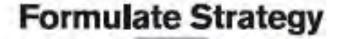
- Forces management to articulate a coherent strategy.
- Strategy is communicated throughout organization.
- Performance measures are more likely to be consistent with strategy and actionable.
- Portfolio of measures reduces gaming problems.
- Feedback loop makes strategy dynamic.

# Some Possible Problems

### **Cultural/behavioral**

- Program fatigue.
- Culture shock/resistance.
- Every existing performance measure has a champion.
- Gaming still possible.

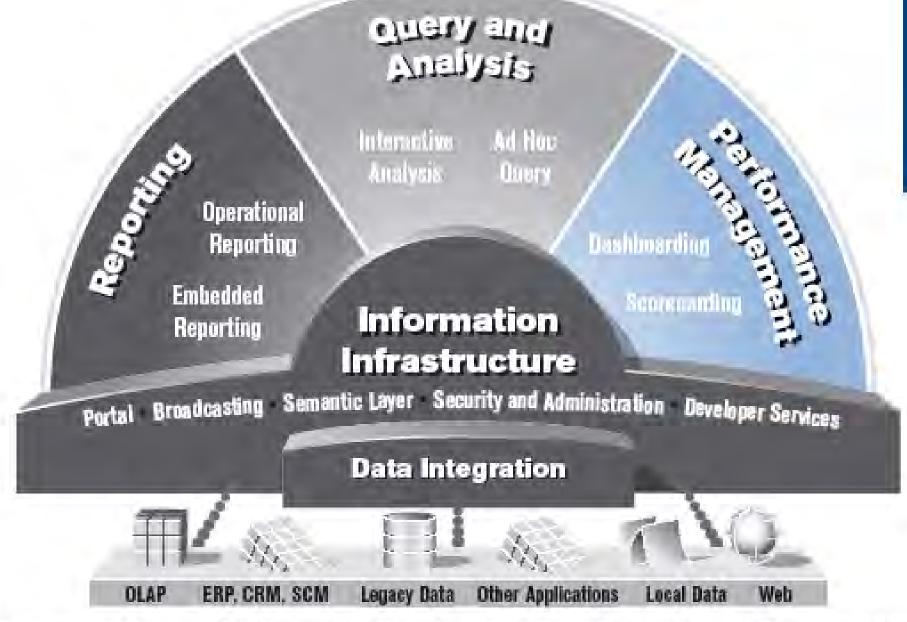




Enterprise performance management is a process that connects goals, metrics, and people in order to drive improved management, analysis, and action across the organization.

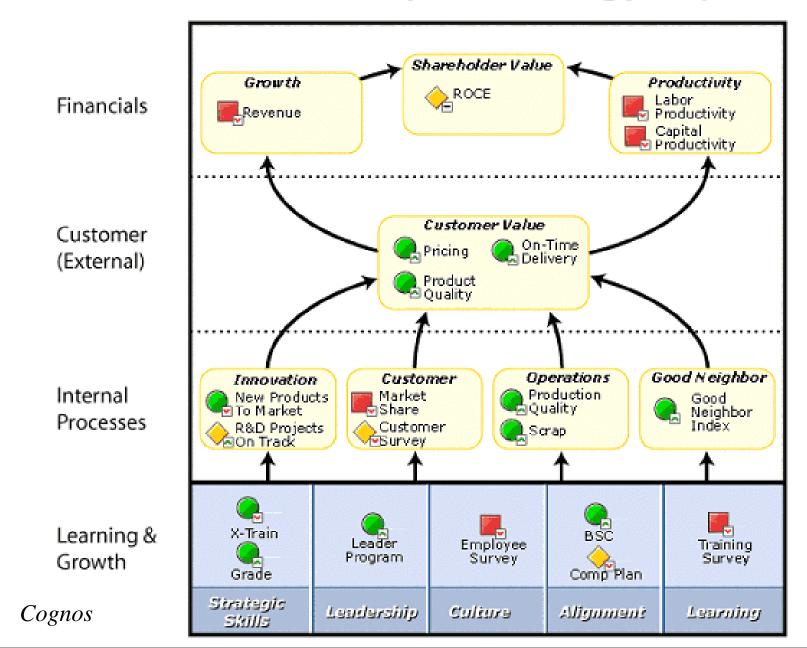


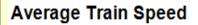
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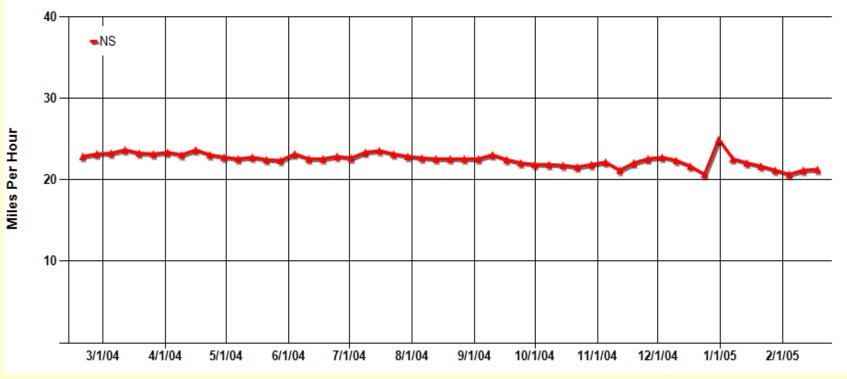
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#### The Enterprise Strategy Map

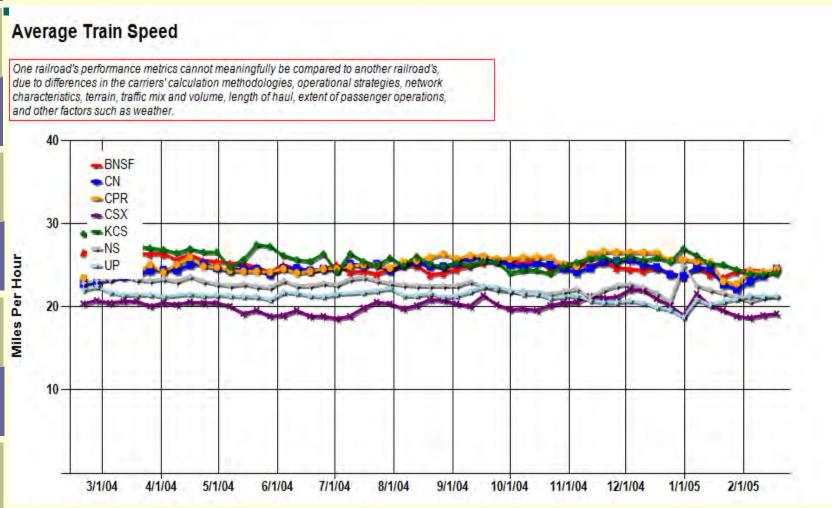




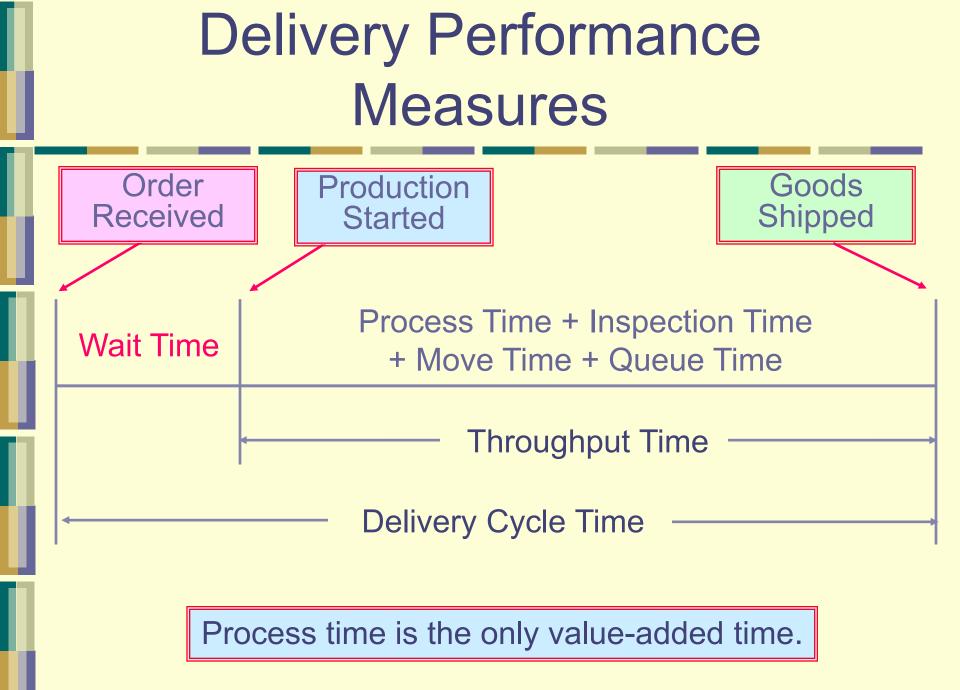
One railroad's performance metrics cannot meaningfully be compared to another railroad's, due to differences in the carriers' calculation methodologies, operational strategies, network characteristics, terrain, traffic mix and volume, length of haul, extent of passenger operations, and other factors such as weather.

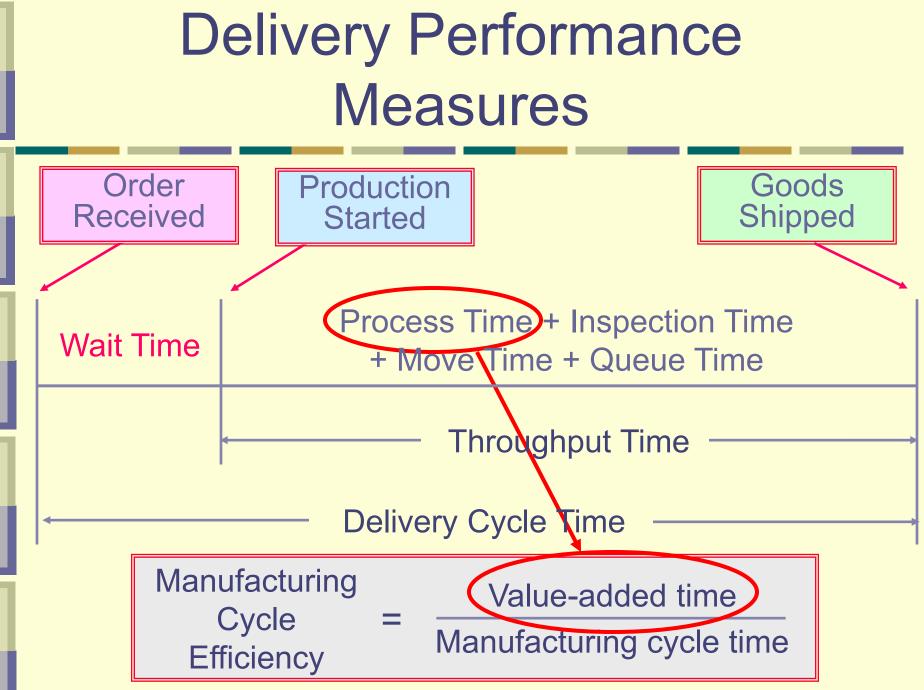


**Railroad Performances Measures** 



**Railroad Performances Measures** 





## For what are you willing to pay?



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# Value-added vs. Non-Value-added

- Concept of "Re-engineering"
- Development of "process maps"
- Identify value-added and non-value-added steps
- Very detailed procedure
- Goal: Eliminate or minimize non-value-added steps
- Consider separation of duties and internal controls

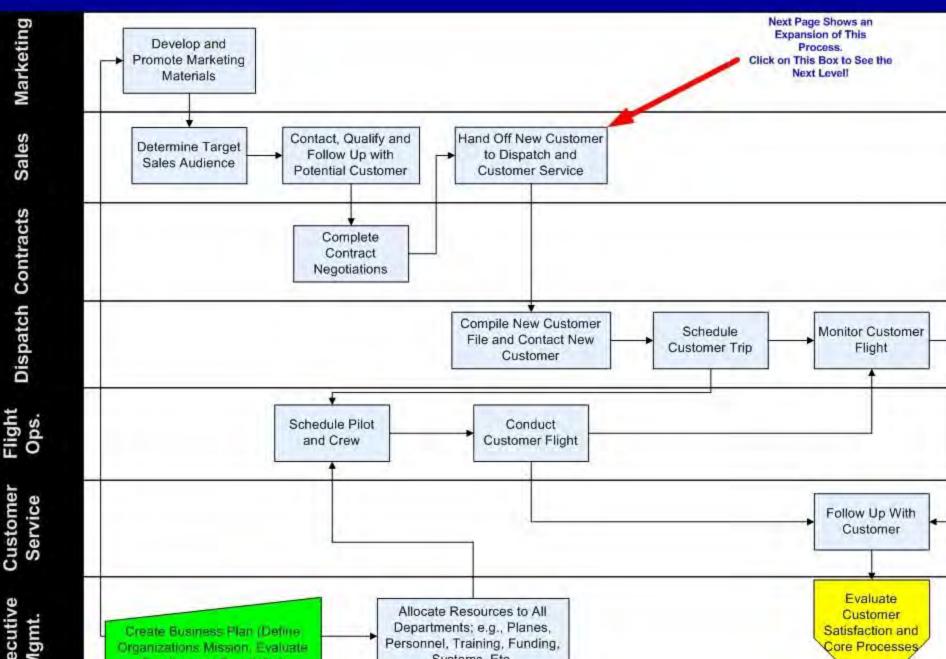
### SAE Total Quality Management Process Map





#### rganizational Core Processes





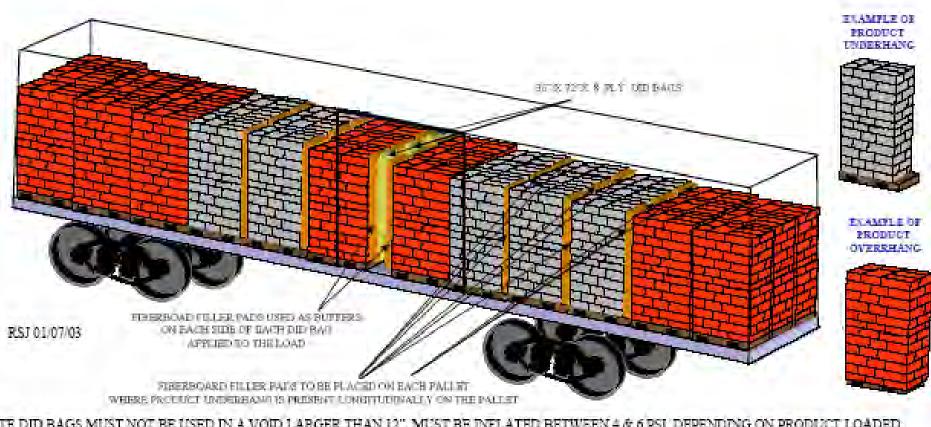


### BURLINGTON NORTHERN SANTA FE RAILWAY

#### LOAD AND RIDE SOLUTIONS DRAWING

### CASED BEER

LOADING METHOD FOR PALLETIZED/STRETCH-WRAPPED NON-INTERIOR BULKHEAD EQUIPPED RAILCARS



NOTE DID BAGS MUST NOT BE USED IN A VOID LARGER THAN 12", MUST BE INFLATED BETWEEN 4 & 6 PSI DEPENDING ON PRODUCT LOADED.

A TQM team at Narton Corp has recorded the following average times for production:

Wait 3.0 days Move 0.5 days Inspection 0.4 days Queue 9.3 days Process 0.2 days

What is the throughput time?

- a. 10.4 days
- b. 0.2 days
- c. 4.1 days
- d. 13.4 days

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|-------|----------|
| Queue | 9.3 days |

What is the throughput time?

a. 10.4 days

Throughput time = Process + Inspection + Move + Queue = 0.2 days + 0.4 days + 0.5 days + 9.3 days = 10.4 days

A TQM team at Narton Corp has recorded the following average times for production:

Wait 3.0 days Inspection 0.4 days Queue 9.3 days Process 0.2 days

What is the MCE? a. 50.0%

b. 1.9%

c. 52.0%

d. 5.1%

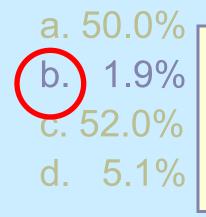
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What is the MCE?



MCE = Value-added time ÷ Throughput time

- = Process time ÷ Throughput time
- = 0.2 days ÷ 10.4 days

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What is the delivery cycle time?

- a. 0.5 daysb. 0.7 daysc. 13.4 days
- d. 10.4 days

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## End of Chapter 11



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