

# 6 Ways to Reduce Print Waste for Manufacturing

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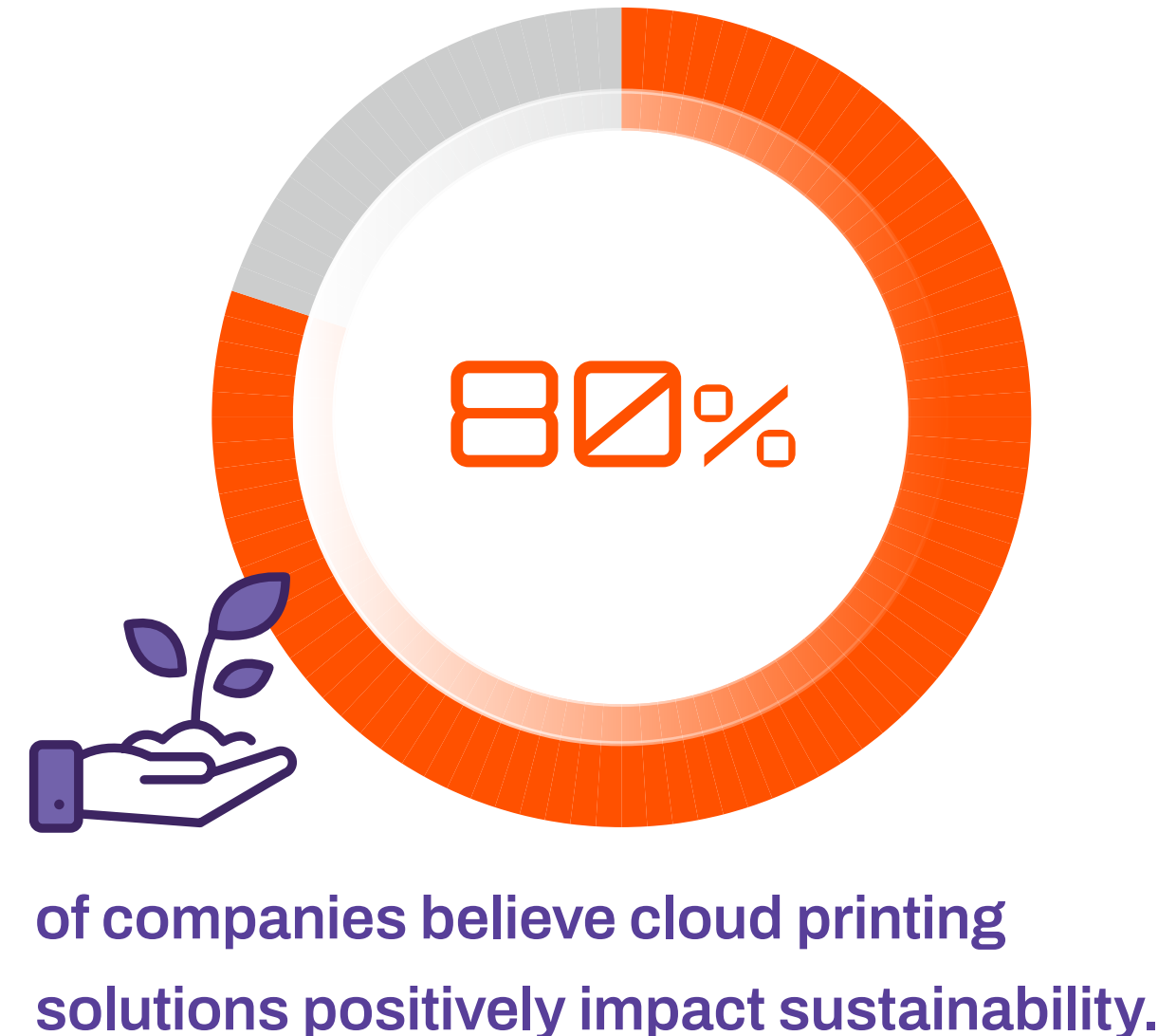
**2,400 trees** are cut down each minute. Paper products make up about **70%** of office waste.

Change starts with you. It's time to rethink how you print and reduce your paper waste to promote a sustainable and environmentally-conscious workplace.

Here are some ways to rethink paper waste in your office:

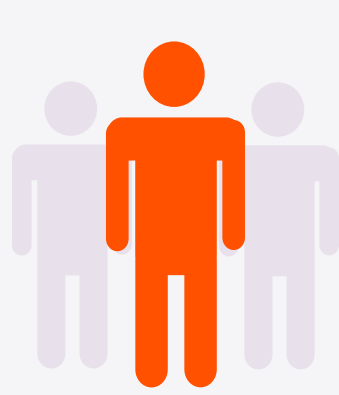
## 1 Unify Print Management in the Cloud

Consolidating print management across your manufacturing organization offers a powerful tool in your fight against paper waste. By gaining complete visibility over printers, scanners, and output devices, you receive valuable insights into wasteful habits that impact your organization's bottom line.



### Consumers Care About Your Impact

**1 in 3** consumers prefer to buy from brands they perceive as doing social or environmental good.



**70%** of consumers said they would change their shopping habits if a brand wasn't operating sustainably.

## 2 Monitor Usage, Commit to Change

Someone has to do it. Why not you?

Identify high-volume areas of improvement or implement pull printing to make printing more intentional. Configure print jobs company-wide to render in duplex and grayscale automatically to reduce your organization's environmental footprint. It's also not a one-time job—regular check-ins and reporting are a great way to stay committed and track progress.

## 3 Establish Cross-Departmental Printing Policies

Once you identify areas of opportunity around your office, it's time to execute the plan. Establishing and implementing printing policies keeps everyone in the know and accountable. This could mean agreeing on printing limits per person or group and rethinking what needs to be printed versus what can be shared digitally.

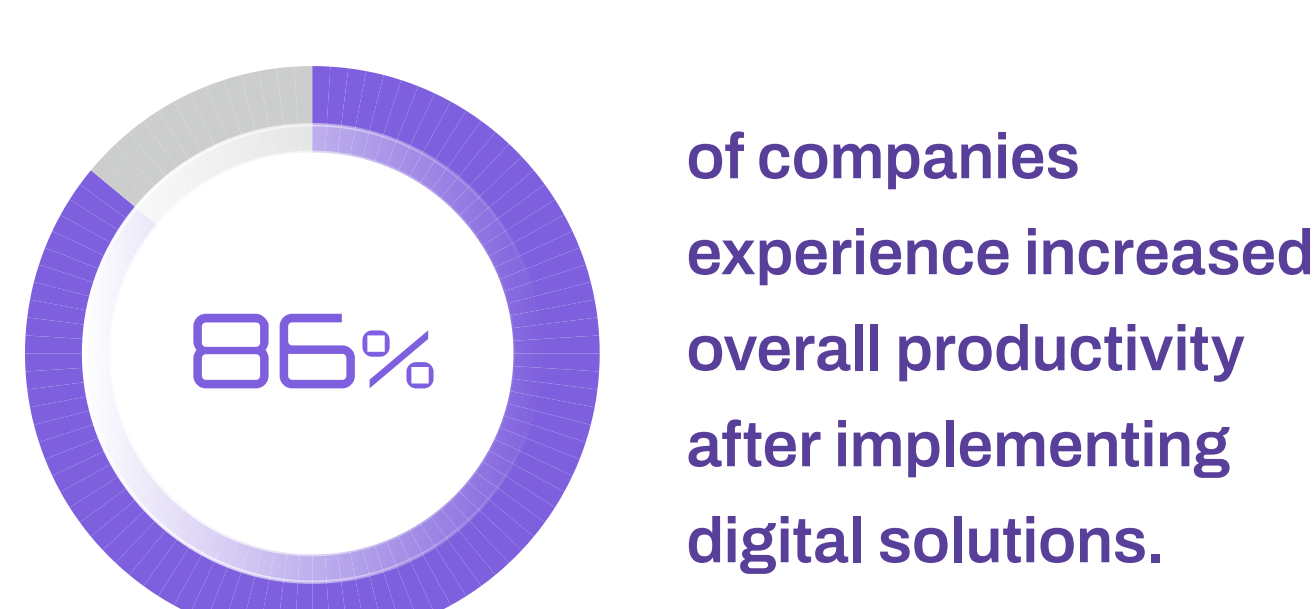
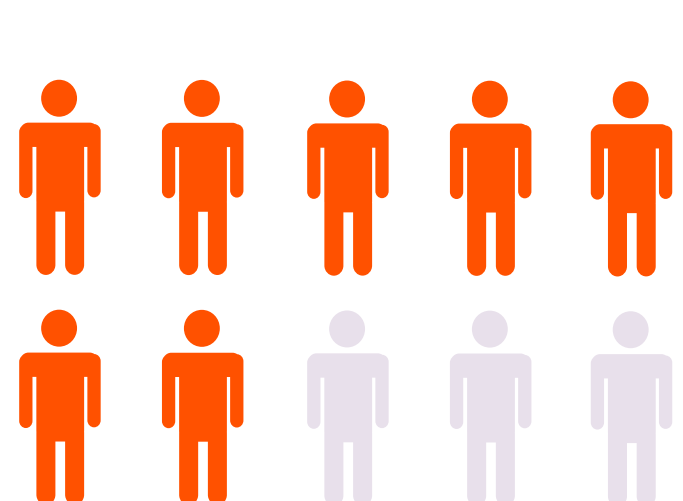
Ask your team:

Are we still printing out inspiration work vs. using an online whiteboard?

Are we still handing out paper copies of presentations that could have been emailed?

Are we properly utilizing cloud-based storage solutions to avoid printing unnecessary paperwork?

**7 in 10** remote employees find it difficult to access and share siloed data with coworkers.



## 4 Leverage Remote Work Solutions

Remote work arrangements are here to stay. Remote and hybrid employees use digital platforms for communication, collaboration, and document sharing. This eliminates the paper waste of meeting handouts and physically shared documents while improving employee access to important data—without leaving a messy paper trail.

## 5 Digitize Your Documents

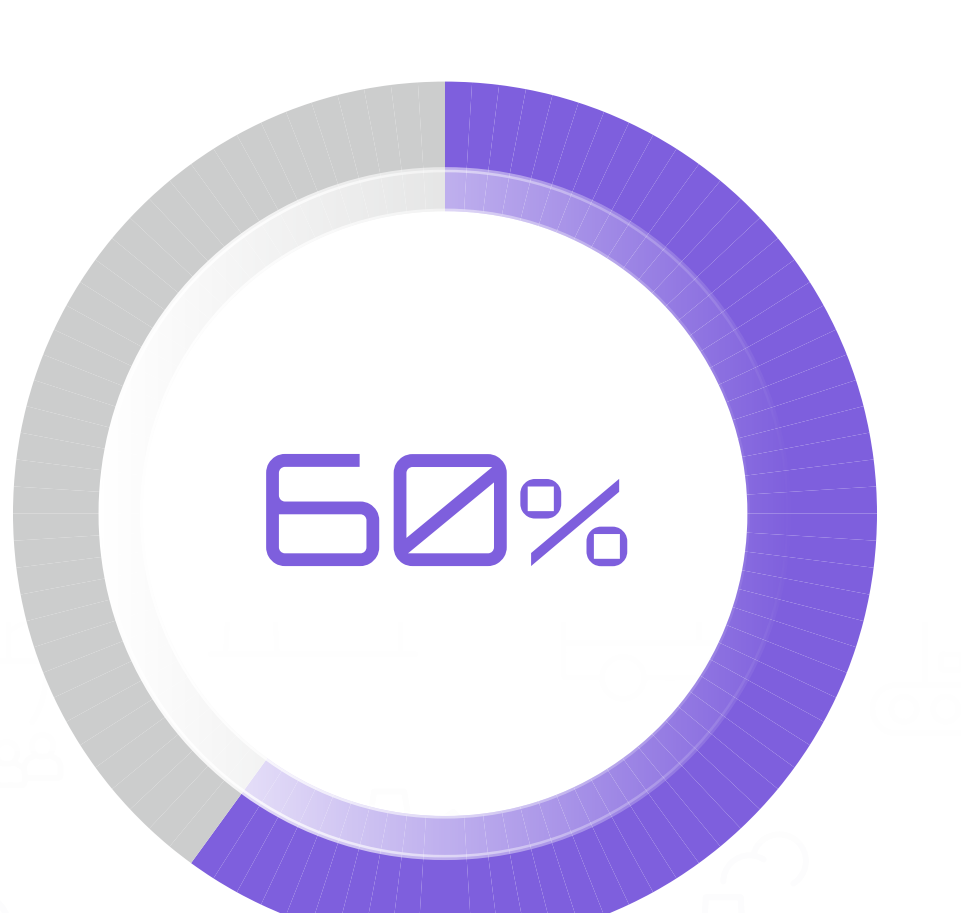
Digital documentation isn't a nice-to-have; it's a must-have to continue forward as an eco-conscious business.

Document management systems use cloud storage solutions to securely store and share information electronically. Additionally, scanning and storing documents in the cloud allows easy access and sharing among employees and eliminates the need for multiple printed copies.

### Wasted Paper = Wasted Space

**\$1241/yr** spent on office space for a 4-drawer filing cabinet.

**80%** of paper documents are never looked at again once they're filed.



in potential savings attainable by companies that embrace digital workflow solutions.

## 6 Adopt Digital Workflows

Digital workflows aren't anything new, but has your office adapted to the changing times?

Transitioning to digital workflows to automate the creation and delivery of mission-critical manufacturing documents like Bills of Lading, invoices, contracts, and status reports reduces paper waste in the office, printing costs, storage expenses, and the time spent on manual administrative tasks.

## It All Starts Today

Ready to contribute to a greener tomorrow? Learn more about all the ways you can reduce paper waste with Vasion's eco-friendly print and output automation solution for manufacturing.

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### Resources:

Acapella: <https://acapella.com/7-ways-to-reduce-your-paper-usage/>

Accenture: <https://www.accenture.com/us-en/services/intelligent-automation-index>

ANVL: <https://anvl.com/blog/roi-for-going-paperless/>

Deloitte: <https://www2.deloitte.com/content/dam/Deloitte/us/Documents/process-and-operations/us-sdt-process-automation.pdf>

Harvard Business Review: <https://hbr.org/2023/02/survey-employees-want-business-technologies-to-be-more-collaborative>

Medium: <https://medium.com/@sameer-aidasinc/shocking-stats-why-66-of-consumers-will-pay-more-for-your-green-brand-b3a274ac1825>

Metasource: <https://www.metasource.com/document-management-workflow-blog/file-cabinets-costing-you/>

Quocirca: <https://quocirca.com/content/quocirca-cloud-print-services-2022-market-landscape/>

