Treasurers Guide to Monetizing A/R for Accelerated Revenue Growth

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Agenda

- How COVID-19 magnified the importance of cash?
- Levers to streamline the financial process
- What does it mean for Treasurers?
- How to monetize A/R and accelerate revenue growth?
- What's next and looking ahead

How COVID-19 magnified the importance of cash?





Impact of COVID-19 on Working Capital

During times of crisis, cash is king



Role of Treasury during Crisis

Goal: To help organization in optimizing working capital management as it the life and blood of organization

But it's easier said than done...



...Because Treasury Still Is Manual



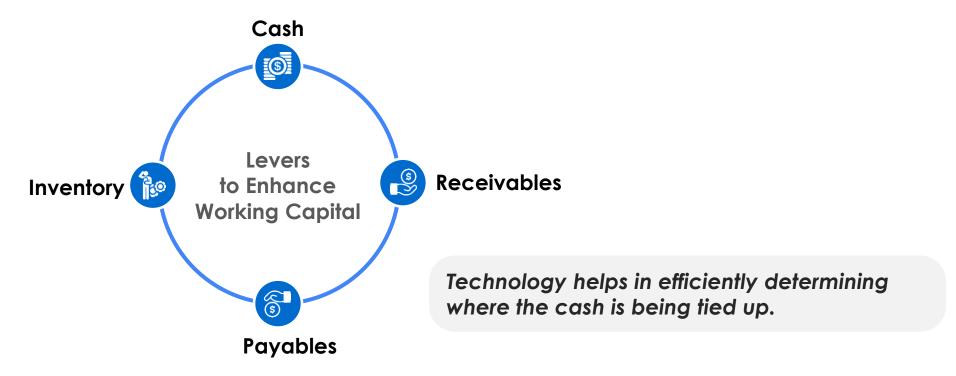
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Levers to Streamline the Financial Process

What are options to enhance Working Capital?





Decoding Payment Automation Technology



APIs

Programming code that enables data transmission between one software product and another



An electronic bank-tobank payment type in the US



RPA

'Robots' mimicking human actions to perform a well-defined business process



Virtual Cards

Single-use card with a set of sixteen digits together with a CVV code that is randomly generated using software



AI/ML

Computer systems to learn, reason, think and perform tasks requiring complex decision making



6 Faster Payments

A Faster Payment is a type of electronic transfer, designed to speed up the process of sending money



Reap Exponential Benefits with Automation

Streamline Payments by embracing technology





Benefits of Technology

virtual card transactions are expected to increase from \$130.5M in 2021 to \$414.4M in 2026, 26.1% CAGR)



Better risk decisioning



Streamlined/real time reconciliation to optimize current assets



Forecasting capabilities that position for growth



What does it mean for Treasurers?





What Does It Mean For Treasurers?

- Streamlined liquidity consolidation
- **Enhanced cash-flow forecasting**
- Real-time liquidity
 - 1. Instant cash concentration through virtual accounts
 - 2. Real-time in-house-bank accounting and reporting
- Creating a positive impact on their cash flow and daily sales outstanding (DSOs)
- Reduce uncertainty and increase working capital















How to monetize A/R and accelerate revenue growth?



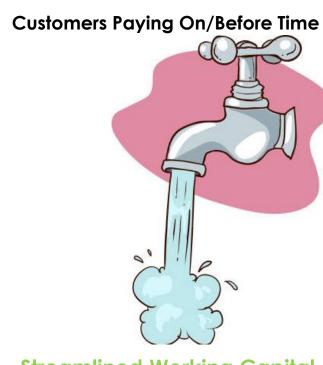


How To Monetize A/R & Accelerate Revenue Growth?

Customer Delaying the Payments



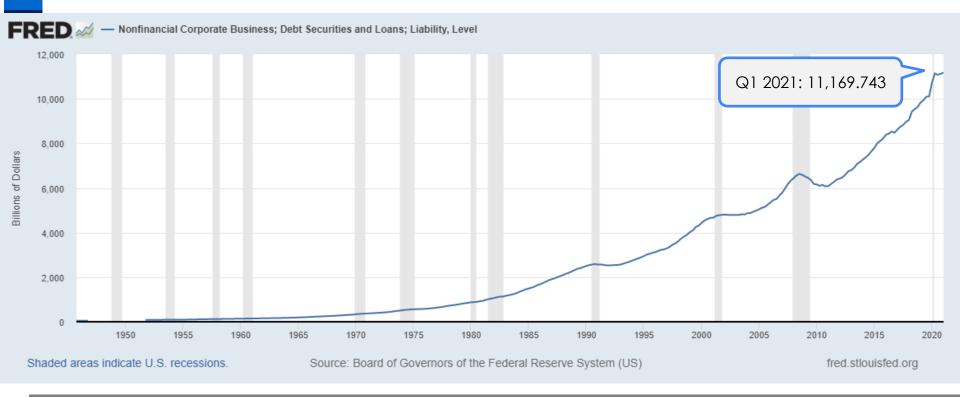
Stressed Working Capital



Streamlined Working Capital



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This trend can pressure working capital, increasing the amount of current assets on the balance sheet



Woes of Check payments



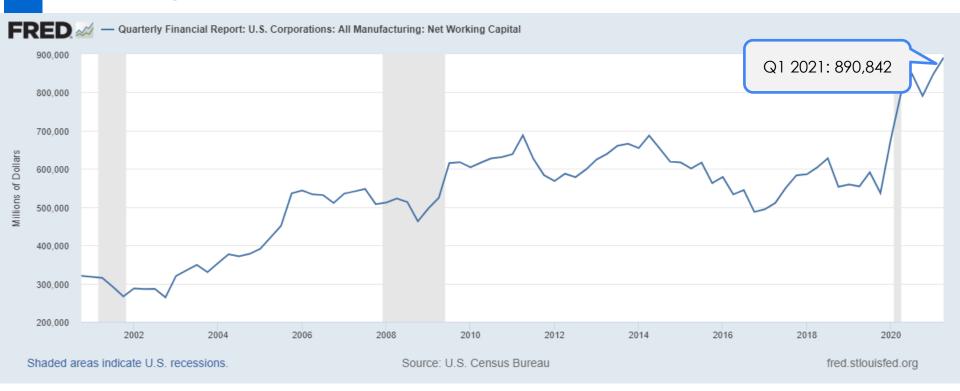


Alternatives of Check Payments



- Implementing electronic invoice with an EIPP
- Supply Chain Financing
- Early pay discount

Working Capital Requirements Over Last 20 Years





Cash Creation Hypothetical

EBITDA: \$100

Debt Service: (\$50)

- Working Capital: (\$30)

- **Capex:** (\$10)

Cash Creation: \$10

 Only working capital can be managed near term

Reduce working capital ratio
 greater cash creation



What's next and looking ahead





Looking Forward – What to Expect?

- 8.3 days and \$10 to process a check; equal to a Hawaiian vacation trip complete with a Strawberry Daiquiri and stay at the White Lotus.
- The amount of debt in the marketplace is only forecasted to grow.
- Automation will become increasingly more important with 50% of invoices today sent electronically.
- The non-intangible costs must be measured.



Questions





Thank You

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