

Types of Decisions in a Supply Chain

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Supply Chain decisions impact

- Manufacturing/Labor cost
 - Costs incurred in handling the goods throughout the supply chain
- Logistics cost
 - Movement of goods across locations
- Inventory costs
 - Storage of inventory in distribution centers, warehouses, and retail locations.

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Many objectives of a Supply Chain Manager

- Reducing cost
- Improving product availability
- Minimizing risk
- Reducing cost to the environment

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Decisions in a supply chain

- Short term
 - Procurement and production decisions
 - Sales and Operations Planning
- Long term
 - Physical infrastructure: Supply chain footprint
 - Soft infrastructure: Centralized Supply chain
 - Eg: Vendor Management Inventory

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