# HOW AR AUTOMATION CAN HELP YOUR BUSINESS THRIVE

Manual accounts receivable (AR) practices can lead to late payments and wasted time, which can mean additional costs and cash flow restraints. **Learn how automation can help businesses overcome these challenges.** 



## Top challenges of invoicing today

Late payments are endemic in the AR space, and they can have dramatic ripple effects on vendor loyalty and companies' financial well-being. Many of these late payments are caused by old-fashioned manual processes and paper transactions.<sup>1</sup>

### What are the top AR challenges? Surveyed B2B businesses say:<sup>2</sup>



**51%** receiving payment within agreed-upon payment terms

## 47%

matching payments to the appropriate invoice(s)/purchase order(s)

**46%** receiving usable remittance advice from partners

### 28%

inefficient or legacy payment formats or channels leveraged by partners

## The solution: Automation

Automation can help improve the overall health of a business, from receiving payments faster to reducing the time and costs of manual processes to strengthening client relationships.

#### What are the benefits of AR automation? Surveyed B2B businesses say:<sup>3</sup>





**79.3%** improved team efficiency



**74.8%** better customer experience



**72.1%** saved operational costs

## Introducing Invoiced: AR on autopilot

Invoiced enables an efficient billing and payment experience, freeing up your team to focus on higher-impact work

#### Why work with Invoiced to automate your AR process?



**Streamline invoicing and payments.** Use built-in templates or external datasets to automatically deliver billing information and offer flexible payment methods.



Advance your AR processes. Invoiced provides a comprehensive AR cloud for helping you manage the entire receivable life cycle from invoice to cash.



**Automate collections activities.** Automated email, letter and text communications along with task management tools help Invoiced clients stay on top of outstanding invoices.



**Transform the customer experience.** Invoiced replaces antiquated and out-of-date payment methods with a self-service portal, enabling your business to provide the modern experience your customers expect.



**Improve AR team performance and accountability.** Finance and accounting teams that use Invoiced benefit from automated task assignment and KPI and trend tracking.

## Get started with AR automation today.

See how American Express and Invoiced can help your business optimize and thrive. Contact your client manager or learn more at <u>https://www.americanexpress.com/us/merchant/offers/invoiced-offer.html</u>.

#### SOURCES

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<sup>2</sup>2021 B2B Payments Survey Report. Bottomline, 2021. Based on survey of 340+ individuals in top corporate roles at B2B companies across six continents.

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