



10 Reasons to Ditch Spreadsheets for Purpose Built PPM





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Resource Management

Your people are your
greatest asset.

Spreadsheets don't provide the real-time resource management capabilities to match intake demand with available capacity, or plan by role/skillset productively and assign the right resources to the right projects.

Resource Updates/Changes

Who's working on what?

By the time you've updated your spreadsheet of tracking resource updates/changes, it's likely already out of date. There is no way to plan scenarios or identify resource shortages easily to avoid double booking.

Risks and Issues

Project Management = Risk Management

Spreadsheets don't make it easy to actively understand and identify risks or issues and communicate a mitigation plan in real-time.

Milestone Tracking

What's really going on?

Milestone tracking becomes nearly impossible to keep track of in a spreadsheet. There is no true real-time log of a project, so determining percent complete is manual to understand and prone to error.

Forecasting

There is no crystal ball with spreadsheets.

Delivering an accurate forecast is difficult when using spreadsheets. This leads to incomplete data that doesn't paint a clear picture to strategically make decisions that ultimately deliver better business results.

Project Collaboration & Reporting

There is no such thing as a 100% accurate spreadsheet.

With spreadsheets, the data is not 100% accurate the second you hit save. Chances are things have changed and they are no longer communicated or seen in the current "saved" version of the spreadsheet.

Portfolio Management

Manage a portfolio in a spreadsheet?!

How are you able to ensure a project is being prioritized for the greatest delivered value and strategic alignment to the business? Spreadsheets don't provide that tradeoff analysis that gives you complete control, visibility and governance into your entire portfolio.

Project Review & Lessons Learn

How do you get better?

Spreadsheets often don't paint the full picture. Without results monitoring or benefits tracking, how are you able to ensure you provide continuous improvement and learn from previous project challenges? You just can't with a spreadsheet.

Business Agility

How quickly can you make adjustments?

Spreadsheets hinder an organization's ability to quickly get and act on information to place the right bets, turn quickly and deliver faster.

Permissions, Security, Versions

Save file - Final, FINAL FINAL, etc.

Allowing access for different levels of visibility or editing capabilities in a spreadsheet is difficult. Even when sharing a spreadsheet, the bigger headache comes from version control and trying to keep track of what's the latest. This leads to time wasted trying to get access to the data required.

Is it time for you to ditch the spreadsheets now?

We'd love to help. Check out this [whitepaper](#) to learn how to easily travel from static, unwieldy data in spreadsheets to a holistic, collaborative, centralized project and portfolio management solution.



Keyedin provides project portfolio management software that allows PMO leaders to place the right bets, deliver faster, and turn quickly.

Interested in learning more - [contact us today!](#)

