

Module 2 Section B: Understand Demand Management Term Agile manufacturing APICS CLTD Learning System © 2025	The ability to respond quickly to unpredictable changes in customer needs by reconfiguring operations. Syn.: agile supply chain.
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Module 2 Section B: Understand Demand Management Term Demand forecasting APICS CLTD Learning System © 2025	Forecasting the demand for a particular good, component, or service.
Module 2 Section B: Understand Demand Management Term Demand management APICS CLTD Learning System © 2025	1) The function of recognizing all demands for goods and services to support the marketplace. It involves prioritizing demand when supply is lacking. [This] facilitates the planning and use of resources for profitable business results. 2) In marketing, the process of planning, executing, controlling, and monitoring the design, pricing, promotion, and distribution of products and services to bring about transactions that meet organizational and individual needs. Syn.: marketing management. See: demand planning.

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Demand management process

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A process that weighs both customer demand and a firm's output capabilities, and tries to balance the two. Demand management is made up of planning demand, communicating demand, influencing demand, and prioritizing demand.

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Demand planning

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The process of combining statistical forecasting techniques and judgment to construct demand estimates for products or services (both high and low volume; lumpy and continuous) across the supply chain from the suppliers' raw materials to the consumer's needs. Items can be aggregated by product family, geographical location, product life cycle, and so forth, to determine an estimate of consumer demand for finished products, service parts, and services. Numerous forecasting models are tested and combined with judgment from marketing, sales, distributors, warehousing, service parts, and other functions. Actual sales are compared to forecasts provided by various models and judgments to determine the best integration of techniques and judgment to minimize forecast error. See: demand management.

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A product design or supply chain strategy that deliberately delays final differentiation of a product (assembly, production, packaging, tagging, etc.) until the latest possible time in the process. This shifts product differentiation closer to the consumer to reduce the anticipatory risk of producing the wrong product. The practice eliminates excess finished goods in the supply chain. This strategy is sometimes referred to as delayed differentiation.

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