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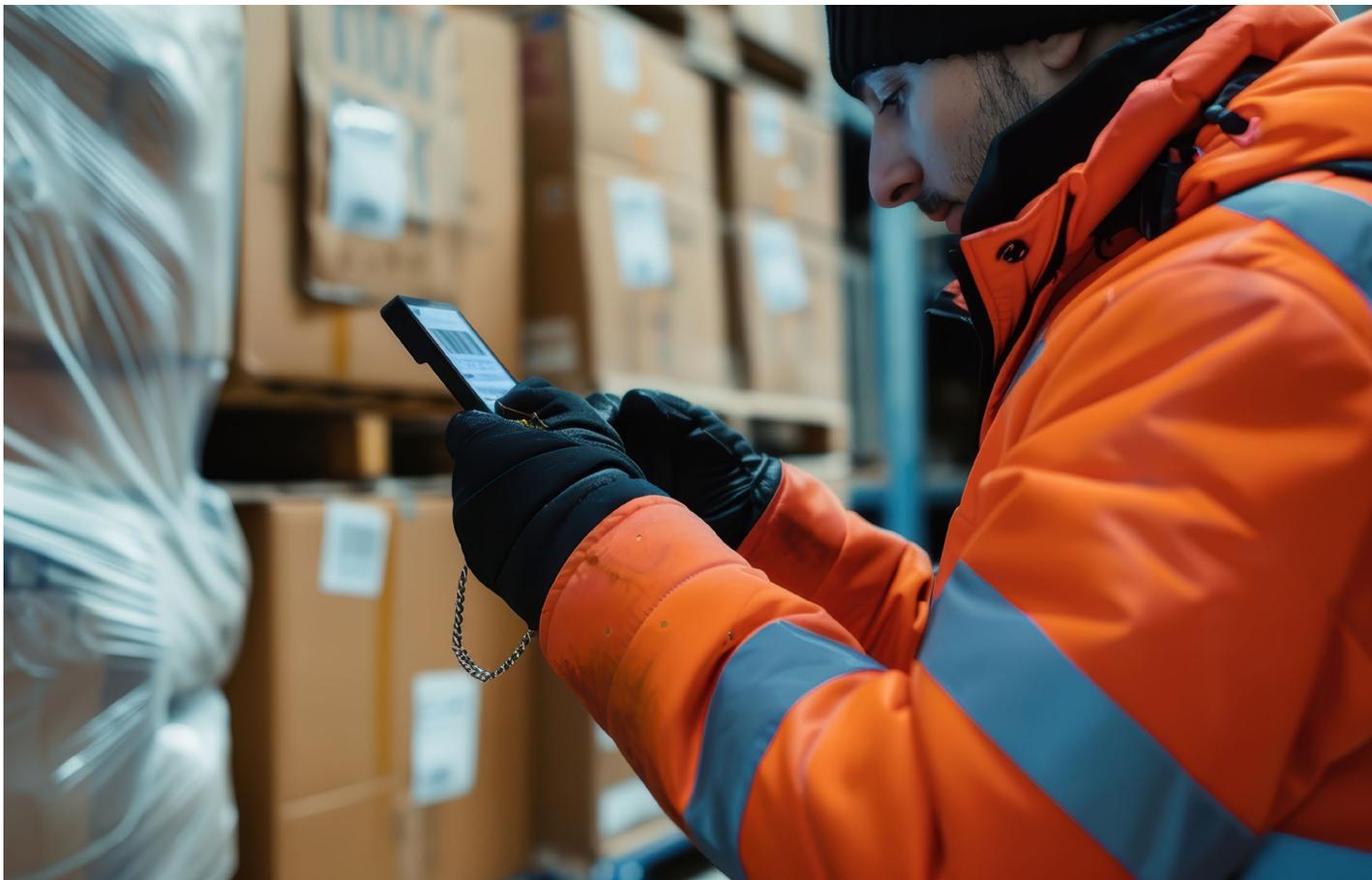
How SwiftDecoder™ is Redefining Supply Chain Data Capture

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The global supply chain is rapidly adapting to evolving consumer expectations for speed and accuracy, all the while navigating persisting disruptions and managing labor challenges in operations. Visibility into inventory and assets remains a critical pain point. A recent Supply Chain Management Review study notes that 71% of supply chain managers expect to revise their planning and governance processes to address visibility gaps [SCMR, 2024].

At the same time, warehouse labor continues to be a fragile foundation. Annual turnover in warehouse operations is frequently reported above 40% [Material Handling & Logistics, 2023], straining productivity and raising costs.

These challenges demand tools that do more than simply scan barcodes. They require platforms—technologies that combine barcode decoding with advanced vision intelligence to deliver not just data, but actionable insight. SwiftDecoder™ embodies this shift: a robust decoding engine today, with embedded pathways for intelligent inspection, verification, and automation tomorrow.



SWIFTDECODER™ AS A PLATFORM

Historically, barcode scanning software has been treated as a tactical tool. But in today's environment, that limited perspective risks leaving value on the table.

SwiftDecoder™ is designed as a platform, not just a decoder. It delivers exceptional scanning performance – even with damaged, curved, or poorly lit codes – and extends far beyond. With embedded vision intelligence, SwiftDecoder™ is positioned to evolve into a foundation for:

- Visual verification (confirming packaging accuracy or detecting damage).
- Anomaly detection (flagging misplaced inventory or unexpected objects).
- Predictive insight (anticipating disruptions before they escalate).

This approach allows companies to address immediate needs while preparing for intelligent automation.



THE EXECUTIVE PERSPECTIVE: ROI AND COMPETITIVENESS

Executives face two simultaneous realities: a demand to cut costs and an imperative to innovate. With intelligent supply chain technologies growing at nearly 23% annually [Markets & Markets, 2025], organizations that invest in flexible, vision-enabled platforms now will be positioned to capitalize on that growth curve.

The barcode software market's steady growth trajectory (6–7% CAGR) [Allied MR, 2023] underscores another point: even "mature" tools like scanning are far from commoditized. Instead, they are becoming gateways to higher-value processes, such as analytics, automation, and visibility. SwiftDecoder™ positions organizations to extract more ROI from existing devices and applications while future-proofing investments.

THE MARKET CONTEXT: WHY CHANGE IS URGENT

The broader market confirms this urgency. According to Markets & Markets, intelligent technologies in the supply chain are projected to grow from USD 14.49 billion in 2025 to USD 50.01 billion by 2031, representing a 22.9% CAGR [Markets & Markets, 2025]. Other forecasts are even more bullish: Grand View Research projects nearly 39% CAGR growth through 2034 [Grand View Research, 2025].

Meanwhile, the barcode decoding software market, the bedrock of modern data capture, continues to grow steadily. Allied Market Research estimates it will expand from USD 329.8 million in 2022 to USD 612.1 million by 2032 [Allied MR, 2023]. This reflects persistent demand for robust decoding, even as vision-based use cases expand.

Together, these trends suggest that organizations can no longer afford point solutions. The future belongs to scalable, intelligence-ready platforms that deliver both immediate performance and future-proof flexibility.

1. Markets & Markets, 2025
2. Allied MR, 2023

THE DEVELOPER PERSPECTIVE: BUILDING FOR INTELLIGENCE

For software developers, the challenge is no longer just “make scanning work.” The challenge is delivering intelligent, integrated workflows.

SwiftDecoder™ gives developers a powerful SDK foundation for barcode decoding while also opening the door to vision intelligence integrations. This enables apps that not only capture data but also interpret it, reducing anomalies, automating verification, and streamlining decisions.

As Grand View Research notes, intelligent technologies in supply chain are expected to reach nearly USD 192.5 billion by 2034 [Grand View Research, 2025]. Developers who design applications that align with this trajectory will keep their organizations competitive in a fast-changing market.

THE OPERATIONS PERSPECTIVE: PRODUCTIVITY AND WORKFORCE EFFICIENCY

Operational leaders live the pain of visibility and labor challenges every day. More than 70% of supply chain

managers identify visibility issues as a critical challenge [SCMR, 2024], and warehouse turnover rates consistently exceed 40% [MH&L, 2023].

Embedding scanning directly into mobile, web, and wearable applications – augmented by intelligent vision checks – can reduce error rates, increase throughput, and mitigate the impact of high turnover. By enabling smarter tools, SwiftDecoder™ helps operations stabilize productivity, even in environments of labor scarcity.

THE IT PERSPECTIVE: SECURITY AND SCALABILITY

For IT decision makers, credibility is measured by security, scalability, and governance. With the barcode decoding software market projected to nearly double over the next decade [Allied MR, 2023], IT leaders must balance legacy infrastructure with new capabilities like vision intelligence.

SwiftDecoder™ architecture allows for:

- Secure deployment across diverse devices and applications.

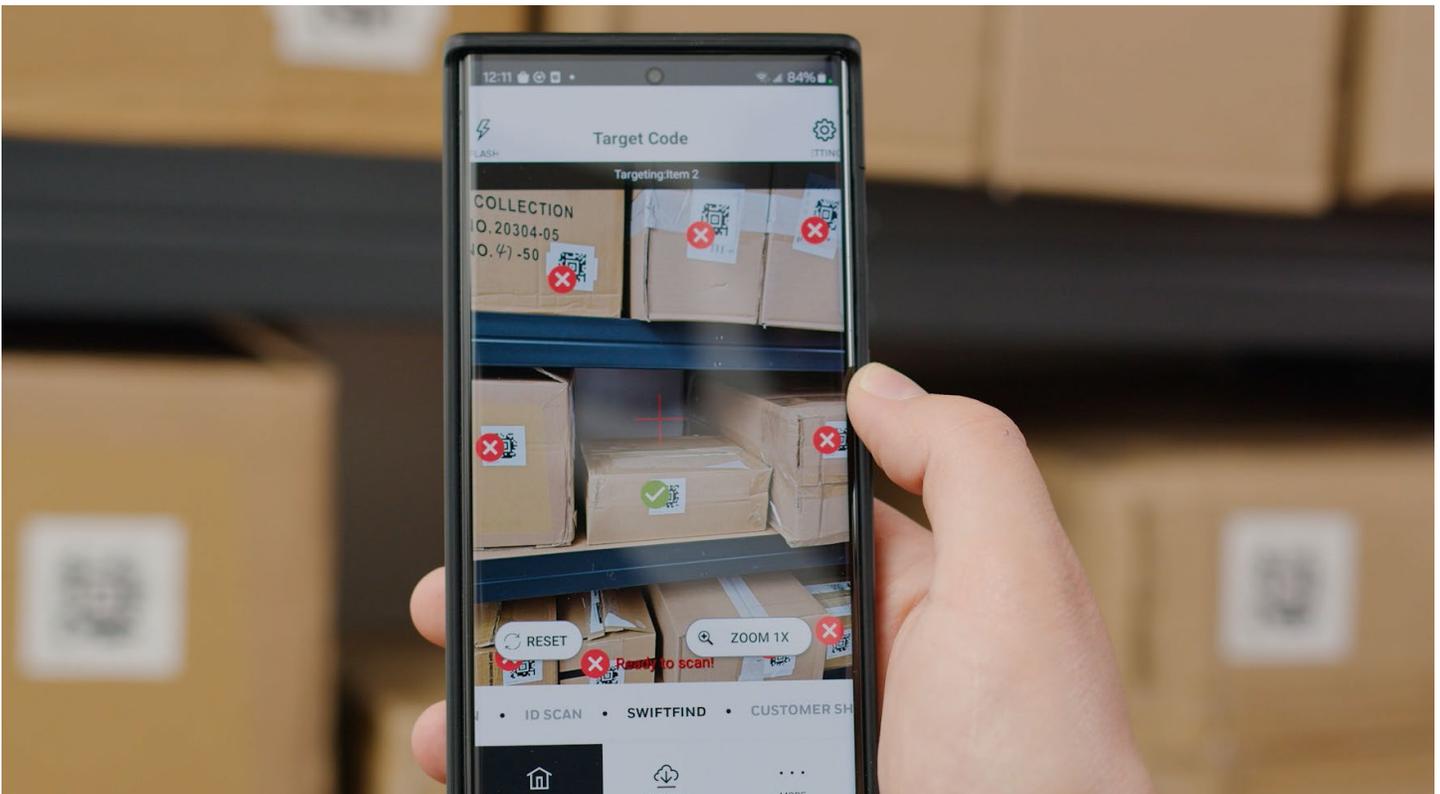
- Flexible licensing aligned with enterprise needs.
- A roadmap for intelligent vision integrations without wholesale infrastructure changes.

This combination enables IT to support immediate operational demands while strategically preparing for future innovation.

REAL-WORLD IMPLICATIONS

Market signals suggest adoption is already underway. The 2D barcode reader market, estimated at USD 8.14 billion in 2024, is projected to reach USD 13.60 billion by 2030 at ~9.4% CAGR [Grand View Research, 2024]. This growth points to sustained demand for capture technology—and an increasing expectation that these tools deliver more than “just a scan.”

By embedding vision intelligence into scanning workflows, organizations can introduce proof-of-delivery checks, automate damage detection, or streamline reverse logistics, all while leveraging existing devices.

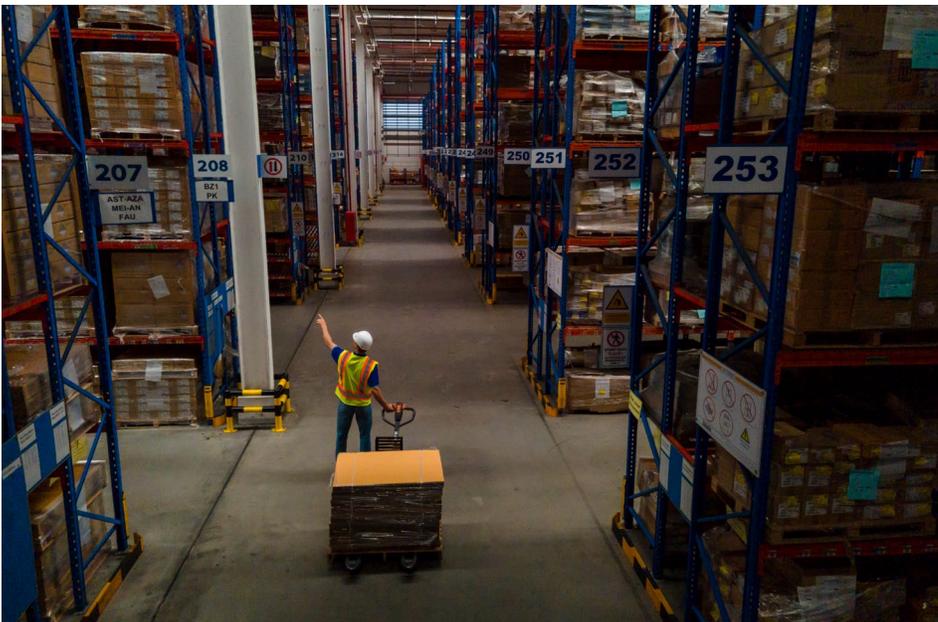


CONCLUSION WHY NOW

The evidence is clear: visibility challenges, labor shortages, and market growth in intelligent technologies and barcode tools all converge on the same conclusion. Companies must move beyond single-purpose tools and invest in platforms that scale with them.

SwiftDecoder™ is that platform: proven scanning performance today, with vision intelligence embedded for tomorrow. For executives, developers, operations, and IT, it offers a way to meet immediate demands while preparing for long-term transformation.

The time to act is now. As intelligent supply chain technologies accelerate toward USD 50 billion by 2031, organizations that embrace smarter data capture today will be the ones leading the industry tomorrow.



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