

# Shop Floor Monitoring: From Machine Data to Operational Intelligence

*Real-Time Visibility. Operator Context. Strategic Insight.*

Most manufacturers aren't data-poor—they're **insight-poor**. Whether production data lives on clipboards or is buried across disconnected systems, the result is the same: decisions driven by intuition instead of intelligence, improvements that take months instead of days, and capital deployed against symptoms instead of root causes. **Shop Floor Monitoring** gives every stakeholder—from the operator to the executive—the visibility to act now and the data foundation to transform the business over time.

## THE COST OF OPERATING BLIND

- **The Visibility Gap:** By the time a schedule miss surfaces at end-of-shift, recovery options have evaporated. Shipments slip, overtime is required, and customer trust erodes.
- **Monthly Reports Kill Improvement:** When performance data arrives weeks late—averaged and decontextualized—the variation where improvement opportunities hide gets smoothed away. Teams that could test and validate weekly are stuck learning quarterly.
- **CapEx Decisions Made in the Dark:** Executives approve CapEx based on utilization reports that can't distinguish capacity constraints from execution problems—leading to poorly deployed capital.
- **Tribal Knowledge Walks Out the Door:** Your best operator's setup methodology, your night shift's workaround for a chronic issue—none of it is captured. When experienced workers retire, the intelligence leaves with them.
- **Unknown Cost-to-Serve and Inaccurate Quoting:** Without actual production time data tied to specific products and customers, standard costing hides which orders are profitable and which are subsidized. Quotes are built on estimates and assumptions—not operational reality.

## WHAT CHANGES WITH VISIBILITY

- **Intervene Early, Not Late:** When you can see at 10 AM that a line is 90 minutes behind schedule, there's still time to reallocate resources, adjust priorities, and protect the delivery commitment.
- **Compress the Improvement Cycle:** A team testing one improvement per month generates 12 wins per year. A team testing weekly generates 50. Real-time feedback makes every hypothesis testable within hours, not weeks.
- **Propagate Best Practices:** Stop managing averages. Discover why your best shift outperforms, why identical machines deliver different results, and systematically replicate what works across every line and crew.
- **Bridge the P&L and the Plant:** Give executives operational context alongside financial metrics—so they can ask not just "what did it cost?" but "why did it cost that?"

## WHAT THE PLATFORM DELIVERS

### Real-Time Production Visibility

Live dashboards show machine state, active orders, and performance metrics across the entire floor. Supervisors spot emerging problems while they're still solvable—not after they've become financial impacts.

### Historical Dashboards & Trend Analysis

Performance trends, downtime Pareto analysis, shift-to-shift comparisons, and production rate distributions over any time range. Surface the patterns that monthly reports erase—seasonal failure spikes, product-mix impacts, and the execution differences between your best and worst performers.

### Operator-Driven Context

Machines capture what happened. Operators capture why. Touch-optimized interfaces let shopfloor teams log downtime reasons and associate machine activity with orders—turning raw data into actionable intelligence.

### Schedule Intelligence

Link physical production to your shipping schedule in real time. See projected completion times based on actual throughput and identify orders at risk before they're late.

### A Strategic Data Asset

Real-time alerts deliver value from day one. The compounding value comes over months and years—as granular, contextualized production data reveals capacity truths, cost realities, and improvement patterns that reshape how you allocate capital and configure operations.

## THE KINETECH ADVANTAGE

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