

Business Reporter: Building agile transport management systems

How composable microservices can help avoid bloat and reduce transportation costs

LONDON, UNITED KINGDOM, October 23, 2025 /EINPresswire.com/ -- In an article published on Business Reporter, Bryant Smith, Director of Product Management at Manhattan Associates talks about how composable microservices enhance supply chain agility through co-ordinating and optimising movements, allowing for quick reactions and evolutions.

A new study [by Manhattan Associates](#) highlights how composable microservices are driving a major shift in transport management, enabling operators to achieve unprecedented levels of agility, visibility and resilience across complex logistics networks.

According to the research, traditional monolithic transport management systems (TMS) are struggling to keep pace with the demands of real-time data integration, fluctuating capacity and sustainability targets. In contrast, microservice-based architectures allow each functional component – such as routing, scheduling, compliance and reporting – to evolve independently and scale on demand. From cost savings associated with optimised routing and the improved efficiency of automation to the enhanced visibility of data for better decision-making and the lower costs of training and configuration, a composable approach also enables companies to achieve a greater and faster return on investment.

Although almost half of the respondents (48 per cent) said that they already felt very prepared for autonomous agents by 2030, practically every organisation (99 per cent) reported facing or expecting to face hurdles, with concerns including skill shortages, integration difficulties and data quality and availability issues.

The research concludes that microservice architectures are not just improving logistics performance – they are redefining the future of intelligent, adaptive transport management.

To learn more about supply chain leaders' priorities and the forces shaping the future of transport management, [read the article](#).

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