

# HOW ARRIVE LOGISTICS HANDLES EMAILS IN 40% LESS TIME THROUGH AUTOMATIONS





Hiver checked all of the right boxes, but what really helped us become successful with Hiver was the ability to measure analytics right out-of-the-box.

# ABOUT THE COMPANY



Arrive Logistics is a technology-powered freight brokerage company. It was co-founded by Matt Pyatt and Eric Dunigan in 2014. They are headquartered in Austin, Texas. As of 2018, they have moved over 250k loads, are \$370 million in revenue, and employ over 700 people.

Arrive thrives on a robust carrier side, best-in-class proprietary technology, a passion for customer service delivered by the industry's top talent. They believe in engineered solutions for their customers, not a one-size-fits-all model. Superior customer support to both shippers and carriers is at the forefront of this endeavor.

The Arrive Logistics team uses email extensively for communicating with its customers and partner carriers. For them, managing email requests in a timely fashion is a crucial step in fulfilling the promise of superior customer support.

But, there was a hurdle.

## THE CHALLENGE

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**Meet Christina O'Connor**. She joined Arrive as the Accounts Payable/Accounts Receivable (AP/AR) Manager a little over a year ago.

The Accounts team has a major role to play in maintaining partner relations. They strive to approve and process payments as efficiently as possible. Their goal is to never leave a shipping partner waiting (or wondering when their payment would come).

But the process of managing emails was becoming a bit of a hassle:

- The team supervisor would spend a large chunk of her day manually sorting through incoming emails, and forwarding them to specific team members.
- It was tough to tell who was working on an email—the team sent duplicate replies sometimes. Even worse: some emails went unattended.
- There was no way to know which emails had been resolved and which ones were awaiting a response.
- They **did not have a way to measure** how efficient their team was, and how the workload was distributed among the team members.



Christina began looking for a shared inbox management solution to contain the chaos — and chose Hiver.

### Why Hiver?

Because it worked on top of Gmail. Being existing G Suite users meant that the team wouldn't have to go through the ordeal of adapting to a whole new user interface.

And she loved the fact that Hiver came with powerful analytics.

#### A quick view of how things changed with Hiver



Every email is assigned to an individual (team members know exactly what they are responsible for)



Emails get statuses — it is very easy to know if an email is

Open, Pending, or Closed



The team writes Notes for internal discussions (as opposed to forwarding emails)



SLA's ensure that the team replies to emails within the specified timeframe





### Automated routing for faster email handling

The team uses **email assignment automations** to route emails from select carriers to specific team members. It ensures there are no **email misses**.

Our research tells us that, automatic email assignments translate to savings of 2 minutes per email. The team at Arrive Logistics automates about 3200 email assignments a month which translates to saving a whopping **3.5 hours** per day.

The addition of Hiver helped free up an employees' entire workday and actually get them to focus on more important tasks. With Hiver, I was effectively able to get back an employee into my team.

**Christina O'Connor**, (Manager, Finance at Arrive Logistics)

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### Easy behind-the-scenes team collaboration

Christina's team uses Notes in Hiver to collaborate within the team and resolve issues being faced by their carriers—effectively eliminating email forwards, Cc's, and reducing the reliance on external collaboration tools.

Christina and her team write about 18 Notes every day. Our research shows that syncing up on an email takes a minimum of 2 minutes of a team's time (switching apps and building context). Christina's team easily saves about 35 minutes every day with Notes in Hiver.



### Useful insights on team performance

With Analytics, the team analyzes their turnaround times and identifies areas of improvement.

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Being able to analyze the volume of incoming emails as well as the response times have helped the team accurately determine the workload that every employee carries.

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### **Closing note**

With Hiver, the AP/AR team at Arrive Logistics was able to ensure that there were no longer any missed emails, no more duplicate responses, but most importantly they were able to free up their employees' time which was otherwise spent in mundane tasks.

Christina's final thoughts on Hiver were:

"I love the fact that Hiver is extremely intuitive. If I was looking at Hiver as a person, this person would be very well organized, very process-oriented. Hiver is basically everything that I would look for in a new hire for my team."



Hiver is revolutionizing how people use Gmail to collaborate with their team. More than 1500 businesses all over the world including the likes of Harvard University, Hubspot, Shutterstock use Hiver to manage their Customer support and Sales directly from Gmail.



















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