

Work in progress evaluation

Fill in the table below to see how your project or organisation is handling WIP.

Practice	Yes/No
Teams have formal WIP limits in place	
My organisation limits WIP across the organisation	
My team measures and monitors the cycle time of work increments	
My organisation measures and monitors the cycle time of increments of value	
Teams pull work as capacity becomes available	
Teams visualise their WIP	
WIP limits are adjusted to reduce cycle time, as needed	
Teams focus on fully completing increments of work	
Teams integrate early and often	

Add up one point for every question to which you answered 'yes'.

- 0-2 points:** WIP is not being limited, made visible or measured, or you are not measuring the impact of limiting WIP. There are a number of small but effective measures you can take to begin harnessing the power of limiting WIP.
- 3-6 points:** You are limiting, making visible and/or measuring WIP. You may already be seeing the benefits of reducing WIP, but you may not be measuring the impact or applying WIP limits as broadly as you could.
- 7-9 points:** You have limited WIP in place and are likely to be seeing the benefits! Are there any more opportunities for you to limit or make visible WIP?