Infor Reporting

Reporting comes of age

In this era of big data, the value of effective reporting is greater than ever. You need a solution that does more than retrieve and format information—you need quick, easy ways to find answers to the questions that matter. Often, there is just no time to ask an overworked IT department to create queries and run specialized software. Business users like you need to find the answers on your own—without help from IT. With an effective, user-friendly reporting solution, you can find the information you need, when you need it, to improve decision making at every level of your business.

Advanced reporting made easy

With Infor® Reporting, you get an extensive collection of pre-built reports that you can use right out of the box to get started. These reports include essential operational functions such as general ledger, accounts payable, accounts receivable, purchasing, and sales. You also get streamlined report building capabilities that make it easy for any business user to create ad hoc, custom reports without any help from IT.
In addition, because the Infor Reporting centralized library of reports can span multiple applications, your decisions aren't limited to the data from any single system or data source.

You'll have a clear starting point for quick and easy reporting because the predefined report templates that come with the solution are styled to meet the latest user interface standards. This will help ensure that all your reports have a consistent look and feel. But the pre-defined report templates don't limit your choices—you can create new reports based on the pre-built reports or even build ad hoc reports to get answers to your specific questions. The metadata-driven models behind Infor Reporting are designed for simple, intuitive report building. You don't need to be a programmer or IT staff member to create reports.

Infor Reporting helps business users solve the problems that make the biggest contributions to achieving great results.

Infor Reporting includes two authoring tools designed for intuitive report authoring by users at all levels of experience:

- **Report Studio** is intended for professional authors who want to develop complex pixel-perfect reports.
- **Workspace Advanced** helps business authors who need simpler, ad hoc reporting.

Decision-making made faster

Users access Infor Reporting reports via Infor Ming.le™ or a standard web browser. They can narrow information down to only what is important via prompts and filters within the application. They can also click on links within reports to drill back into Infor application data to gain context for further analysis and to take action. Users can export report content to a variety of formats, including Microsoft® Word, Excel©, and PDF. And users can share information and collaborate with others for better decision-making via Infor Ming.le.

How it all works

Infor Reporting securely connects with Infor applications via the Infor ION® Business Vault. Infor applications automatically publish rich standardized business documents to the Business Vault in real-time, making them instantly available for reporting. This information is automatically standardized across all Infor applications, eliminating complex transformation rules that would be necessary in typical solutions to align data from multiple sources.

These business documents contain a complete set of transactional and master data, so if a user needs more information on a report, they can simply get it out of the Business Vault without having to re-query data from source systems.

These business documents are based on industry standards, so the data in the Business Vault is only loosely coupled with the underlying applications that publish. This reduces the time and risk associated with application upgrades. The result is less time spent hunting for information and more time spent understanding what the information is saying.

The Infor Reporting infrastructure uses Active Directory to help ensure information security. This allows administrators to define specific roles and capabilities for each user throughout an enterprise. The clear division of roles helps ensure that everyone has access to the information they need, without exposing sensitive data to people who aren't authorized to have it.

Better reporting for better results

With Infor Reporting, you'll add unparalleled flexibility and reliability to your reporting processes to support quick, confident decisions that lead to long term success. Because Infor Reporting draws on rich connections between many different business information systems, people in all corners of your organization will be able to see the issues that affect them, and everyone can be more prepared to contribute to the success of the organization as a whole. As a result, everyone in your company will have clear, accurate information soon enough to take effective action.

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