Planner

Leading enterprises in complex engineering industries and high-tech repetitive environments using Infor SCM Planner connected to their ERP systems report manufacturing productivity improvements of up to 20%.

Do business better.

Supply chains are becoming increasingly more complicated as they stretch further around the globe and involve more products and more participants. Today's manufacturers must overcome these challenges while meeting demand with the most effective use of all their assets—equipment, people, materials, and capital. That's why complex manufacturers turn to Infor to extend their existing ERP solutions and reach the next level of productivity.

Infor SCM Planner addresses all these challenges, delivering a totally synchronized, capacity constrained manufacturing plan that helps you meet your customer service goals, while achieving higher productivity and lower operational costs. It considers all your options in a multi-tier supply chain and all your critical constraints—such as machine capacity, material availability, and labor skills—to quickly create an optimized plan that aligns demand with production and provides realistic order promising.

Leverage experience.

At Infor we have over 20 years experience solving supply chain challenges, so we understand that one size doesn't fit all. That's why we provide specialized functionality that is built for specific production environments. We have an unrivaled record of customer confidence and proven expertise. And we deliver it all with a lower total cost of ownership due to reduced customization and integration costs, as well as measurable business process improvements across today's complex global supply chains.

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Get business specific.

Planner is designed for make-to-stock, engineer-to-order, configure-to-order, or assemble-to-order production environments and optimizes across multiple centers of demand and multiple production options to improve productivity and on-time delivery performance. And when supply chain emergencies occur—such as unplanned machine breakdowns, late supplier deliveries, or unexpected customer demand—your planners and customer service representatives have the tools to quickly assess alternatives and make informed adjustments to the plan.

Analysis and visualization—simulation and control
Planners can quickly create and visualize a variety of simulation scenarios or evaluate the impact of various constraints and immediately see the results. They can start from a global supply chain perspective and then drill down to turn constraints on or off, route jobs to an alternate resource or site, specify steps to be taken by a subcontractor, and see the impact on other orders. Planners can even force acceptance of a customer order within a certain time period or override the system-generated plan.

Optimization—dynamic planning
Now you can address all your material, production, and distribution constraints across all sites in one model. Cover your entire supply chain from suppliers and subcontractors to multiple feeder and assembly plants through your distribution network to your customers. Our constraint-based planning engine is the perfect dynamic planning tool to extend your ERP and enhance your responsiveness to ever-changing supply conditions or new order opportunities.

Order promising—accurate and responsive
With the ability to quickly incorporate new orders, your customer service reps will be able to make realistic and profitable commitments based on real-time checks of inventory availability (available-to-promise) and production capability (capable-to-promise). Infor's order promising capabilities support all production strategies including make-to-stock, make-to-order, configure-to-order, and engineer-to-order. They also help identify problem customer order lines and find alternative ways of obtaining order acceptance.

See results now.

Some of your toughest challenges lie at the heart of the production process. That's why Planner delivers advanced capabilities that go beyond those of traditional ERP-based planning to help you make the best use of your production resources, improve efficiencies, increase throughput, and lower costs. Planner integrates easily with any ERP system from which it gets inventories, bills of material, routings, and customer orders across multiple sites. Forward-thinking companies use Planner to:

- Improve manufacturing productivity and throughput
- Make more effective use of bottlenecked resources
- Increase customer service levels
- Reduce production lead times, inventory levels, and costs
- Enhance responsiveness with "what-if" planning
- Do more with less

About Infor

Infor delivers business-specific software to enterprising organizations. With experience built in, Infor's solutions enable businesses of all sizes to be more enterprising and adapt to the rapid changes of a global marketplace. With more than 70,000 customers, Infor is changing what businesses expect from an enterprise software provider. For additional information, visit www.infor.com.

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