



# Infor Advanced Planning

## Improve how you do business

Soaring logistics costs. Manufacturing bottlenecks. Product variability. Constantly changing demand and supply. With all these variables at work, the challenge is on you to create the best supply chain plan for your business. Infor® Advanced Planning does the work of creating this plan for you, calculating the trade-offs so you have an optimized plan that satisfies all of your constraints and makes the best use of all your assets, while minimizing costs.

## Plan across your supply chain

Infor Advanced Planning helps improve performance and profitability by optimizing your manufacturing and supply chain plans. This solution easily adapts to your evolving requirements, whether or not you need to plan across multiple sites, balance product mix capability with profitability, consider shelf-life constraints in stock build strategies, or choose the optimal product recipe or formula based on material availability, costs and demand mix.

At Infor, our proven supply chain expertise allows us to deliver solutions with a lower total cost of ownership due to zero customization and minimal integration costs. The bottom line: You get measurable and rapid business process improvements across today's complex global supply chains, so you can make more informed decisions—faster.

**"Infor Advanced Planning has long been rather distinctive in that it could model a supply chain problem that includes factory, warehousing, and transportation constraints in one model."**

**—Steve Banker, ARC Advisory Group**

## Evaluate, revise, model, maximize, optimize

Completely configurable, Infor Advanced Planning molds itself to your business to solve your specific manufacturing and supply chain challenges. No other system provides this level of flexibility in a standard software offering.

### **Supply chain optimization—maximize the utilization of your assets**

At the heart of Infor Advanced Planning are constraint-based algorithms and memory-resident processing functionality that holistically considers production capacities, transport routes and capacities, labor capacities and skills, and alternative sourcing options. That means you can maximize the utilization of constrained resources and synchronize all production and distribution activities to demand. So you can rapidly respond to change.

Infor Advanced Planning provides pre-configured supply chain optimization models that focus on key industry problems, thus reducing implementation effort whilst aligning planning to industry best practice.

### Scenario modeling—evaluate and revise plans

The superior "what-if" capabilities available to you with Infor Advanced Planning let you model and compare the outcome of different strategies and budgets, such as building inventory, using overtime, sourcing from another factory in your enterprise, or deciding whether to make or buy product to meet demand. And, you can quickly re-plan and react to events beyond your control, like a missed delivery or unplanned line shut down. Test different demand and supply segmentation strategies side by side before commitment to a specific strategy. With Infor Advanced Planning, you'll have all the information you need to make faster, better-informed decisions at a strategic, tactical, and operational planning time fence.

## Set a strategy, see results

Unlike other solutions that might offer to "cost" a plan, Infor Advanced Planning can use the costs of alternative options to "decide" the plan. That way you can satisfy your customer service objectives at least cost—and with the most strategic use of all your manufacturing, distribution, and inventory resources. With Infor Advanced Planning, you can respond to changes more quickly and confidently—knowing that you're making better decisions than ever before.

Customers who have implemented Infor Advanced Planning have benefited from bottom line improvements that will:

- Boost manufacturing productivity by as much as 30%.
- Reduce raw materials costs by as much as 30%.
- Minimize excess finished goods inventory by as much as 50%.
- Reduce procurement costs by up to 15%.
- Reduce supply chain costs by up to 25%.
- Reduce wastage costs by up to 40%.

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