Why upgrade to Infor XA Cloud

There has never been a better time to innovate and grow your organization by transitioning your business to the cloud. With cloud-based software, you can focus on the work you do best, letting your trusted cloud partner handle upgrades, security, and daily operations. Your mission-critical systems and data stay up-to-date and safe. Plus, you get new solutions deployed fast, with the flexibility to respond quickly to changing market conditions, add new applications as needed, and ensure business continuity—all while reducing the risk of business disruption.

1. Secure, modern technology

Take advantage of the latest Infor® XA release, a unified platform that modernizes and simplifies the infrastructure, integration layer, security, and user experience of Infor applications.

2. All-inclusive and managed by Infor

With Infor XA in the cloud, you're entitled to all the latest Infor XA applications—even if you're not licensed for them now—including Enterprise Integrator, System-Link, Enterprise Financials, and Infor OS. All these applications run under the updated Net-Link user interface, featuring the full Infor user experience. All hardware and software are managed by Infor under a strict service level agreement, giving you assurance of reliable operations.
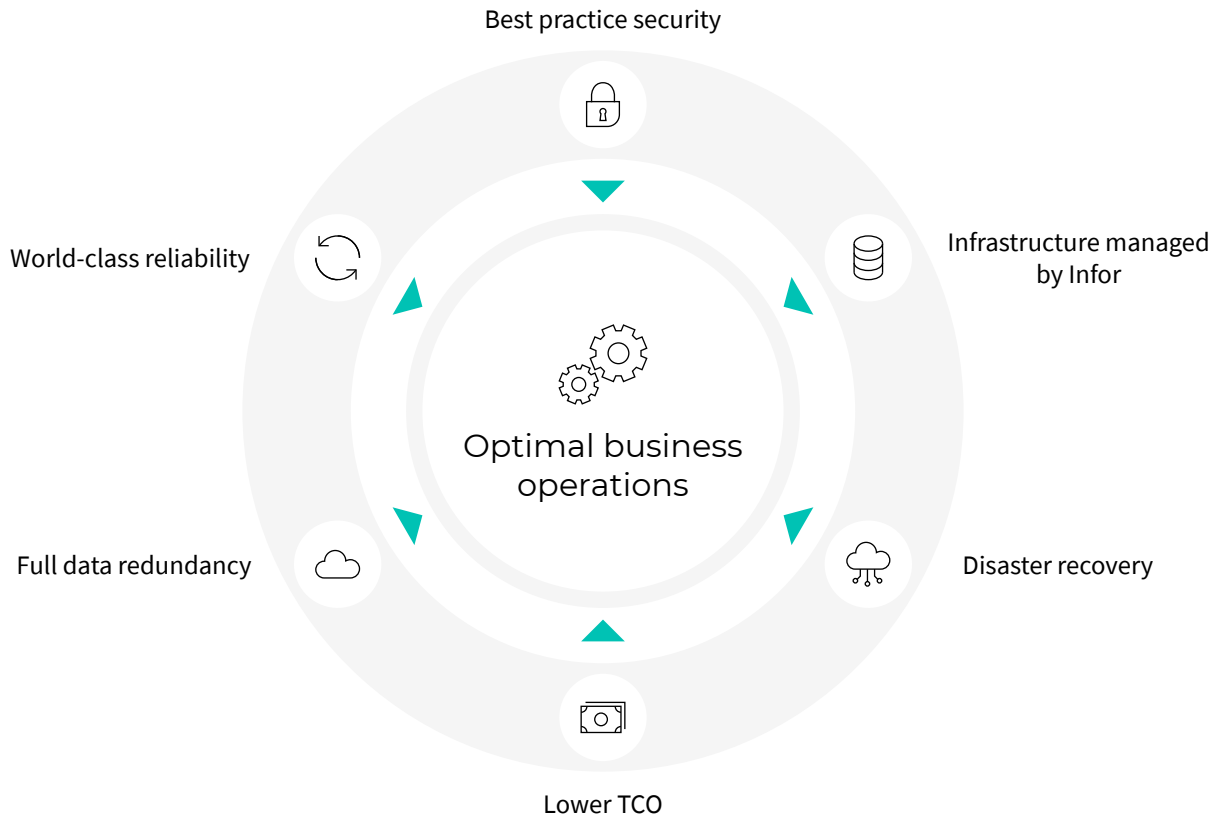
3. Low total cost of ownership

When you upgrade Infor XA to an Infor XA Cloud solution, you'll stay current on Infor solutions. You'll be able to reduce the day-to-day cost, time, and dedicated resources of keeping your systems running. With Infor XA in the cloud, you can easily and quickly expand your solution as your business grows, without the need to purchase additional hardware and infrastructure.

4. Always have the skills you need

By upgrading to Infor XA Cloud, you'll eliminate the risk to your business of trying to locate increasingly hard-to-find IT staff experienced with the IBM® i platform. With Infor XA Cloud, you get hassle-free ownership because Infor maintains all the required skills and experience. An additional benefit is that your IT staff will be freed up to focus more on strategic initiatives and delivering greater value to your enterprise.

Realize greater value with a move to the Infor Cloud

Best practice security

Infrastructure managed
by Infor

Optimal business
operations

Disaster recovery

Lower TCO

Full data redundancy

World-class reliability

5. Predictable SaaS pricing

With an Infor XA Cloud software as a service (SaaS) subscription, you gain access to the latest Infor XA software as an operating expense. Capital expenditure is not required to acquire current or additional applications. This makes it easy to plan and budget, and to roll out to new sites or countries as your business expands. When you upgrade, you can convert your current maintenance fees into a credit towards SaaS subscription fees. The flexibility of Infor's transitional support policy provides for a smooth transition from on-premises to cloud.

Infor XA Cloud definition

- **Infor XA Cloud is a single-tenant offering:** By implementing Infor XA Cloud in a single-tenant environment, customers can continue to run and maintain their customizations, third-party products, and custom IBM i applications.

- **Predictable operational expense**: Cloud solutions cut capital costs by reducing the need for in-house infrastructure and license investment via a flexible subscription pricing model. For a monthly fee, Infor XA Cloud provides a controlled and predictable cost for running Infor XA on IBM i, including high availability and daily operations. With Infor XA Cloud, it's not necessary to budget time and expense for large upgrade projects, such as hardware upgrades, new Infor OS versions, or Infor XA upgrades.

- **High availability**: With Infor XA Cloud, high availability can be priced into your monthly subscription if desired. This provides your business a strategic level of data and business security without expensive outlays for licensing, hardware, or additional services.

- **Scalability and flexibility**: Cloud-based solutions like Infor XA Cloud can be scaled seamlessly for your organization and its users, and provide unprecedented levels of flexibility to the business. Users, storage, and processing power can be added easily, without large capital outlays.

- **Infor XA Cloud includes all applications in the Infor XA release**: When you upgrade to Infor XA in the Cloud, you are entitled to the entire Infor XA suite of applications including Enterprise Financials, Visual Planner, Enterprise Integrator, System-Link, and more.

- **Enable adoption of high-value extension applications**: You can provide high-value expansion opportunities for your customer base with packaged integrations to Infor Supplier Exchange, Infor CPQ (Configure Price Quote), Infor XA MES (Manufacturing Execution Systems), Infor WMS (Warehouse Management System), and more.

- **Infor XA Cloud managed services:** The hardware, IBM i operating system, application upgrades, and backups are managed for you with Infor XA Cloud. This frees up your time and staff to focus on more critical business needs. New technologies like Infor ION® and Infor Ming.le® are managed by Infor, which significantly reduces requirements for deployment retraining. There's no need to source, train, and transition skilled IBM i resources on-premises. Infor provides all system skills required.

- **Options to fit your needs:** Infor offers the Infor XA Cloud with three service level options. Gold, Silver, and Bronze service levels can be selected to match your needs. Customers needing the fastest throughput and highest redundancy and availability in case of system recovery should choose the Gold level. Customers comfortable with a more traditional service level may choose the Silver level. The Bronze level is available for those customers that need a smaller entry-level service. Infor will work with you to select the most appropriate service level to suit your needs and budget.

Drive transformation with Infor

Building a strong technology foundation that enables you to scale intelligently and cost-effectively is as important as keeping your present goals firmly in mind. We're committed to being your strategic digital transformation partner. We bring the highest level of organizational excellence to any project. As we work together to help you overcome your challenges and achieve your mission, we're dedicated to aligning our expertise with yours as you define success in a new era.

For more information about migrating to the Infor Cloud, please contact your Infor Account Executive.

Note: This information represents the current state of product readiness vs. the desired or planned future capabilities in the roadmap.

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