

Optimize your resources

As supply chains stretch further around the globe, more products and participants mean increased complexity. Today's manufacturers must overcome these challenges while meeting demand with the most effective use of all their assets—equipment, people, materials, and capital. When there are so many variables and options to trade off—your challenge is to be sure your supply chain plan is the best one for your business.

Infor® Planning 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. Infor Planning considers all your options in a multitier 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.

Benefit from comprehensive experience

Infor brings decades of experience to every level of your supply chain operations, to give you complete control and total visibility over every aspect of your business. Our software embodies expertise that spans everything from sourcing to manufacturing to distribution, so you can deal effectively with the challenges you face every day.

Plan smarter, faster

Infor Planning is designed for engineer-to-order, configure-to-order, or assemble-to-order production environments. It 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 they need to quickly assess alternatives and make informed adjustments to their plans.

With Infor Planning, you get tools for:

Analysis and visualization—simulation and control

Your 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 the 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

Infor Planning can address all your material, production, and distribution constraints across all of your 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.

Get real-time results

Some of your toughest challenges lie at the heart of the production process. That's why Infor Planning delivers advanced capabilities that go beyond those of traditional ERP-based planning to help you make the best use of your production resources, operate more efficiently, increase throughput, and lower costs. Infor Planning integrates easily with any ERP system; whichever ERP system you use, Infor Planning can integrate with it to get inventories, bills of material, routings, and customer orders across multiple sites.

With Infor Planning you'll be able 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



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