



# Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP)



The most consistent challenge for automotive manufacturers today is change, and Infor Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) systems are designed specifically to provide manufacturers the flexibility and automation they need to manage changing customer requirements and environments.

Infor ERP solutions integrate data, communication and control for every facet of automotive manufacturing production-master production schedules, order processing, material requirements planning, production scheduling and execution, detailed lot tracking, inventory management, multiple production reporting methodologies and many more functions. They connect sales, marketing, manufacturing, financials and service.

As your company grows, Infor ERP solutions scale from local to global proportions, supporting both low-volume and high-volume manufacturing. They even allow separate IT centers in multiple locations to synchronize data so that companies that have sites equipped with only basic systems can operate locally but connect globally with a state-of-the-art ERP solution.

With Infor ERP solutions, automotive manufacturers gain full capabilities for electronic data interchange (EDI), an essential capability for remaining competitive. EDI allows you to accommodate customer requirements while extending the advantage of instantaneous electronic commerce to your suppliers as well. With EDI you can accept invoices from suppliers and invoice customers electronically, transmit purchase orders for immediate processing, control the timing and sequence of component arrivals at your facilities, minimize setup and cycle times, run much leaner, improve on-time shipment performance, minimize premium freight, reduce misdirected orders and back orders, make direct payment transfers and improve your global communications.

We built our ERP solutions specifically for the automotive industry and we have been enhancing them based on customer feedback for more than 20 years. Our solutions fully support the repetitive business rules and business processes of automotive companies. Features such as immediate visibility of performance, work in progress, management costing, traditional shop-floor execution, integrated bill of materials, routings, part-number based process, point of use backflushing, inter-/intra-company business, sub-contracting, pay point and non-pay point operations directly support Lean manufacturing initiatives. Designed to integrate with EDI, portals, customer and supplier management, business intelligence, and multi-currency financial systems, Infor ERP solutions scale easily from individual plants to global operations.

The financial management capabilities of Infor ERP solutions, shaped exclusively for the automotive industry, generate new levels of accuracy with detailed control of manufacturing costs coupled with real-time reporting on labor and materials. Transactions can be carried out in a variety of currencies, which are consolidated into a single set of financials.

### Infor Solutions Include:

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EDI allows you to accommodate customer requirements while extending the advantage of instantaneous electronic commerce to your vendors and suppliers as well.

Advanced Planning and Scheduling capabilities in our ERP solutions enable manufacturers to meet customer delivery dates on time every time in a cost-effective manner.

The data residing in our ERP solutions yield a previously unavailable level of business intelligence.

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**Infor** takes pride in the 20 years of experience we have in the automotive industry. Using our deep base of industry knowledge and proven communications and planning applications, we help suppliers and manufacturers achieve their business goals.

We are passionately focused on providing comprehensive solutions that meet the unique challenges of the automotive industry on a global scale. Our solutions are comprehensive, open and modular, giving you the optimal choices to meet today's challenges and leverage tomorrow's opportunities.

Inventory management becomes far more productive and lean with Infor ERP solutions, enabling you to reduce replenishment and overstock costs while eliminating manual and redundant business processes. Plants operate more smoothly and supply chains perform more efficiently. Functions like finite capacity planning allow you to improve scheduling for people and equipment by automatically monitoring plant resources and costs. Infor ERP solutions offer fully integrated order-to-cash visibility and control, with multiple ways to manage requirements across work orders, repetitive schedules and JIT/Kanban. The technology generates an integrated set of data for financial, inventory and manufacturing management and supports complex configurations for the manufacture of highly engineered products.

Infor ERP solutions make your workflow highly consistent, connecting, automating and streamlining work processes across your entire enterprise. They automate routine processes so your staff can focus on dealing with exceptions. They enable you to collect accurate data speedily—from parts arrival to customer order shipping—and employ that data to improve business operations and reduce costs. The data is recorded precisely at the time and place it is generated, which accelerates your distribution and manufacturing processes.

Advanced Planning and Scheduling capabilities in Infor ERP solutions enable automotive manufacturers to meet customer delivery dates on time every time in a cost-effective manner. They synchronize all the factory's demands with material and capacity to deliver you a precise promise date for every customer order.

The data residing in Infor ERP solutions yield a previously unavailable level of business intelligence, enabling you to analyze trends in the marketplace, understand business drivers and make faster decisions. They encompass the ability to ask "what if" questions surrounding critical activities and data and display the results in multidimensional views of the business.

Our business process management capability provides a graphical method of streamlining and automating standard business processes through a comprehensive set of implementation-focused programs, resources and tools.

Our solutions focus exclusively on the repetitive business rules and business processes of automotive companies. Such features as immediate visibility of performance, work in progress, management costing, traditional shop-floor execution, integrated bill of materials, routings, part-number based process, point of use backflushing, pay point and non-pay point operations directly support lean manufacturing initiatives.

Infor Enterprise Resource Planning solutions use specialized technology developed expressly for automotive manufacturers, to help your facilities run faster, leaner, more accurately, more predictably and more successfully, whatever changes the marketplace imposes and wherever you operate your business.



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