Reporting

VISION

Self-service reporting for the entire enterprise

Vision offers the solution for all your reporting needs

WHY VISION?

EASY TO USE AND IMPLEMENT

Vision enables you to browse and report business data in real time. Familiar Excel, Word or Web environments make the software easy to use and fast to implement, ensuring a low cost of ownership.

QUICK AND EFFECTIVE PUBLISHING

Deliver relevant information across the enterprise via the Web or traditional paper reports. Ad hoc data access helps you find immediate answers to urgent questions.

TRIED AND TRUE TECHNOLOGY

Over 100,000 users in 158 countries worldwide rely on Vision to efficiently create and publish reports. The software is available in 8 different languages.

WE'RE HERE FOR YOU!

infor, the author of Vision, is a leading global provider for financial and performance management software. Customers profit from the direct support and service of the Group's 46 offices in 19 countries on five continents.

INTEGRATED PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT

Reporting is just one aspect of performance management. Roll out a comprehensive CPM strategy in a modular approach with enterprise planning, financial consolidation, balanced scorecard or custom solutions from infor. The integrated OLAP platform is flexible and scalable enough to meet your current and future needs.

QUESTIONS?

We'd be happy to answer any open questions either in person or in a Web presentation. Just contact the infor office or partner nearest you to schedule an appointment.

Through timely, accurate reporting you can deliver 90% of the information employees require for day-to-day decision-making. Vision supplies the architecture you need to generate reports and distribute them efficiently throughout the enterprise.

SELF-SERVICE DESIGN

Since Vision is fully integrated into your choice of Excel, Word or Executive front ends, business users can query, explore and report their data in real time with minimal training. This makes Vision extremely easy to learn and fast to deploy.
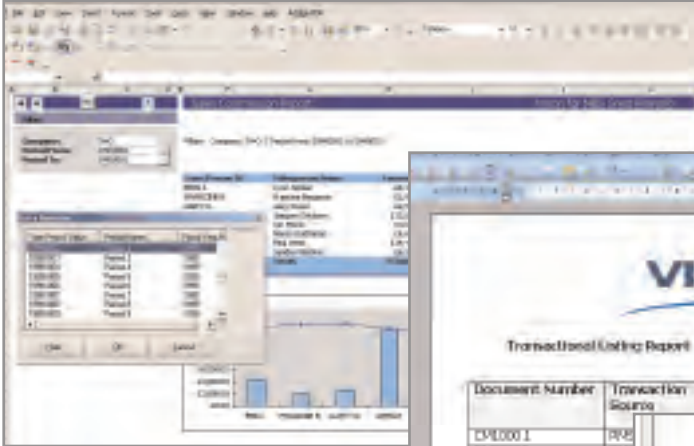
MANAGED SPREADSHEET REPORTING

Despite other IT advancements spreadsheets remain the tool of choice for reporting business data. Vision offers the Excel interface and functionality that users know and trust while minimizing the risk of disparate data and manual error. Dynamic links to data sources eliminate the need for thousands of versioned spreadsheets and ensure that all reports maintain a single version of the truth.

Users can extract business data from one or more data sources into a single Excel report. Since Vision directly links to underlying data sources, reports stay up to date without cumbersome maintenance. Additionally, custom user forms and report packs empower non-technical staff to run reports at the click of a mouse.
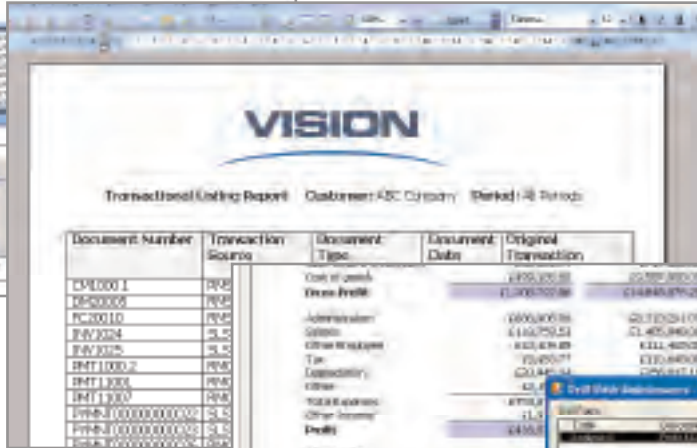
INTEGRATED ANALYTICS

Built-in analytics help detect and explain trends, problems and opportunities that are often concealed in transactional data. Use Cube Analysis to drill down on live relational data. Save queries as cubes so that you can slice, dice or browse data offline.

Drill down on reports for a detailed view of your data. Report Prompting allows you to define the main criteria that drive the report.
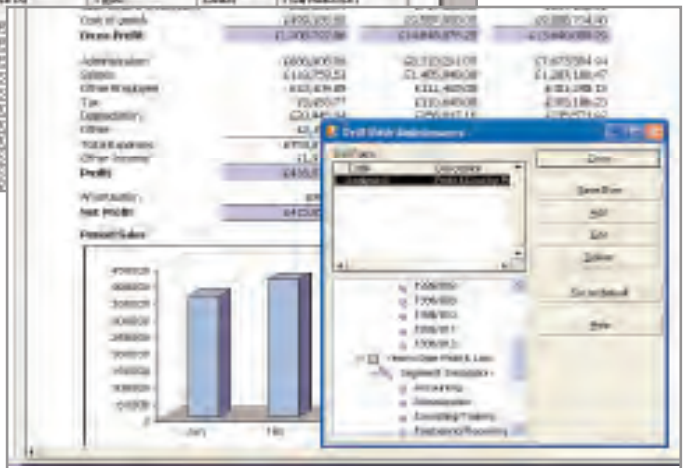
◄ Vision reports link to your data, so they stay up to date without cumbersome maintenance.

Create monthly reports ▶
quickly using Vision Word.

Where are these numbers coming from? ▶
Drill down on reports to find the answers.

Breakouts automatically create similar reports based upon the combination of the selected output items. Frequently used analytic procedures can be saved and run to update the report.

AUTOMATED EXCEPTION REPORTING

Vision actively monitors your business performance so you don't have to. Schedule tasks for specific events, metrics or time periods. Vision then automatically e-mails a full report in the desired format to the designated recipients.

ENTERPRISE-WIDE DISTRIBUTION

Vision netEnterprise allows you to store, share and deliver reports to thousands of users via a web browser or Intranet portal.

INTUITIVE DASHBOARDS

Vision Executive transforms existing reports into financial, operational or performance dashboards. Users across the enterprise can then access live business information via a desktop application, standard Web browser or corporate portal.

FLEXIBLE WORD REPORTS

Vision Word provides an optimal tool for creating monthly, management or statutory reports. Users simply add Vision charts and tables of live data to the desired Word document. An enhanced mail merge facilitates the distribution of paper reports.

MAXIMIZE YOUR VISION INVESTMENT WITH THESE ADD-ON MODULES:

- *Vision Alert* is a server based application that automatically manages, runs and distributes reports based on scheduled events.

- *Vision Budget Management* helps prepare budgets by dispatching and collecting budgeting work-books and automatically transferring budget data from Excel to a Data Warehouse.

- *Vision netEnterprise* uses a server based repository for sharing reports and web publishing.

- *Vision Reporting Services*, an extension to Microsoft Reporting Services, offers large-scale page based reporting with Serduct access.

- *Serduct Studio* creates intelligent metadata layers called Serducts that present your data in business (not technical) terms. This ensures a seamless integration into Infor's CPM framework.

- *Serducts* guarantee a rapid implementation of your Vision reporting solution. Standard serducts include Microsoft Great Plains®, Microsoft Axapta®, Microsoft Navision®, SAP Business-One, SunSystems, MICROS-Fidelio and MAXIMO®.

PROMOTE DATA INTEGRITY

Vision is so simple to use because sophisticated metadata layers called Serducts work behind the scenes to present data in terms that business users understand. Pre-built data connectors, which are available for Microsoft® Business Solutions, SAP® Business One, SunSystems and other business systems, ensure quick wins in data integrity and reporting quality. Companies can also build custom Serducts to implement business rules and security on other existing data sources for comfortable end-user reporting.

SECURE ACCESS AND CONTROL

Vision's advanced security features ensure that only authorized users can access sensitive data. User privileges are based on those in your data warehouse, ERP or other source systems. Additional restrictions can be applied within Vision if required.

"Vision is very easy to learn and manage and after just one day of training I had the knowledge necessary to design a full set of reports from scratch, which were more comprehensive than those I was able to produce with my previous solution."

Shane Carter
Management accountant
Amnesty International UK