

Hyperion Product Family

Hyperion System 9 BI+



If your company is like the majority of organizations, the business intelligence (BI) tools you use today have been acquired over a period of years and deployed to solve individual departmental needs.

Standardize on the most comprehensive enterprise-wide business intelligence platform available today

A piecemeal, tactical approach puts many IT executives and their teams in the position of managing disparate BI tools and technologies. Silos of overlapping technologies are the common result, accompanied by expensive and redundant costs for software licensing, system maintenance, training, and ongoing support. In addition, managers and decision makers are often unable to obtain the critical information they need to run the business, inhibited by the complexity of using different, specialized tools. Moreover, since standard definitions and business rules are being managed in different

systems, the summary information they require can be—and frequently is—inconsistent from report to report. To address this situation, a growing number of IT decision makers are moving to standardize on an enterprise-wide BI platform that simplifies reporting and analysis for their users and synchronizes information across all reporting environments. Now, a single platform—*Hyperion® System™ 9 BI+™* software—easily delivers this standardization with comprehensive business intelligence—and much more.

“Today, organizations average 3.2 BI tools from different vendors and 13 BI tools altogether. They average almost three online analytical processing (OLAP) and production reporting tools, two dashboard/scorecard and query/reporting tools, and 1.5 data mining and planning/modeling tools.”

*Wayne Eckerson, Research Director, The Data Warehousing Institute**

Hyperion System 9 BI+ software supports your BI standardization strategy by meeting the diverse reporting and analysis needs of every user in every department of your organization with one system that's easy to use and easy to maintain. Information consumers and producers across your enterprise gain the flexibility to quickly create, access, and share the vital information they need to drive better, faster business decisions. A simple but powerful user interface allows business users to service themselves with minimal reliance on IT for report creation. And a single point of deployment and administration, coupled with a modular architecture, dramatically reduces IT support requirements.

One platform delivers the broadest range of BI functionality

Today, IT directors and their teams no longer have to grapple with the expensive and time-sapping development, deployment, and administration of multiple BI tools. With *Hyperion System 9 BI+*, in a single system you gain a comprehensive business intelligence platform with the industry's broadest range of management reporting and analysis capabilities:

Reporting

The *Hyperion System 9 BI+* platform provides the full spectrum of management reporting capabilities that combine both operational and financial information. You can customize high-volume, pixel-perfect reports for publishing to tens of thousands of consumers over the Web with superior throughput. A specialized financial reporting module with pre-defined formatting and built-in financial

intelligence lets you quickly assemble and publish production-quality report books for management control and regulatory filings. And for ad hoc query and reporting, line of business users can create their own interactive reports for monitoring performance and spotting trends.

Dashboards

All your front line managers can access their own personalized dashboard to easily monitor key performance indicators (KPIs) and be alerted to exceptions and out-of-range conditions. In addition, your business analysts can leverage a wizard-driven authoring environment to create prototype and production dashboards in a matter of minutes. With *Hyperion System 9 BI+*, you'll empower your users with rich, highly interactive dashboards that take them from “what” to “why” with as few as two clicks. Moreover, enterprise metrics with cause-and-effect relationships can be developed and centrally managed to ensure alignment across different departments and functions.

* Eckerson, Wayne. *Enterprise Business Intelligence: Strategies and Technologies for Deploying BI on an Enterprise Scale*. The Data Warehousing Institute (August 2005).

Analysis

You can leverage the advanced analytics capabilities of *Hyperion System 9 BI+* to understand root causes of trends in your business and anticipate what might happen next assuming various scenarios. The advanced analytics capabilities of *Hyperion System 9 BI+* power your most demanding multidimensional analytic applications, including budgeting, forecasting, profitability modeling, and scenario planning. Information can be sliced, diced, and manipulated in Microsoft Excel or analyzed in a rich, interactive graphical environment over the Web. A powerful visualization option that utilizes shape, size, color, and gradation enables free-form exploration and data mining to discover hidden patterns in complex data.

Heterogeneous data source support

With *Hyperion System 9 BI+*, you can readily access and analyze data from all sources, including transactional systems, data warehouses, and data marts. Access is available regardless of how the data is stored—in relational, multidimensional legacy databases or file-based systems, like Excel. Native drivers optimize performance for data sources such as IBM DB2, Oracle, SAP R/3, SAP BW, Sybase, and Microsoft SQL Server. And information from multiple data sources can be combined in a single report that allows you to perform side-by-side analysis.

Simplify reporting and analysis to broaden user adoption to BI

According to the August 2005 study conducted by The Data Warehousing Institute, only 18 percent of potential BI users actually use BI tools. Your business users should not be impeded by complex tools that require specialized training. *Hyperion System 9 BI+* features a single, intuitive workspace that provides a rich, consistent user experience for all modes of reporting and analysis, and for all types of users. Unlike most BI Web interfaces, *Hyperion System 9 Workspace™* software offers a true thin client that provides a “Windows on the Web” user experience. A consistent, context-sensitive toolbar and navigation pane guide the user. Reports and queries are wizard-driven with drag-and-drop assembly. Each view during an active session is cached as a tab in the workspace, allowing users to toggle between tabs without having to reload the browser or navigate forward and back buttons.

Hyperion System 9 BI+ utilizes an N-tiered service-oriented architecture. In the Services tier, the Application Services provide processing capabilities and store and share reports, user settings, and other information. In the Web tier, the Web Application Services enable immediate access from the *Hyperion System 9 Workspace* or Java client. This architecture enables *Hyperion System 9 BI+* to run on J2EE-compliant application servers and to be deployed easily across the extended enterprise. *Hyperion System 9 BI+* runs on the Sun Solaris, IBM AIX, and Microsoft Windows NT and Windows 2000 operating systems.

Synchronized information for one version of the truth

Changes that impact management reporting—and decision making—occur daily. Organizational structures, roll-ups of product and customer information, and chart-of-account hierarchies are continuously changing with your business. Using *Hyperion System 9 Master Data Management™* (*Hyperion MDM*) software in conjunction with *Hyperion System 9 BI+*, business users and IT can collaborate to centrally manage these changes. *Hyperion MDM* delivers dramatic time savings and helps synchronize data across systems while providing an audit history to support internal controls. Changes also occur in source systems and in the technical, operational, and business metadata that defines your BI environment. Powerful impact management services isolate which reports are affected by these changes, automatically update all content within them, and synchronize your metadata to reflect these changes.

Hyperion consulting, education, and support services

Hyperion professionals and our selected partners offer a range of resources to customize, enhance, support, and extend your Hyperion solutions. Expert technical consultants with extensive product knowledge can design and deploy a range of quality software solutions to meet your business requirements. Technical support analysts are ready to troubleshoot and resolve your day-to-day challenges promptly and effectively. And skilled course developers and instructors are available to educate all levels of your staff, enabling optimum performance and productivity, and encouraging long-term expertise. From implementation to training to technical support, Hyperion professionals offer everything you need to help your organization achieve its performance goals—and the return on investment you seek. Visit www.hyperion.com/services for more information.

Learn more

For a deeper look at *Hyperion System 9 BI+* software and the capabilities it delivers, please read the following materials:

- *Hyperion System 9 BI+ Essbase® Analytics™ and Hyperion System 9 BI+ Enterprise Analytics™*
- *Hyperion System 9 BI+ Financial Reporting™*
- *Hyperion System 9 BI+ Interactive Reporting™*
- *Hyperion System 9 BI+ Production Reporting™*
- *Hyperion System 9 BI+ Web Analysis™*
- *Hyperion System 9 BI+ Enterprise Metrics™*
- *Hyperion System 9 BI+ Impact Management Services™*
- *Hyperion System 9 BI+ Visual Explorer™*

Also see:

- *Hyperion System 9 Data Management Services™*
- *Hyperion System 9 Foundation Services™*
- *Hyperion System 9 Master Data Management™*

Review these and other *Hyperion System 9* product information and discover what Hyperion can do for your organization at www.hyperion.com. Or contact us at www.hyperion.com/contactus for immediate assistance.

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