# Sage MAS 500 Version 7.2

For more than a decade, Sage MAS 500 has provided users with value and flexibility through innovative technology solutions. Sage MAS 500 Version 7.2 builds on that foundation by leveraging today's technologies to add functionality that will save you even more time and money. New inquiry, analysis, and data management tools improve decision-making by giving you quick and easy access to key information. Expanded and improved capabilities give you more options for managing your business. And enhanced integration with other software applications will streamline your processes and make the most of your administrative time.

# Introducing Business Insights Dashboard

Get the vital information you need to stay in charge of your business all in one place with the new Business Insights Dashboard. Using .NET technology, the Business Insights Dashboard puts an end to information overload by putting up-to-date sales statistics, key accounting data, industry news, and competitive intelligence at your fingertips and all in one place. With this convenient, powerful solution, you get an unsurpassed level of knowledge management that consolidates critical personal, corporate, and external information and enables single-click access to analytical and collaborative tools. Best of all, Business Insights Dashboard comes standard with Sage MAS 500 Version 7.2, so everyone benefits from this new tool.





#### BENEFITS

Stay in charge of your business and get vital information all in one place with the new Business Insights Dashboard

Experience the latest in .NET and SQL Server technology with applications that streamline your business processes

Seamlessly import data for improved integrated reporting capabilities

Improve internal information sharing and collaboration through new Memo Management tools

Enhance efficiency and better manage workflow with improved Warehouse Automation options

Use online tutorials and extended Help options to offer employees comprehensive training

Improve decision making by obtaining exceptional access to a wider range of ad-hoc reports

Leverage the powerful embedded features within Microsoft Office 2007 to drive creation of templates and documents

Business Insights Dashboard uses .NET technology to instantly give you a comprehensive view of critical business information and can be customized for each user's preference.

#### **Customizing and Security**

You can easily customize your dashboard to track almost any business scenario, and individual users can personalize the dashboard view to see what is most important to them. Administrators have complete control over which views a user has access to within the Business Insights Dashboard based on their appropriate role in the organization. Administrators also can modify the personal experience or the global experience within the Business Insights Dashboard by providing default dashboard layouts that each user can then personalize.

#### Leverage the Power of Business Insights Explorer

As an added benefit to the powerful personalized dashboard capabilities, users of Business Insights Dashboard also will have access to Business Insights Explorer views directly from the browser. Users will benefit from the powerful sorting, filtering, grouping and drill-down capabilities provided through the embedded grid without requiring a Sage MAS 500 client installation. This lets administrators grant other information workers access to Sage MAS 500 data at a fraction of the cost simply by purchasing additional Business Insights User licenses.

## NEW! Data Import Manager

Sage MAS 500 continues its strong tradition as an open ERP platform for integration and customization with the new Data Import Manager. Built with the latest .NET and SQL Server technology, the Data Import Manager allows database administrators to configure one-time or regularly scheduled imports into a wide variety of Sage MAS 500 transaction formats using a powerful mapping wizard. The mapping wizard provides the detailed knowledge of Sage MAS 500 including required fields, default validations and lookups while enabling administrators to transform direct feeds from ASCII, Delimited, Microsoft Access, Excel, SQL Server and XML data sources. Developers also can modify the final import package by adding scripting for additional validations and other complex transformations.

For customers ready to make the change from Sage MAS 90 and 200 to Sage MAS 500, you'll see that the Data Import Manager gives you a similar experience to the Visual Integrator found in Sage MAS 90 and 200, making for a smooth transition.



# Enhancements and Updates Throughout!

## Warehouse Automation

We've enhanced this module to streamline your warehouse automation for even greater efficiency and accuracy.

#### Pick by Order or Shipment

Now you can pick based on a sales order number or shipment number, so you can complete urgent orders first without completing an entire pick list or returning to the MAS 500 console. A new automated email feature provides instant feedback to the back office once specific transaction events are processed from the handheld ensuring that key personnel involved within shipment workflow are kept up-to-date.

#### Improved Error Messaging

Warehouse managers get complete visibility into the reason a transaction failed giving them all the information they need to fix the error or follow up on the problem.

#### Improved Warehouse Workflow Options

A set of new options allow warehouse managers to require handheld personnel to perform a specific workflow such as scan items and enter the customer number when picking or packing an order. This process will ensure a more accurate picture of the inventory situation prior to processing new orders.

## Sage MAS 500 Office Update

Sage MAS 500 has consistently provided a robust integration with desktop productivity tools including Microsoft Office. With

Sage MAS 500 Version 7.2, you get added capabilities for developing Office templates and a much improved memo management facility. New and existing users will benefit immediately from these easy-to-use features.

#### Memo Management Enhancements

We added the Memo Management option to all tasks that contain the Sage MAS 500 Office toolbar option and created memos are automatically assigned to the given task such as the voucher, customer or invoice. Business Insights Explorer now includes a new "Active Memos" preview for the most common memos such as Vouchers, Invoices, Work Orders, Projects, Purchase Orders, and Sales Orders.

#### **Office Templates**

Easier and more powerful, the Sage MAS 500 Office template creation and merge functionality now lets you drive the creation of the template from within Word instead of outside the application. Additionally, Sage MAS 500 Office has been implemented as a generic feature and is available in all data entry tasks in addition to providing complete Microsoft Office 2007 support.

### **Business Insights Explorer**

Business Insights Explorer has become the tool of choice for customers to inquire and navigate through the wealth of relational information stored within Sage MAS 500. With Sage MAS 500 Version 7.2, you get a set of new views that allow you to immediately identify and organize critical information. For example, the new "Where Serial Number Used" preview lets you immediately identify where a given item serial number has been used within your business operations.



## **Documentation You Can Use**

We want you to get the most out of your investment in Sage MAS 500, so we updated and upgraded our documentation to include training and search capabilities. We added HTML help and multimedia tutorials, so you can learn on the spot how to handle common tasks and functionality. These new tutorials include:

- Navigating the Desktop
- Customizing the Desktop
- · Entering Data
- Working with MAS 500 Office
- · Printing Reports and Lists
- Introduction to Business Insights Dashboard
- Adding Content to the Dashboard
- Editing the Dashboard
- Viewing Data in Explorer
- · And more!

Plus, all Help topics contain links to the Help Center home page and the FAQs & Troubleshooting page, and you have the option to print specific topics or a book of related topics.

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Get enhanced integration with other important Sage Software products to make your business the best it can be.

#### Sage Abra HRMS Version 7.6

Sage Abra HRMS flexible design gives you a comprehensive array of features and the powerful reporting and analysis capabilities that you need to manage your workforce. With this new release you get enhancements that provide unstructured resume keyword search capabilities, social security number masking, archived profile access, e-mail template communications, employee transfer and promotion capabilities, online benefits administration such as open enrollment and life events management, and EEO-1 and Payroll reporting changes and updates.

#### Sage FAS 500 Version 2008.1

The award winning Sage FAS 500 fixed asset management solution for 2008 includes a robust set of new features and enhancements including additional tax guidance, government compliance and platform updates. With this new release, you get tax law, tax limit, and tax form updates as well as an update to Audit Advisor to improve validation for assets with less than 100 percent business use. Plus, Sage FAS users will benefit from single login through the suite of Sage solutions including Sage MAS 500.

The Sage MAS 500 enhanced Help Center now has multimedia tutorials and links to FAQs and Troubleshooting pages, plus the option to print selected topics in the HTML help pages.



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