



HP Project and Portfolio Management (PPM) Financial Management module

Data sheet



HP Project and Portfolio Management (PPM) Financial Management module manages your company's IT portfolio with real-time visibility into financial performance from budgeting through collection of actual costs.

Get real-time visibility into financial performance

Return on investment (ROI), net present value (NPV), cost of capital, earned value, charge backs. Few IT organizations operate with “blank checks” these days. Limited budgets require tough decisions on what IT commits to: focused projects that increase IT business value, optimize IT service delivery and reduce costs. To make the best decisions, managers need real-time visibility into project budgets and actual costs. But that's not enough for success. They also need simultaneous visibility into project progress, status and the value being realized from projects—for both projects that keep the business running and initiatives that grow and transform the business. HP Project and Portfolio Management (PPM) Financial Management module provides all of this.

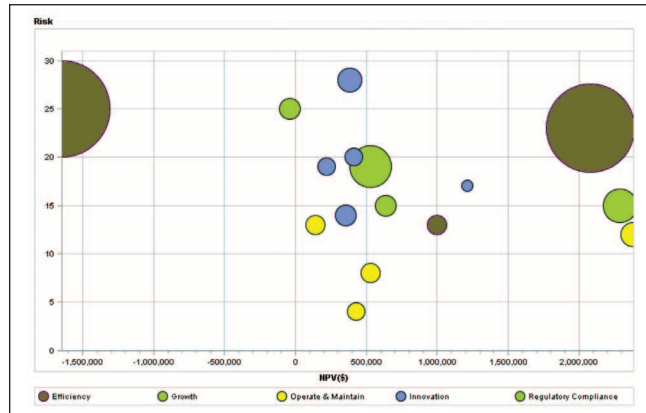
HP PPM Financial Management helps manage your company's IT portfolio of proposals, projects, assets and operational activities with real-time visibility into financial performance. It gives you the information and processes required for making effective portfolio decisions, from top-down planning of project budgets through capturing actual costs when work is performed.

Track and compare actual costs to budgets

One of the keys to effectively managing a portfolio is ready access to both expected costs (budgets) and actual costs. With HP PPM Financial Management, you see out-of-the-box visual comparisons of budgets to actual costs across your entire portfolio or for any combination of individual projects or applications. You can also assess the health of active projects through earned value analysis. Configurable thresholds let you flag projects as red, yellow or green, based on cost performance and schedule performance. These views enable your project managers and IT executives to manage more effectively by exception and priority rather than having to review projects in the portfolio haphazardly.

A portfolio view

HP PPM Financial Management can display a portfolio view of NPV versus risk for all projects by project class.



Align IT budgets, activities and costs

Using current information and unlimited “what-if” scenarios, HP PPM Financial Management extends the capabilities of HP Project and Portfolio Management (PPM) Portfolio Management module. The combination enhances the portfolio manager’s visibility into understanding the current economic investment for an ongoing project that is being evaluated within the portfolio. This insight allows for faster and more educated decisions on which proposals, projects and assets should be in the current portfolio mix.

User-defined categories allow you to “slice and dice” your portfolio across multiple categories, including capital budget, operating budget, resources, expected benefit, realized benefit, project class and asset class. In addition, you can view the breakdown of the portfolio by type of project, sponsoring group or business objective with just a few mouse clicks.

With HP PPM Financial Management, you have real-time visibility into the financial performance of your IT projects. Whether you’re interested in a single project or the entire portfolio, configurable portlets let you “subscribe” to the data that’s relevant to you. Whether it’s earned value, resource costs by task, project or skill, benefits by sponsoring organization or realized savings and expenditures to date, HP PPM Financial Management can provide the information you need.

In addition, HP PPM Financial Management helps you manage projects and activities and balance your project portfolio in real time. Because HP Project and Portfolio Management (PPM) Center software is real-time software, updates for performance metrics are available when you need them—no more three-week delays while status reports are built manually from multiple data sources. You can shift projects in the portfolio based on performance and new funding or the re-allocation of existing funds. You can concentrate on making decisions rather than gathering data. And when someone asks what value you could deliver with more financing, you can answer with confidence.

Manage risks

HP PPM Financial Management also delivers valuable risk management processes for projects and programs. These processes let you capture, document and manage risks as they are identified. Each risk is assigned a severity and probability that should decrease over time as the risk is mitigated. By capturing and tracking all risks, your project managers and financial managers can better assess the true project health and decide upon corrective action.

How HP PPM Financial Management works

HP PPM Financial Management provides real-time visibility into budgets, costs (both labor and non-labor), programs, projects, risks and overall IT demand—without costly integrations to multiple data sources. Costs can be managed in any currency. Budgets are created for labor costs and non-labor charges as well as capital and operational expenditures. Out-of-the-box dashboards elevate visibility into projects with capital expenditures, clearly identifying risk and exposure. Actual labor hours from time sheets, project entries or staffing profiles combine with defined resource rates by skill set, individual or other rules to calculate actual labor costs, using flexible cost rates by resource, project, type of work, date range and more.

HP PPM Financial Management not only provides detailed views of project health, it helps you establish and manage IT budgeting—from project proposal, justification and review to project initiation, execution, deployment and benefits realization. Costs are calculated automatically where possible and otherwise entered manually through an intuitive interface to take advantage of existing financial system investments.

Choose the delivery option that is best for you

HP PPM Financial Management is offered as a managed service or as an in-house solution. You benefit from the flexibility to jump-start your implementation using HP Services and migrate in house when and if you choose. Plus, HP best practices are provided whether you opt for HP Services for faster time to value and lower total cost of ownership or for an in-house implementation backed by an expert team of consultants.

Key features and benefits

- **Visibility and governance:** provides financial visibility and governance throughout the IT lifecycle, enabling your organization to manage IT like a business, manage IT costs by exception and improve the accuracy of estimates.
- **Both strategic and operational activities:** become the touchstone for monitoring cost performance of all IT operations. Business stakeholders see in real time the value that IT is delivering to them.
- **SOP 98-1 support:** uses a built-in capitalization method to reduce capitalization errors and uses out-of-the-box portlets to bring needed visibility and control.
- **Earned value analysis:** automatically tracks and calculates earned value, including both labor and non-labor metrics. Because this analysis is performed automatically for you, your organization can begin managing by earned value without the time and expense traditionally required to capture and calculate necessary values.
- **Breadth of financial coverage:** establishes and manages IT budgets (with both capital and expense items), expected and realized benefits, risks and risk probabilities, actual cost calculations, actual-to-budget comparisons and visual monitors of financial performance to enable real-time analysis of IT transactions and defensible charge backs.
- **Real-time, all-the-time:** 24x7 information is offered through the HP PPM dashboard.

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