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Linux: Run Quicken Personal Finance Management Software

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Q. How do I run Quicken personal finance management software or propitiatory Windows tax software under GNU/Linux?

A. Quicken is a personal finance management tool. There are several versions of Quicken such as Quicken New User, Quicken Basic, Quicken Deluxe, Quicken Premier and Quicken Home & Business. Quicken is Microsoft specific software. However, you can run quicken under Linux using any one of the following methods:



[1]

Use CrossOver Office / Wine To run Quicken

<u>CrossOver Office</u> ^[2] - CodeWeavers' goal is to make Unix (including Linux and Mac OS X) a fully Windows-compatible operating system. All Windows applications should be able to be run on Unix: cleanly, harmoniously, within the native environment, and without using an emulator. You can also use Wine Software. Please note that applications such as Tax and finance software are updated every year, so make sure your version is supported under CrossOver office.

Use Web based software

Many vendor provides web-based tax / finance software.

Use Vmware or Virtualbox

You can install Virtual machine software such as <u>Virtualbox</u> [3] or <u>Vmware</u> [4] to run Windows based tax / finance management software.

Use OpenSouce software

<u>GnuCash</u> ^[5] is an accounting software which implements a double-entry bookkeeping system. It was initially aimed at developing capabilities similar to Intuit, Inc.'s Quicken application, but also has features for small business accounting. Recent development has been focused on adapting to modern desktop support-library requirements.

The first time you run GNUCash, you'll be prompted either to import files in Quicken QIF format or to create a new set of accounts.

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