

BMC Financial Planning and Budgeting

BMC Financial Planning and Budgeting is the first solution of its kind to specifically address the unique financial planning and budgeting needs of IT. By centralizing IT budgeting and planning as part of an integrated IT management process, BMC Financial Planning and Budgeting enables IT managers and IT finance staff to focus more on strategic analyses and decision-making and less on data entry.

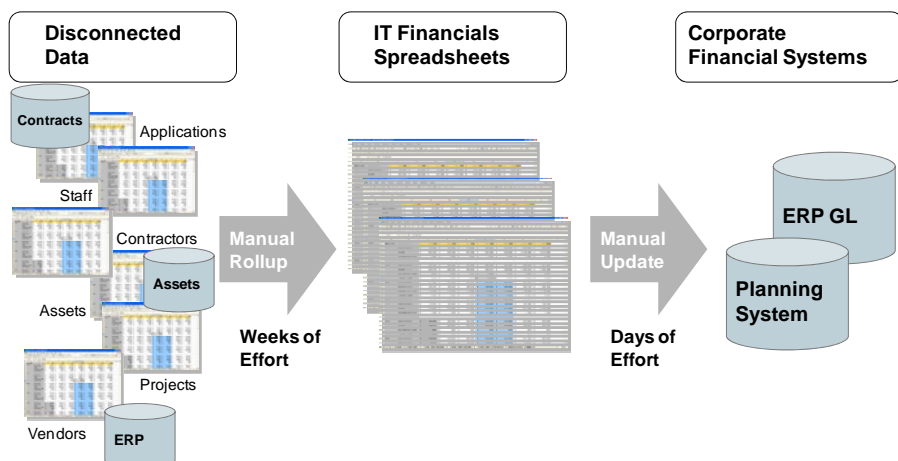
Key Benefits

- » Build stronger client relationships by translating IT costs into business benefits
- » Improve the speed and fidelity of IT financial planning and analysis
- » Transition from spreadsheets and consolidate existing silos of IT financial data
- » Rely on the first comprehensive IT financial management solution built specifically for the CIO and IT management team

Business Challenge

The IT budgeting process is typically a siloed, time-consuming process. It begins with labor-intensive data collection, drawing together data from a variety of point systems and spreadsheets. It is then followed by a manual exercise of rolling up costs in a plethora of spreadsheets (in coordination with tens to hundreds of cost center owners). Finally, it is pushed to corporate financial systems.

Although this process can help to establish a budget, because information is isolated and lacks IT context, the data and effort cannot be further utilized by IT planning and management activities, such as investment planning, tracking “actual” against budget, or analyzing the impact of business shifts on IT spending. Furthermore, this planning cycle can take months and is often unresponsive.



The BMC Solution

BMC Financial Planning and Budgeting provides a complete environment for IT financial planning and budgeting that enables key cost planning information to be centralized and maintained on an ongoing basis, enabling IT managers and IT finance staff to focus more on strategic analyses and decision-making and less on data entry. Unlike corporate finance planning tools, BMC Financial Planning and Budgeting allows IT leadership and managers to inventory, budget, and forecast from the perspective of IT resources, activities, and associated costs — spanning both project and operational efforts. The solution works seamlessly with other BMC solutions, such as BMC Demand and Resource Management for project costs, and BMC Supplier Management for costs related to IT asset and vendor-provided services. Centralizing IT financial management eliminates wasted effort and compliance risk associated with manually managing this critical information in spreadsheets.

The BMC Financial Planning and Budgeting planning scenario capability supports a wide range of IT planning and budgeting activities.

Department Planning

- » Per-scenario, hierarchical department-level planning
- » Capital and expense budget tracking
- » Budget “plan vs. actual” costs monitoring
- » Access controls to allow managers to create and update their budgets

What-if Analysis

- » Ability to create and compare what-if planning scenarios
- » Ability to create scenarios for different time horizons — quarter, year, or multiyear

Planning for Sustaining “Lights-On” Costs

- » Hardware, software, and other assets
- » IT staff and contractors
- » Outside services, maintenance, and leases

Planning Project Costs

- » Ability to load project budgets into planning scenarios
- » Ability to create and compare scenarios with alternative project portfolios

Leveraging integration with other applications in the BMC IT Business Management Suite, BMC Financial Planning and Budgeting relates costs to the IT inventory of assets, staff, projects, and vendor services, providing a single source of truth for financial planning across all IT spend.

Meeting the Sarbanes-Oxley Compliance Challenge

Organizations are finding that managing and maintaining financial information in spreadsheets does not pass the test when it comes to meeting the process governance requirements of Sarbanes-Oxley and other regulations. BMC Financial Planning and Budgeting allows IT to move critical financial information off of spreadsheets and into a centralized enterprise system that enables the process controls required.

Delivering Rapid Time-To-Value

Deploying an enterprise-class financial management solution for IT may seem like a daunting challenge. However, BMC Financial Planning and Budgeting can be deployed in stages, leveraging the data and effort of your existing financial planning process.

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You may choose to score an immediate win by consolidating the information you are already collecting into BMC Financial Planning and Budgeting, thus escaping the “spreadsheet quagmire” and enabling the advanced analytics and planning capabilities with a centralized repository of financial data. Or, you may choose to start your deployment by focusing on project financial planning, using BMC Financial Planning and Budgeting to analyze the costs of proposed and ongoing projects, programs, and project portfolios. You can always expand your use of BMC Financial Planning and Budgeting over time to include the costing of infrastructure, sustaining activities, and department budgets.

BMC Consulting Services is adept at working with customers to formulate pragmatic deployment strategies for BMC Financial Planning and Budgeting that provide high value quickly and efficiently.

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