**AEM History**

**Early History**

AEM (Adobe Experience Manager) or formerly known as CQ5 history.

CQ5 was originally started by Day Software Company (Switzerland based) in early 2000s with the name Communiqué (expansion for CQ).

On 28 July 2010 Day Software was acquired by Adobe Systems for US$240 million.

**Recent History**

CQ5 renamed by Adobe as Adobe Experience Manager in 2013 and became one of the popular web based content management system.

AEM enables organizations to create and manage website, content and digital asserts through/for several medium such as mobile, tablet and desktop.

AEM provides capability

* To build and manage responsive design
* Easy to build e-commerce website
* Helps to manage and organize multilingual websites
* Easy to organize and manage digital asserts
* Manage and launch campaigns from one central location

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| **Version** | **Release Date** | **Highlights** |
| Day CQ 1.0 | Early 2000s | Started by Day Software.  CGI Scripts for Netscape Enterprise Server. |
| Day CQ 2.0 | Early 2000s | Standalone application.  C Programming Language.  HTTP server embedded.  File system based storage. |
| Day CQ 3.0 | Early 2000s | Rewritten as Web application in JAVA.  HTTP Server separated.  Content Bus storage. |
| Day CQ 4.0 | 2005 | Content Bus storage over JCR.  Two Web apps CRX, CQ. |
| Day CQ 5.0 | 2008 | Complete Rewrite of application |
| Adobe Day CQ 5.4 | 2011 | Acquired by Adobe.  Managing Websites for Mobile Devices.  Managing the CQ Workflow inbox on the iPhone/iPad.  Authoring with the iPad .  Campaigns  Reporting  CRX Clustering  Annotations  Video Component  Carousel Component  Working with Workflows  Forums  Community Console  Profiles |
| Adobe Day CQ 5.5 | 2012 | New architecture- OSGI based architecture.  New undo/redo functionality while editing content.  New Analytics Framework based on an integration with Adobe SiteCatalyst.  New integration with Adobe Search&Promote.  Improved integration with Adobe Test&Target.  Improved Campaign Manager UI. Integration with Adobe Scene7.  XMP metadata write-back for selected file formats. CQ DAM Proxy and Proxy Workers.  Using a Proxy to Integrate with InDesign Server.  Remote server monitoring and management via Java Management Extensions (JMX).  Page Exporter |
| Adobe Experience Manager (AEM) 5.6 | 2013 | Adobe renamed CQ5 with new Name Adobe Experience Manager.  Introduction to Touch UI.  Offloading Jobs |
| Adobe Experience Manager (AEM) 6.0 | 2014 | Replaced CQSE with Jetty.  New HTML Template language (HTL)- formerly known as Sightly.  Jackrabbit Oak (aka Jackrabbit 3)  Upgrade CRX repository from CRX 2.0 to CRX 3.0  Deprecated the concept of reverse replication and introduced UGC (User Generated Content) or social communities.  Touch UI became functional.  New implementation for Social Component Framework |
| Adobe Experience Manager (AEM) 6.1 | 2015 | Improved Touch UI Authoring interface.  Introduced Cold standby Topology for disaster recovery.  Introduced transient workflows.  Lot of improvements for Touch UI Interface. |
| Adobe Experience Manager (AEM) 6.2 | 2016 | Lot of User Interface Improvements.  Dashboard for Monitoring Queues.  Introduction of content fragments.  Introduced editable templates using template editor. |
| Adobe Experience Manager (AEM) 6.3 | 2017 | [Click here for release notes](https://forums.adobe.com/thread/2321903) |