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Accounting Software - Which One Should You Choose

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Summary:

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[www.accsoft-ch.com/](http://www.accsoft-ch.com/) Account Pro

This is complex, yet easy-to-use accounts software. It comes in two versions: Account Pro (has every feature enabled) and Account Pro Lite (a simpler version). It is multilingual, multicurrency and can be linked on up to three computers. It can work with projects and cost centers and the discount and tax transactions can be done automatically. Another plus is that it can work with both the British and American type of accounting.

[www.clarisys.ca/](http://www.clarisys.ca/) Executive

Business requiring sophisticated accounting will benefit the most from

Executive. Three types of invoices, multiple bank account capabilities and multicurrency system are just a few of the features the programmers developed for Executive. Even though initial Executive can be used on one computer only, it can be upgraded to an unlimited number of users. Other features include: up to 5 currencies simultaneously and unlimited number of budgets. Any report can be printed in any currency and separate transactions journals are held for the different currencies as well.

[www.simplyaccounting.com/](http://www.simplyaccounting.com/) Simply Accounting 2005

This software has all the requirements of a multi-user, large business accounting software should have. It has specialized options for manufacturing, inventory and service. It is notable that the number of possible currencies can be virtually unlimited. Data can be analyzed and accessed simultaneously by multiple users. It has a powerful search engine to help you find just the record you are looking for. Reports can be created through Microsoft® Word and Excel.

[www.microsoft.com/office/](http://www.microsoft.com/office/) Microsoft Office Small Business  
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The latest accounting software from the giant Microsoft has quite a few pluses, such as a competitive price, it is easy to use and learn, well built accounting tools for small business and goes perfectly with the Microsoft® Office suite. Unfortunately it depends a little too much on the Office suite, making it inaccessible to people who use other productivity suites.

[www.peachtree.com](http://www.peachtree.com). Peachtree by Sage Complete  
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Peachtree Complete Accounting is multi-user, robust accounting software. It provides the user with valuable information on accounts and staff. It has advanced features like Bill Pay and Online Bank Reconciliation. Time and billing, fixed assets and job costing, are just a few of the basic features it includes.

The end

Whatever software you might choose just remember this: Accounting is the backbone of every business.