

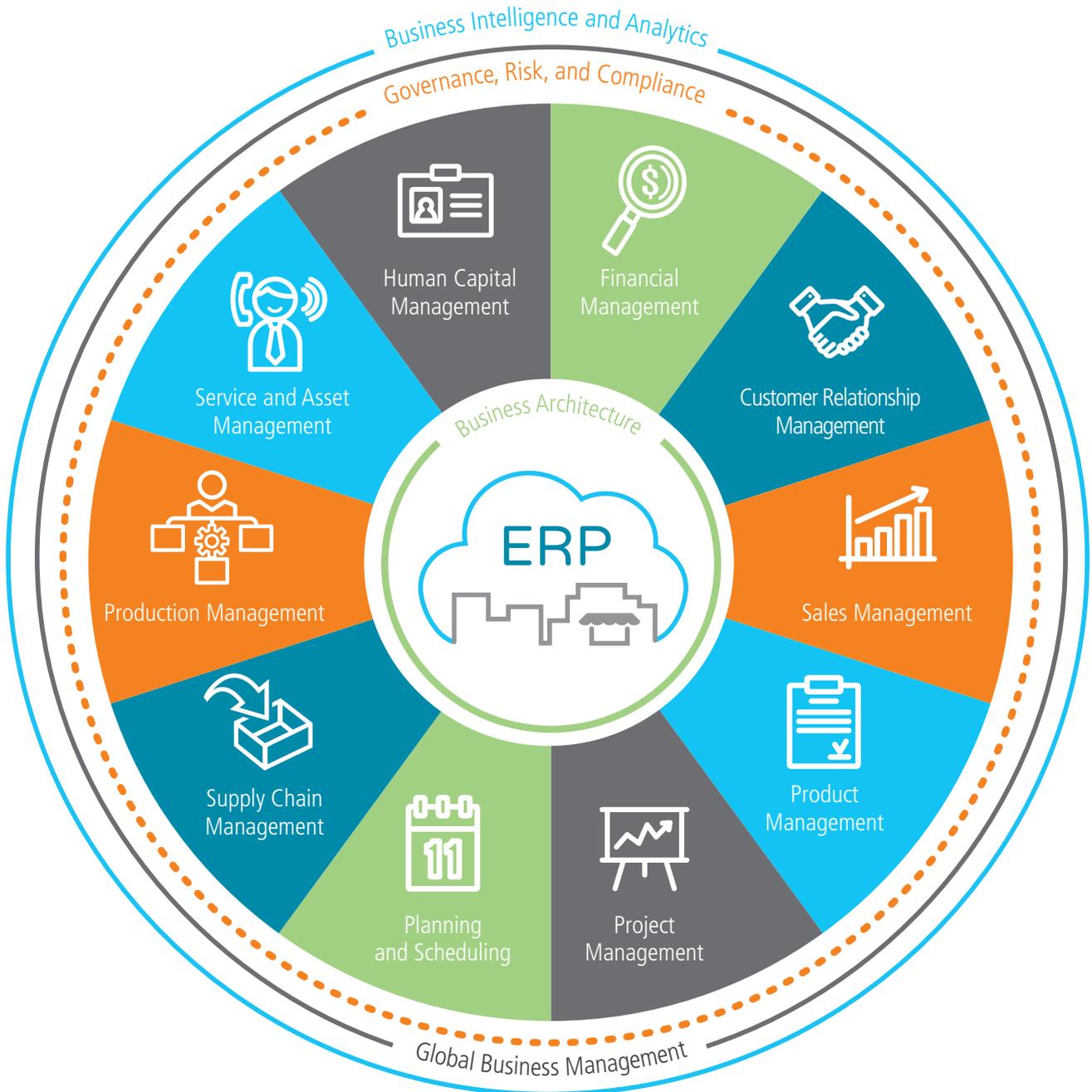
Epicor® Enterprise
Resource Planning

Global Business Management



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Epicor ERP Diagram





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- ▶ Multicompany Management
- ▶ Multicurrency Management
- ▶ Global Multisite Management
- ▶ Multilingual Data Management
- ▶ Master Data Management
- ▶ Scalable Deployment
- ▶ Global Engines

Whether through acquisition or organic growth, more and more companies are wrestling with the complexities of managing multiple business entities. Epicor Global Business Management helps to ensure that no matter how distributed your organization becomes, you can maximize efficiency and drive business results. To support the needs of today’s increasingly distributed business, Epicor offers robust global business functionality. You can perform transactional functions between systems and entities—including intercompany transactions such as intercompany orders, transfer orders, and shipments between plants and warehouses. Epicor facilitates these scenarios within a single application that is flexible enough to grow with you as you expand your business. Epicor Global Business Management offers organizations the essential tools needed to create and maintain a single version of the truth.

Global Multisite Management

Supply chains demand synchronization of production with distribution and logistics. This is most effectively accomplished with a single system providing visibility and consolidation of resources in multiple facilities. Companies may also prefer to run business functions centralized with separate production and distribution functions, or they may run them separately with the ability to consolidate financials at month or quarter-end. Epicor supports both scenarios within Global Multisite Management, providing support for centralized accounting and purchasing, while allowing separation of production and distribution facilities. Manufacturing and distribution organizations can also leverage the planning and scheduling efficiencies with robust multiplant functionality. Complete functionality includes:

- ▶ Sourcing by plant
- ▶ Comprehensive production plant visibility
- ▶ Virtual plant support
- ▶ Shared warehouses
- ▶ Costing by plant
- ▶ Alternate BOMs and routings per plant
- ▶ Multiplant scheduling functions

Multilingual Data Management

Corporate growth and expansion inevitably leads to new markets and new geographies. Epicor Multilingual Management—alongside Epicor Global Configurable Engines—facilitates this growth with resources that can manage your business wherever you take it, with support for country-specific requirements around tax, currency, and languages. Complete functionality includes Epicor Layered Client Framework, which separates the language of the business logic from the language of the end-user interface, so your organization can operate seamlessly.

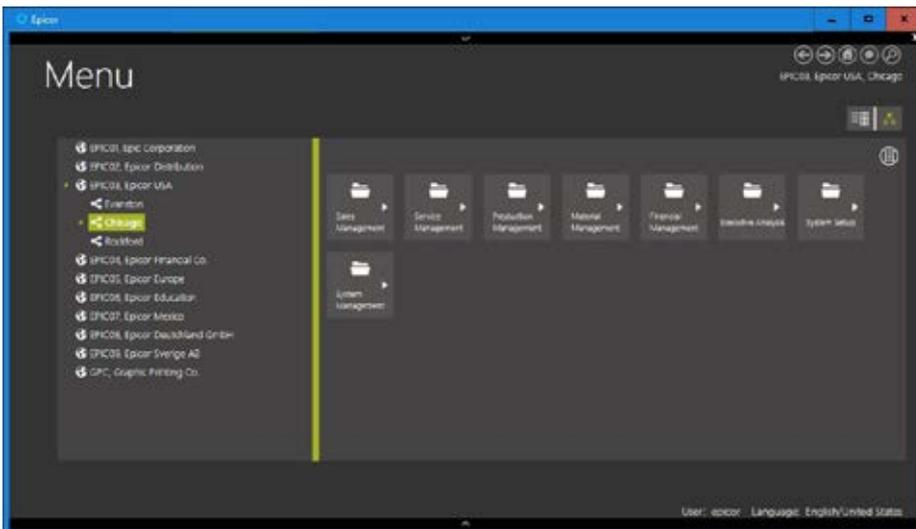


Figure 12 Multicompany Management—Create user and role profiles across companies and move effortlessly between them using simple menu hierarchies.

Multicompany Management

Streamline your business with Epicor Multicompany Management by consolidating operations such as procurement and accounts payable, and improve operational visibility across companies with advanced tools.

Automation and recognition of intercompany financial transactions can optimize enterprise performance to shorten lead times on key product lines. Additionally, from a financial perspective, multicompany organizations may choose to not only report as individual entities, but also consolidate multiple currencies and report across business entities to a single consolidation company. Underpinning this functionality is a comprehensive, scalable technology framework to support global enterprises that offers development choice, and includes a set of productivity enhancing tools designed to support global business operations. Multicompany Management functionality includes:

- ▶ Easy multicompany navigation
- ▶ Global management of customers, parts, and suppliers
- ▶ Comprehensive global credit management
- ▶ Flexible account management
- ▶ Centralized payments
- ▶ Consolidated purchasing
- ▶ Multicompany consolidation

- ▶ Global supplier price agreement
- ▶ Multicompany journal entry
- ▶ Intercompany trading and eliminations
- ▶ Multicompany views and dashboards
- ▶ Flexible company hierarchy

(See figure 12)

Multicurrency Management

Multicurrency Management automates the process of both buying and selling in foreign currencies, including tracking of default currencies and extensive exchange rate tables. Lock transactions in at a specified rate with automatic gain or loss reporting, reducing the guesswork from handling foreign transactions. Throughout the Epicor system, the currency symbol is displayed to notify the user of the currency being used. Multicurrency Management functionality includes:

- ▶ Revaluation options
- ▶ Multiple currency tables
- ▶ Updatable exchange rate tables
- ▶ Gain/loss reporting
- ▶ Base currency reporting
- ▶ Flexible currency capabilities including price lists, quotations, orders, service contracts, invoices and vouchers, cash receipts, supplier pricing, and purchase orders

Master Data Management

The recent emphasis on regulatory compliance, the advent of service-oriented architecture (SOA), and mergers and acquisitions has made the creation, stewardship, and maintenance of accurate and complete master data a business imperative. Epicor Master Data Management (MDM) can help to ensure that your Multicompany and Multisite data meets regulatory requirements and also provides the consistency needed for real-time distributed operations—leading to greater customer satisfaction, operational efficiency, and business performance.

Scalable Deployment

Deploy your companies on a single server/single database, or on multiple databases and multiple servers around the world. Many enterprises require their companies' data management systems to be geographically dispersed on different servers and different databases, to protect against site downtime.

- ▶ Multiple companies within a single database
- ▶ Single server with multiple databases
- ▶ Multiple servers with single or multiple databases
- ▶ Communication across databases and servers in all directions

Robust, Flexible Global Engines

Epicor ERP delivers extensible functionality and flexible options that can help you minimize your organization's exposure to regulatory changes and mandates that can subject your business to financial penalties that adversely affect corporate credibility and compromise brand reputation. With a series of interlocking global engines, you can easily configure the rules that determine how transactions are posted, where they are posted how tax is calculated, how currency is handled, and how data is stored. These Epicor ERP global engines include tax, currency, rounding, legal, posting, compliance, and book engines.

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