

EasyReporter

Ultimate End User Reporting

EasyReporter is a powerful yet easy-to-use tool for generating reports on corporate computer systems. Even inexperienced users can build sophisticated reports quickly and easily with EasyReporter.

The Challenge . . . Easy Access to Corporate Data

Today we live with an explosion of data. Yet that data can be meaningless unless decision makers can retrieve the right facts, in the right format, at the right time.

In this environment where end users are information-hungry, businesses need better access to corporate data. But many information access tools on the market make it hard and time-consuming to get the right information at the right time.

Users are putting pressure on their already stretched information technology (IT) resources to provide easier access to data for faster and better decision-making.

The Solution . . . EasyReporter

A powerful, flexible reporting tool like EasyReporter can help ease that pressure and allow IT staff to concentrate on other projects.

Targeted for end users and requiring minimal support from a system administrator, EasyReporter provides sophisticated report-generating capability with a friendly face. It is particularly suitable for standard, scheduled, repetitive reports generated by non-technical end users in medium to large-scale organizations such as healthcare, education, manufacturing, insurance or government. However, anyone needing specific information can easily produce custom-tailored reports.

EasyReporter's data retrieval methods are transparent. End users don't have to know how to program or how database file structures are set up — only what information they want, and how they want their report to look.

Choose Your Interface

EasyReporter and EasyReporter for Windows enterprise reporting tools are designed to address your information requirements and offer a choice of end-user interfaces: character terminal mode or Microsoft Windows-standard.

EasyReporter provides matching screens in both modes. End users can switch from terminals to PCs and see similar screens in each system. Both front ends maintain consistent access to the underlying data.

The Windows interface offers icons, dialogs, buttons, drag-and-drop functionality and more. EasyReporter for Windows displays results in a variety of ways on a PC, using spreadsheets, Web browsers and other formats.

Powerful and Easy To Use

EasyReporter provides a straightforward, intuitive interface for executing standard reports or designing new ones. Reports can be designed in a standalone environment, without making a connection to the host.

Even inexperienced users can create sophisticated reports with standard output types such as mailing labels, summary reports, cross-tab reports and ASCII files. The multi-layout feature lets you create hot links from the primary report to drill down to detailed data.

With EasyReporter, the IT department retains control of the data. The EasyReporter dictionary maps tables into business terms, helping end users find the information they want. Data security can be applied all the way down to the record level, and authorization levels can be customized per user to protect sensitive corporate records.

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In Harmony with Your Environment

EasyReporter for Windows offers complete integration with many tools that run under Microsoft Windows.

- You can easily download data into PC applications such as Lotus 1-2-3, dBase, Excel and Word.
- You can generate HTML reports for display with any Web browser.
- You can send data files to Speedware Media OLAP Business Intelligence system, which lets you analyze your data and display it graphically.
- You can download data using DDE to continually update charts and graphs.

Database Support

EasyReporter supports DB2/6000, Progress, Sybase, Oracle, Image, Image SQL, Allbase, Netbase, Informix and Omnidex databases, plus indexed, flat files and more.

Customize your report before sending it to the printer or to a Web browser. It's as easy as point and click.

The screenshot shows the EasyReporter application window with a report titled "All Orders to Date". The report displays a list of orders with columns: Customer Name, Order No, Order Date, Prod No, Qty Ordered, and Order Line Total. The data is grouped by customer name, including "Aardvark Book Shop" and "Andy's Book Store". Below the report, there is a section for "Item Selection Criteria" and "Report Item Search Operation Search Value(s)".

System Security

EasyReporter's security facilities are comprehensive, with security defined at three levels: user ID for initial access, user operating levels plus restricted functions.

Customer Support and Service

Although EasyReporter is simple to use, we strongly recommend training to help users maximize their productivity and take advantage of all that EasyReporter has to offer.

Features and Benefits

- Templates for standard reports let you create new reports fast
- Multi-level user security protects sensitive corporate data
- Sophisticated reporting features permit end users to design reports without calling on IT staff
- Integration with Microsoft Windows applications offers a variety of file formats
- Fast client/server communications provide fast, accurate access to centralized data
- Central data dictionary provides end users with corporate data from a single location
- Terminal and/or Windows front ends allow versatility.

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