

Does your Oracle ERP License support the changing needs of your business?

As your business grows and expands, it's important to ensure that your ERP licensing is compatible with your current needs, but until now, that was far easier said than done!

QCloud License Audit is a Cloud-based service which analyzes your actual ERP usage and provides accurate statistics and detailed forensic evidence about user activity in each module – within hours and with no technical effort.



QCloud License Audit can help if you:

- Want to get a handle on your ERP license position
- Need to establish how many ERP licenses you require to support your current business operations, and planned changes
- Suspect that you may be under-licensed
- Need to prepare for a visit from the Oracle License Management team
- Are considering converting to named user licensing from a different licensing metric
- Think that you will need more JDE licenses in the future
- Would like a clearer view of exactly who is using which ERP modules.

Why choose QCloud?

QCloud analysis and reporting encapsulates Q Software's 20+ years' experience of working with JD Edwards. We understand how JD Edwards works.

Using QCloud, you will benefit from the in-depth knowledge of our security, audit and development experts and be able to produce accurate audit reports efficiently, with no technical effort.

QCloud License Audit is also available for Oracle E-Business Suite.

Also available: QCloud Security Audit for JD Edwards EnterpriseOne and World, Oracle E-Business Suite and Oracle ERP Cloud.

Benefits

- Find out if you're paying for too few licenses
- Obtain better data to inform licensing decisions
- Forensic evidence shows the true user count for licensing purposes
- Be better prepared for Oracle license negotiations
- Accurate usage information facilitates a mutually satisfactory deal
- Promotes good Software Asset Management practice
- Provides an extra level of scrutiny over security
- Helps you to identify users with too much access and tighten up security.

Features

How it works

Simply login to QCloud to submit your audit request. On the first run, you'll receive an email with instructions on how to download and configure QAgent. This will take around 30 minutes, and it's the only part of the process that needs technical assistance.

QAgent collects the necessary information from your ERP system, encrypts it, then pushes it to QCloud for analysis.

The audit is usually completed overnight, and you'll receive an email with a link to access the results via QCloud. The results can be viewed by authorized users from anywhere, at any time.

What the results show

QCloud License Audit analyzes your ERP usage, producing counts and lists of the number of unique users of each of the SKUs identified in Oracle's pricelist. It reports on:

- Summarized statistics on users of each SKU Suite, or ERP module (e.g. Financial Management Suite)
- Detailed statistics on users of the SKUs within each suite (e.g. Accounts Payable or Job Costing).

The results can be viewed through interactive enquiries, and you can also download the details in a spreadsheet for forensic evidence or further analysis.

The results show counts and lists of three types of users:

Users with Access:

All users with security which enables them to carry out transactions in the SKU or SKU Suite module, including access via Menus and Fastpath. Note that some of these users may not have actually updated tables in the SKU, but they have the ability do so. Drill down to find out which roles give them this access.

Transacted Users:

All users who have updated tables within the SKU or SKU Suite. Note that read-only users are not included in these counts and lists as they don't need to have a license. You can drill down to find out which programs they used to update the tables and the roles that gave them this access.

Associated Table Users:

In JD Edwards, certain tables are used across multiple SKUs for different purposes, and they are listed in the price sheet as part of all the relevant SKUs.

There may be instances where a table in one of your

licensed SKUs is updated by a program from an SKU that you are NOT licensed to use. This type of update does not mean that you need a license for the unlicensed SKU, but it would produce a "false positive" Transacted User if it were not analyzed separately.

Associated Table Users show where tables in your licensed SKUs have been updated, but by programs that are NOT part of that SKU. You can drill down to see the evidence of which programs were used to perform the transactions.

Contract Licenses (optional)

If you wish, you can input the details of your licensed SKU entitlements. The audit results will display your entitlements alongside the usage data so that you can easily see where you are under-licensed.

How can you use the results?

The results give you an accurate view of actual usage over 3, 6 or 12 months as required, and provide detailed forensic evidence to help you understand your licensing needs and support your negotiations with Oracle.

They can also be used to:

Identify redundant access rights

Discrepancies between the number of Users with Access and Transacted Users may indicate that some users have access that they don't need and shouldn't have. This could lead to a security risk.

The detailed audit results show you which roles grant the unused access to users, giving you the opportunity to remove it and tighten up security.

Provide an extra level of scrutiny over security

The results show you exactly who is doing what in your ERP system, which can sometimes uncover unintended or unauthorized access rights. You can use this information to clean up the Role assignments and remove undesirable access. This may also reduce your license liability.

Data security

Your data and results are fully secure and private:

- All data 'in-flight' and 'at rest' in the Cloud is encrypted, and QCloud uses a secure Multi-Tenant architecture, so your information can never be seen by other tenants.
- The API keys supplied with Q Agent are only valid for the duration of the audit; new keys are issued for subsequent audits.

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