



Advanced Financial Reporting

Create Financial and Management Reports with the Details You Need

Epicor Advanced Financial Reporting (AFR) allows the creation and distribution of professional financial reports to company stakeholders. It allows the management and viewing of financial data in a user friendly and easy to use environment. Financial reports are different from other reports because each line has to be defined in terms of account ranges or sets for which a certain total needs to be calculated, versus other types of reports which do not require definitions of such complex groups. AFR simplifies report creation by exposing an intuitive interface which speaks to the user in familiar financial terms.

AFR creates reports using the elements familiar to an accountant or financial professional. These include spreadsheet terms such as rows and columns. It also provides an additional element of reporting hierarchy or trees allowing the viewer to generate the report for the area of the business which is their responsibility. Because the reports are parameter driven, the viewer can generate the report at any time by selecting the parameters of time, company, book or organizational element as required without the need for intervention by the financial team.

Benefits

- Made for financial report writers
- Reusable elements:
 - Drill down to GL transaction detail
 - Output via Microsoft SSRS
 - Create once, use many times
 - Multicompany reports
 - Multi-book reports
 - Multi-currency reports
 - Financial data security
 - GL account based filters and hierarchies
 - Output reports in PDF, XLS, XML and printed formats
- Reports can support different:
 - Row set wizard
 - Reporting tree wizard
 - Pre-defined report templates
 - Import from FRx database
 - Import from management reporter database
 - Language globalization

Enterprise-wide distribution of financial reports

AFR incorporates the flexibility of Microsoft® SQL Server™ Reporting Services (SSRS) to manage various distribution and security methods for reporting including scheduled processing of reports, Web deployment, automated distribution methods including user subscription lists and groups, standard printing and e-mailing of reports.

Number	Description	Type	Expression	Values	Settings
10	Maximum	Account Sum			
20	Sales	Account List	4000+005 * 4030+040		
30	Sales Returns	Account List	6100+000		
40	Sales Discounts	Account List	4000+000		
50		Single under score			
60	Net Sales	Row Sum	20-40		
70		Single under score			
80	Cost of Goods Sold	Account List	5000+000		
90		Single under score			
100	Gross Margin	Expression	>60-100		
110		Single under score			
120	Expenses	Account Sum			
130	Salaries and Wages Expense	Account List	6010		
140	Office Expense	Account List	6011		
150	Supplies Expense	Account List	6012		
160	Rent Expense	Account List	6131+6135		
170	Travel Expense	Account List	6013		
180		Single under score			
190	Total Operation Expenses	Row Sum	130-170		
200		Single under score			
210	Income from Operations	Expression	>100-190		
220		Single under score			
230	Interest Expense	Account List	4000+000		
240		Single under score			
250	Income Before Taxes	Expression	>210+230		

Report designer

AFR offers a graphical and tabular design interface that includes a hierarchical view of business data for easy selection of a single account or range of accounts from a single or multiple business units. AFR Report Designer is flexible and easily tailored to your unique financial data. AFR also includes preview functionality for designers to check numerical results of a report prior to publishing.

Row sets

Tailor vertical report elements by identifying accounts to include based on various methods including a range of accounts; accounts derived from specific account categories defined within Epicor, or dynamic lists of accounts. Data can also include complex calculations, formatting options, and user defined expressions.

Column sets

Tailor horizontal report elements by identifying column types including column details such as description, balance, budget, and complex calculations. For transactional detail reports, users can define the detail of the transaction to be displayed including transaction number, date, line detail, descriptions and other detailed information. Further tailor column sets by applying filtering criteria such as time, account segments, books, and companies.

Reporting tree

Visual representation of reporting hierarchy is available with the reporting tree. The tree enables simplified generation of separate reports for each level in the tree. These hierarchical trees may be based on account segments (e.g., for department, business line, project), the chart of accounts, time-based, or user-defined data elements in the data dictionary.

Single book or multiple books

Optimize control of operations with support of financial reporting against a single book or multiple books in a single report.

Consolidation of enterprise-wide data

AFR enables access to financial data from any number of companies at the same time. This simplifies consolidation across departments, divisions or companies and can improve business visibility.

AFR report viewer

Report viewers can access reports online, refresh report data, and print, view online, or export reports to a number of formats including Microsoft Excel®, PDF, and TIF. Exported data can be used to create XBRL® reports for electronic filing.

Drill down

Using the reporting tree nodes, users can drill down into operational summarizations of key business units; they can drill down all the way to the transaction level.

The screenshot displays three overlapping financial reports from the Epicor AFR system. The top report is the 'Epicor Distribution, Epicor USA Multiple Book Income Statement' for the period ending Thursday, July 05, 2012. It shows a comparison between the current period and year-to-date data across multiple books. The middle report is the 'Epicor Distribution, Epicor USA Income Statement Detail' for the same period, providing a breakdown of revenues and expenses by account. The bottom report is the 'General Ledger Journal Detail Report' for transactions dated from 6/21/12 to 7/3/12, showing individual journal entries with their respective codes, numbers, dates, descriptions, and debit/credit amounts.

Description	Current Period			Year To Date		
	Epicor Distribution Main Book	Epicor USA Main Book	TOTAL	Epicor Distribution Main Book	Epicor USA Main Book	TOTAL
Revenues						
Sales	0.00	0.00	0.00	-32,007.82	-1,918.00	-33,925.82
Sales Returns	0.00					
Sales Discounts	0.00					
Net Sales	0.00					
Cost of Goods Sold	0.00					
Gross Margin	0.00					
Expenses						
Cost of Goods Sold						
Cost of Goods Sold						
Cost of Goods Sold						
Cost of Goods Sold						
Gross Margin						

Description	Account	Account Description	Period 7 / 2012	Year To Date 2012
Revenues				
Sales	4010-00-00	Sales - Fabricated - CHG - CORP	0.00	-118.00
Sales	4000-00-00	Sales - Fabricated - CHG - CORP	0.00	1800.00
Net Sales				
Cost of Goods Sold				
Cost of Goods Sold				
Cost of Goods Sold				
Cost of Goods Sold				
Gross Margin				

Journal Code	Journal Number	Line Number	Date	Journal Description	Debit Amount	Credit Amount
CD	1.00	1.00	1/30/2012	Fy:11213 Epicor Distributor Co.	0.00	1287.00
GJ	1.00	1.00	1/5/2012	THIS	1000.00	0.00
CD	2.00	1.00	1/30/2012	Fy:112112 Epicor Distribution Co.	0.00	1300.00
GJ	2.00	1.00	3/23/2012	THIS	1000.00	0.00
GJ	3.00	1.00	5/17/2012	This	25400.00	0.00
GJ	1.00	1.00	6/13/2012	DS	10000.00	0.00
CR	1.00	1.00	1/27/2012	Fy:111717 Epicor USA	3785.76	0.00
SJ	1.00	1.00	4/3/2012	IV-45464 Dalton Manufacturing	1800.00	0.00
SJ	2.00	1.00	4/3/2012	IV-45465 Mass Heat and Air	118.00	0.00

Report templates

A set of pre-defined Report Templates have been created to enable users to more simply edit rather than create new reports from scratch.

The reports included in the download package are:

- Standard balance sheet summary report
- Detailed balance sheet report
- Standard income statement report summary with detailed breakdown and general ledger journal detail
- General ledger journal detail report
- General ledger trial balance report
- Multi-company/multi-book income statement report summary with detailed breakdown and general ledger
- Journal detail

Import from FRx® and management reporter

The import functionality was created to allow users to import and convert reports and dimensions from Microsoft FRx and Management Reporter databases for use in Advanced Financial Reporting so that new reports don't need to be built.

Define user financial data security

This enables you to restrict access to particular financial data in reports to certain users and user groups. You can do this at the database, company, book, and account level. Meaning users will only have access to the financial data you want them to see.

Multicurrency

The Advanced Currency Conversion Definition option enables the use of actual currency master and exchange rate data replicated from an Epicor ERP system. You can separately set each report column to display in a different currency, which greatly improves the options for side-by-side multi-currency reports.

Wizards

AFR contains wizards to help users setup both row sets and reporting trees based on a chart of accounts. This greatly reduces the time taken to create reporting trees, especially those with a large number of nodes and levels.

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