



Highlights

- Align your business needs to your upgrade strategy
 - Optimize an upgrade plan for your priorities
 - Utilize IBM Cognos technical experts in planning your upgrade
 - Take advantage of new Cognos Business Intelligence software features and options
 - Learn proven practices from IBM product experts on the upgrade process
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IBM Cognos Business Intelligence V10.x Upgrade Assessment

Considerations

To fully benefit from the most current architecture and functionality of IBM® Cognos® Business Intelligence V10.1 or higher, the process requires a thorough understanding of the differences between the two platforms and consideration of the strategy and plans for your upgrade. Questions that often arise:

- What upgrade strategies and approaches should be considered?
- What are the best means to compare and validate IBM Cognos Business Intelligence V8.4.1 and IBM Cognos Business Intelligence V10.1 or higher content?
- Which Cognos Business Intelligence applications would be most suitable for upgrade?
- Which applications could best take advantage of new features and functionality?
- What Cognos Business Intelligence V10.1 or higher considerations such as security, performance, and stability are needed?
- How long could it take to upgrade Cognos Business Intelligence and how much resource investment might be needed?
- What are the latest proven practice standards for upgrading to Cognos Business Intelligence V10.1 or higher?



Overview

The IBM Cognos Business Intelligence V10 Upgrade Assessment Service is a 1 - 2 day interactive session, either onsite or remote, to gather high-level information about your Cognos Business Intelligence. The service provides preliminary insight into your upgrade readiness and essential input for planning your upgrade.

The value of the service includes:

- Assess upgrade complexity and readiness.
- Identify upgrade options and alternatives.
- Determine your business priorities and the most appropriate upgrade path for your organization.
- Deliver a high-level estimate to determine the investment needed to support your upgrade initiative.

Activities and deliverables

The IBM Cognos Business Intelligence V10.x Upgrade Assessment Service encompasses both planning and initiation.

In order to establish a clear scope of activities specific to your needs, this service begins by discussing with key business and IT stakeholders the compelling reasons for upgrading to Cognos Business Intelligence V10.1 or higher. This service is a 1 - 2 day working session for understanding

your current IBM Cognos Business Intelligence footprints, complexities, and your business priorities. IBM specialists use questionnaires to understand and review the following areas:

- Your upgrade goals and business requirements
- An overview of your Cognos Business Intelligence applications
- IBM Cognos products deployed and in scope for your upgrade
- Customizations and integration
- Users, distribution, and usage
- Number of environments, performance, and stability
- Organizational and technical readiness
- Considerations such as security and multitenancy usage

The working session includes your key subject matter specialists and upgrade sponsors, who review and discuss the inputs provided in the questionnaires. During this session, IBM specialists share proven practices and respond to any questions you might have.

At the conclusion of the service, IBM will provide you with a high-level *Upgrade Assessment Summary* that includes a level of effort estimate to begin your upgrade planning.

Engage today

This service is best used when you are considering an upgrade from Cognos Business Intelligence V8.4.1 to IBM Cognos Business Intelligence V10.1 or higher. For the fixed-fee service, some limitations apply. Details are available from your IBM Business Analytics Software Services sales representative, or contact c10upsrv@us.ibm.com.

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