

Charting Growth: Navigating to Dynamics 365 Finance and Supply Chain from GP/BC

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Dynamics GPA Brief History

1980s

Origination of Great Plains software

2001-today

Microsoft has made continuous enhancements to Dynamics GP, making it a top choice in financial and business management for small and mid-sized organizations across a variety of industries.

2028

Dynamics GP will reach its "end-of-life" on January 11.

2001

Microsoft Acquires Great Planes Software and renamed it Microsoft Dynamics GP

2026

Microsoft will completely cease sales of Dynamics GP in April.





Dynamics 365 Business Central (BC)A Brief History

1983

single-user accounting package with basic functionality, Navision, is developed by three college students in Denmark.

2018

Microsoft rebrands Navision as Microsoft Dynamics 365 (D365) Business Central (BC).

2002

Microsoft acquires Navision, leveraging it for small to mediumsized businesses

2024

Microsoft has positioned D365 BC as a cloud-based alternative to Dynamics GP, focused on small to midsized businesses.





Comparison: D365 BC vs. F&SC

D365 Business Central	D365 F&SC Medium to large enterprises	
Small to medium companies		
1 to 250	20 to 2000+	
Medium High		
Medium	High	
Designed for single country operations	Designed for multi-national operations	
Basic compliance & reporting	Advanced compliance, reporting, and analytics features. Suitable with stringent regulatory requirements and country-specific needs.	
Supports discrete manufacturing with the premium offering		
Typically, 3rd party solution	Built-in advanced WMS, TMS and retail functionality	
Typical implementation costs are about half of F&SC. 3-6-month timeframe.	Higher implementation costs. 6-12-month timeframe.	
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Business Advantages of Moving to D365 F&SC

- Broader capabilities and reduced dependency on multiple ISVs.
- Streamlined integration of diverse code bases through enhanced architecture.
- Comprehensive multilanguage, currency, and regulatory features for global markets.
- Consolidated legal entities within a single database for efficient intercompany transactions.
- Enhanced scalability, flexibility, and reduced capital costs with a fully cloud-based solution.





D365 F&SC - Major Areas

- Finance
- Supply Chain Management
- Commerce
- Human Resources
- Project Operations





D365 F&SC Key Features

Finance	Supply Chain Management	Commerce	Human Resources	Project Operations
Advanced financial management	End-to-end visibility	Unified commerce platform	Talent management	Management and planning
Budgeting and forecasting	Advanced inventory management	Omnichannel capabilities	Employee self service	Resource management
Global compliance and regulatory reporting	Warehouse management	Personalized customer experiences	Compliance and reporting	Financial management
Real time analytics and reporting	Supply chain planning	Inventory and order management	Workforce planning and analytics	Collaboration and communication





Dynamics 365 Project Types Supported

- Time and material
- Fixed-price
- Investment
- Cost project
- Internal
- Time project





What Happens To My Data When I Migrate?

- Mapping
- Import/Export
- Transformation and Cleansing
- Testing and Validation
- Data Management Strategy
- Source Diversity
- Master Data Management
- Golden Configuration Environment
- Configuration Plan





