

Better estimates by every measure



Benefits

- Slash takeoff time by 50% or more compared to manual or generic spreadsheet methods.
- Eliminate generic spreadsheet liabilities associated with hidden cells and broken formulas.
- Generate professional, winning proposals in seconds.
- Fine tune estimates by analyzing numbers from a variety of angles, including viewing the cost impact of alternate options.
- Respond faster to numerous design-build cost considerations and plan changes.
- Share data between estimating, accounting, and job costing with no data re-entry or associated errors.

Put your best estimate forward

To win more work and ensure every project's profitability, you have to build estimates with more speed and precision than ever before. Let SQL-based Sage Estimating do the heavy lifting for you. With features like 2D and 3D electronic takeoff, efficient smart assemblies, alternate cost options, and built-in analysis tools, you'll build more estimates with quicker precision.

Speed up accurate takeoff

Want to spend less time on takeoff? Sage Estimating integrates with the most popular digital takeoff software to create one streamlined estimating process. You can take

off quantities directly from 2D electronic plans, even 3D models, with greater accuracy and in less time than using a digitizer or manual methods.

- Prevent omissions with an on-screen plan view of what you have already sent to the estimate.
- Take off all the quantities of a wall or other building component in just one step using smart assemblies.
- Electronically count multiples of the same item across a set of drawings.
- Easily combine 2D and 3D takeoff in one estimate.
- Automatically update the estimate whenever changes are made to the 2D drawing or 3D model.

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Stop errors

A lot can happen with an estimate: A missed item; faulty recalculation; transposed numbers; or formulas deleted by accident. Sage Estimating safeguards against these and other costly mistakes by reducing error-prone manual entry and calculations. All formulas are stored safely in a separate database that you use to populate the estimating worksheet. And, as an added precaution, you can easily scan for and spot any holes in your estimates before submitting your final numbers.

Analyze and refine

With less time spent on tedious tasks and fewer worries about errors, you can concentrate on what matters most—getting your estimate just right. Whether you're submitting a hard bid or working through numerous plan changes on a design-build project, Sage Estimating gives you the analytical tools to respond quickly and confidently.

Take, for instance, alternate options. Do you want to look at a new building method? Are there different materials you'd like to consider? With Sage Estimating, you can easily build alternates into your estimate. Then, just sort by alternate to get a complete picture of how it impacts the total estimate. It's easy to view and present different options to decide what to include or exclude from the final approved project scope.

Plus, you can analyze your estimate from many angles—including by CSI category, takeoff order, location, or your own customized work breakdown structure (WBS).

Remove data sharing barriers

Got estimate data that you manage in Microsoft Excel? Sage Estimating's enhanced Excel integration lets you quickly import or export data between the two systems.

Build a list of alternate options in Excel using items and prices from Sage Estimating. Or tap into shared WBS libraries stored in Excel to prefill information in multiple Sage estimates. It's that easy.

Hand off budgets

Sage Estimating also works in tandem with job cost and accounting in Sage 100 Contractor and Sage 300 Construction and Real Estate software. Once an estimate is final, the appropriate data automatically moves from estimating to accounting and job cost. No data loss. No redundant entry. As a result, it's easier to share project details with your entire team. And you have access to estimate-versus-actual costs to improve future estimates.

Get up and running quickly

The software comes with sample databases. Or you can choose from a library of optional, more comprehensive, industry-specific databases to get you started right away. Easily customize the database to take on your company's estimating procedures and policies by adding your own items and assemblies, unique formulas, productivity, and conversions. All this helps assure your estimates are consistently accurate, company-wide.

Take advantage of leading database technology

Sage Estimating's SQL database structure gives you an easier, more secure way to manage your data. With Sage Estimating, you get nothing but the highest level of speed and performance.

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