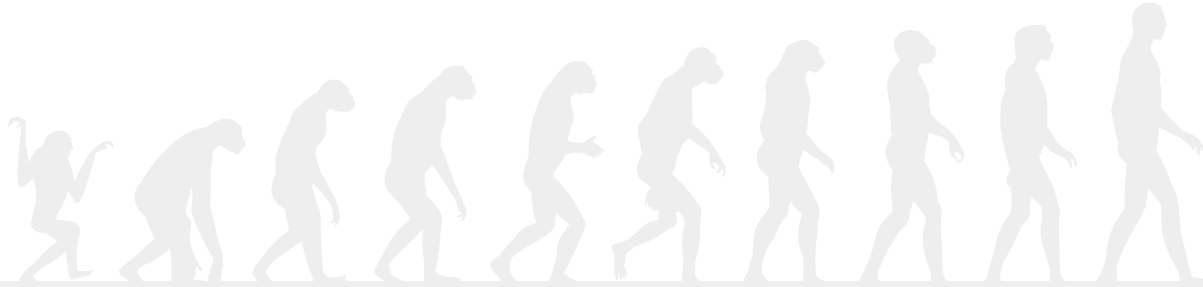


# THE EVOLUTION OF ERP



Along with technology, ERP is constantly evolving to meet the ever-changing needs of the business market. See the journey of ERP through the decades.

## 1980

### CHARACTER BASED ERP



The first step in ERP. Like most first iterations, it had its problems but it was a major step in the right direction for business organizations.

- First of its kind
- Expensive custom development
- Clunky user interface
- Limited features and functionality

Time to Process Expense Report: 10 days

## 1990

### CLIENT/SERVER ERP



Client/server technology allowed multiple locations of a business to link up their ERP through the use of the Internet.

- Link multiple business locations
- Chained to desktop
- Hard to collaborate with partners & customers
- Expensive to maintain
- Difficult to upgrade

Time to Process Expense Report: 27 hours

## 2000

### WEB-BASED ERP



Web-based ERP was a step away from the confines of installation, allowing users to access their ERP from any computer with an Internet connection.

- Access from any computer with Internet
- Difficult to customize
- Vendor lock-in & price increases
- Security Issues
- Lack of integration with on-premises systems

Time to Process Expense Report: 9 hours

## 2010

### CLOUD ERP



The latest and greatest in ERP. Cloud ERP is designed to address many specific issues medium-sized businesses are endeavoring to deal with as they struggle to use systems that are too outdated for their current and future business needs.



Access software on any device, at any location



Lower implementation and maintenance costs



Greater customization with tailored deployment



Provides application scalability



Bank level security and privacy



Time to Process Expense Report: 70 minutes