Scale Beyond QuickBooks with Connected Financial, Project, and Field Operations

QuickBooks Desktop vs. Acumatica

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The Cloud ERP

Reduce Risk and Costly Surprises

Gain earlier visibility and control to prevent issues from escalating.

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Connected Field-to-Office Operations	You manage financial information in QuickBooks, while field reporting, project updates, and collaboration may rely on separate applications and manual communication. Mobile access and notifications vary by QuickBooks product, and construction-specific field workflows often require additional tools.	**Connect field and office teams in real time.** Capture time, costs, documents, work orders, photos, and project updates from anywhere, with information flowing directly to finance and project teams. Connected workflows and alerts reduce missed handoffs, duplicate entry, and costly delays.
Earlier Job Cost and Forecast Visibility	You track job costs in the system, but current WIP, cost-to-complete, and projected final cost may require spreadsheets, custom reports, or manual reconciliation.	**Bring job costs and forecasts together as work happens.** Labor, materials, equipment, subcontractor costs, commitments, and change orders are reflected against budget, giving teams current WIP and cost projections to spot risk sooner and protect margins.
Stronger Project and Supply Chain Control	You may use separate tools and manual processes to coordinate project documents, RFIs, submittals, subcontractors, purchase orders, inventory, and material availability.	**Bring project, subcontractor, purchasing, and material information into connected workflows.** Teams can reduce missed handoffs, identify shortages and cost changes sooner, and keep schedules and budgets aligned.
Accurate Billing and Better Cash Flow	You can manage invoicing and core accounting, but AIA billing, retainage, lien waivers, certified payroll, and compliance tracking may require add-ons or manual coordination.	**Connect project costs, contracts, progress, approvals, and compliance directly to billing.** This helps invoices go out accurately and on time, protects cash flow, and keeps complete records ready for audits and reviews.

Increase Productivity Across the Business

Reduce manual work so teams can focus on higher-value priorities.

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Less Manual Field-to-Office Work	You may collect field time, expenses, documents, photos, and project updates through separate applications, email, or spreadsheets, creating follow-up and repeated data entry.	**Replace repeated field-to-office data entry with connected workflows.** Field teams enter information once from any location, with updates flowing directly to project, job cost, billing, payroll, and financial processes so office teams stay current.
Faster Timesheet and Payroll Processing	You may rely on separate tools, manual calculations, and repeated verification before labor time reaches payroll, job costing, and compliance reporting.	**Connect mobile time and expense entry directly to payroll, job costing, and compliance.** This reduces manual calculations and corrections, speeds processing, and gives teams more current labor and project cost information.
Faster Approvals and Earlier Action	You may route time, expenses, purchase orders, change orders, and invoices through email or separate workflows, making follow-up time-consuming and exceptions harder to catch early.	**Automate approvals, notifications, and exception alerts.** Role-based workflows and complete audit trails shorten approval cycles and help teams act before cost, budget, or compliance exposure grows.
Faster Reporting and Close	You run financial and job reports in QuickBooks and may export data to spreadsheets to prepare WIP, forecasts, consolidated views, or month-end analysis.	**Bring financial and project performance into one connected view.** Current dashboards, WIP, forecasts, margins, and cash flow reduce spreadsheet-based reporting, while AI Insights surface trends, anomalies, and exceptions so teams can act sooner and close faster.

Scale with Greater Control

Support more projects and complexity without adding the same level of overhead.

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AI-Enabled Workflows That Scale With You	QuickBooks Desktop lacks AI-powered capabilities designed to automate routine work and surface insights within everyday workflows, leaving teams more reliant on manual processes and making it harder to scale efficiently as the business grows.	**Bring AI and intelligent automation into the workflows teams already use.** Acumatica continues to expand AI across financial, project, field, and operational processes to surface risks, automate routine work, and support faster decisions as the business grows.
Consolidated Multi-Entity Visibility	As companies, branches, or business units grow, you may maintain separate QuickBooks files and combine results manually for intercompany activity and consolidated reporting.	**Manage multiple entities in one connected environment.** Automated intercompany transactions and consolidated financial and project reporting provide visibility across companies, branches, departments, and locations.
Broader Access Without Losing Control	As more employees need information, limited access and separate processes can create bottlenecks, while finance remains responsible for distributing reports and validating data.	**Give more employees direct access without sacrificing financial oversight.** Unlimited users can access the information and workflows relevant to their roles, supported by permissions, standardized processes, and configurable controls.
Growth Without More System Silos	As project volume, users, and complexity increase, growth may require more spreadsheets, add-ons, or separate applications to handle new processes.	**Scale projects, entities, locations, and business models on one cloud platform.** Connect existing construction applications and add new capabilities without fragmenting data or rebuilding core processes.

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Acumatica Cloud ERP is a comprehensive business management solution that was born in the cloud and built for more connected, collaborative ways of working. Designed explicitly to enable small and mid-market companies to thrive in today's digital economy, Acumatica's flexible solution, customer-friendly business practices, and industry-specific functionality help growing businesses adapt to fast-moving markets and take control of their future.

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