

Summary of Features

User-Defined Tables Link to Projects

- Project Document/Report Repository
- Drag and Drop File Sharing

Structures and Codes

- Structures with Unlimited Levels
- Statement of Work
- Unlimited Children Per Parent
- Attach Structures and Codes to Accounts, Work Packages and Resources

Rates

- Unlimited Rates and Resources
- Escalated or Reduce Rates Anywhere
- Rates Can Represent Anything Calculated: Labor, Burdens, Currency Conversions

Resources

- Unlimited Line Items to Track Labor, Overhead and Material
- Each Calculation Line Can Have A Unique Rate: Add, Subtract, Multiply or Divide
- Unlimited User-Defined Resources

Budgets

- Unlimited Structures and Codes For Account Work Packages and Resources
- Automatic Replanning
- User-Defined Display of Actual Cost, Budget and Forecast Data
- Import Actuals from Existing Accounting System

Forecasts

- Unlimited Forecasts
- Common Performance Factors Like CPI Supported
- Independently Forecast Rate Files
- Edit Frozen or Respread Manual Forecasts

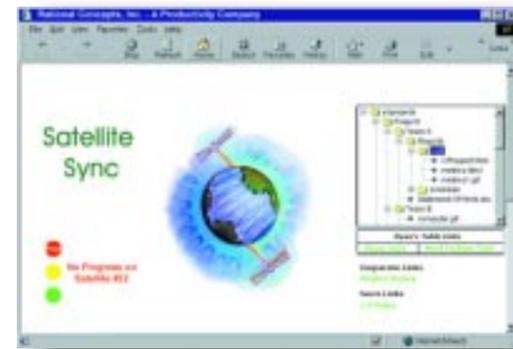
Reporting

- Drill-Down Interface
- Integrated with Microsoft Office
- User-Defined Filters and Condition-Driven Reports
- Automated Reports in Virtual Notebooks
- Automated E-mail For Action Items

Schedule Integration

- Integrated Reports
- Integrated Resources and Plans From Schedule
- Integrated Statusing
- Integrated Analysis

Project Web Center



Rational Concepts, Inc. is based in San Diego and serves the project management community with software and consulting services. Companies choose RC when they face mission-critical projects and need the very best that technology can provide.

RC's products are all Web-centered, platform independent and focused on solving a project manager's most demanding tasks. Products include:

- Proj-Net Tools integrate all of the information about a project (costs, schedules, risks and action items) into a web-based, project office. *Note: All of Proj-Net's modules can be integrated into I-Cost to deliver global information and executive reporting capabilities via a digital dashboard.*
- Proposal-Net, the fastest, most comprehensive and effective way to prepare complex proposals.
- I-Schedule, a Java-based project scheduler, is being released in the first quarter of 2001. With this new software, companies will finally be able to plan and track schedules and resources in a Web environment.

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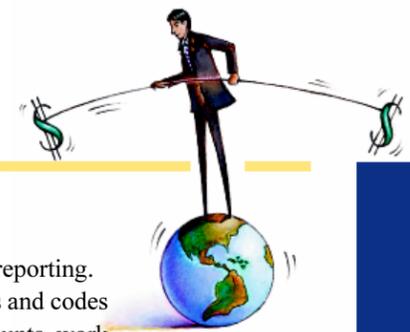
Projects Under Control?



I-Cost Performance Management Software



Take Charge of the Projects



Cost Solutions For Project Management

I-Cost is a pricing, budgeting and earned value tool focused on cost solutions for project management. It supports the ANSI EVMS standard. With I-Cost, in-depth insight into project costs means you can readily meet the DOD EVMS Guidelines. Platform-independent, I-Cost is Java-based and built to take maximum advantage of Internet technology. Feature for feature, I-Cost is the most powerful project cost management tool on the market. It was developed by earned value experts who fully understand government information and reporting requirements.

I-Cost Delivers Top-Level Benefits

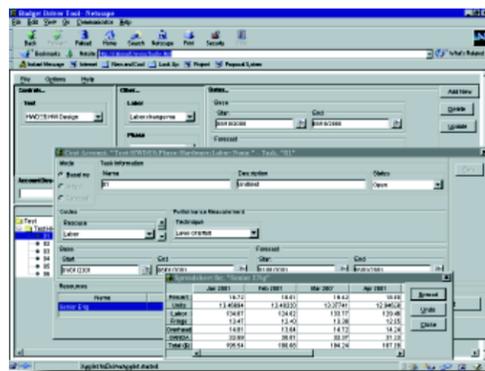
Managing costs is the most fundamental factor to ensuring that projects produce profits. I-Cost combines the power of the web with unparalleled cost management that maximizes your opportunity to implement projects within budget. It helps direct the entire spectrum of project cost management – from proposal preparation through project execution. At a strategic level, I-Cost can also be used for division budgeting and forecasting.

Harness the Power of the Web

With I-Cost, all of the information relating to a project's costs and activities is available anytime, anywhere. Virtual notebooks provide managers with easy access to their customized reports. User-defined Web sites invite project collaboration through project links to processes, drag-and-drop document sharing and user-defined tables.

Cost And Schedule Integration

I-Cost reduces data entry by driving budgets and/or proposals through a resource-loaded schedule. Automatic status information from any scheduling system greatly simplifies the month end process. Integrated reporting provides insight into schedule variances and critical paths.

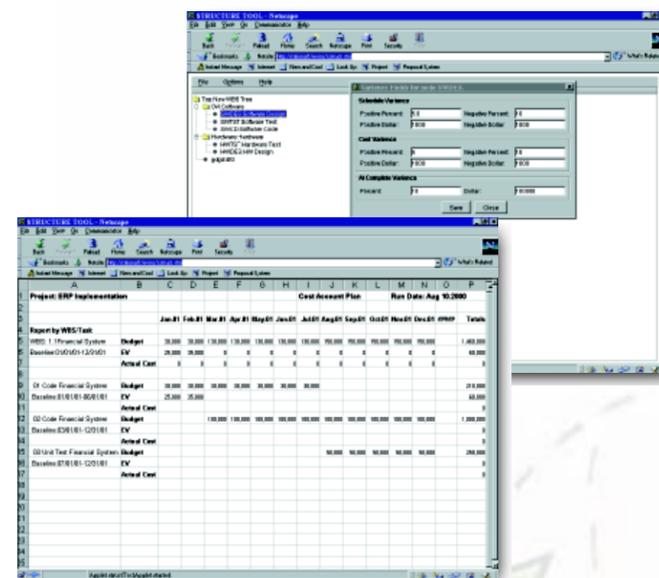


Unlimited Scenario Planning and Global Utilities

With I-Cost, you can conduct unlimited "what-if" scenarios with different rates using multiple budgets. There is no limit to the number of forecasts that can be entered and tracked. I-Cost's global utilities provide the ability to use top-down planning to factor budgets and forecasts. You can do global recalculation for rate adjustments and the program has easy-to-use, automatic replanning features. Schedules can be changed and the impact of those changes are calculated automatically.

Cutting-Edge Technology

Because I-Cost is written in Java, it can run on any platform. Its performance is maximized through the use of applets and servlets. Oracle serves as the back-end database which completes I-Cost's portability. The client can be run on any platform that supports Netscape 4.0 and/or Internet Explorer 4.0 and above.



Efficient Budget and Price Analysis

Budgets can be viewed and manipulated in a spreadsheet-like environment. Forecasts, actual cost and budgets are all available in the same window, making data entry efficient and easy. Any line item can be edited anywhere in the spreadsheet and, based upon the change, the entire worksheet recalculates. When you plan in dollars, I-Cost automatically recalculates the resulting labor or vice versa. Time-phasing can be calculated over any user-defined interval.

Earned Value Calculations

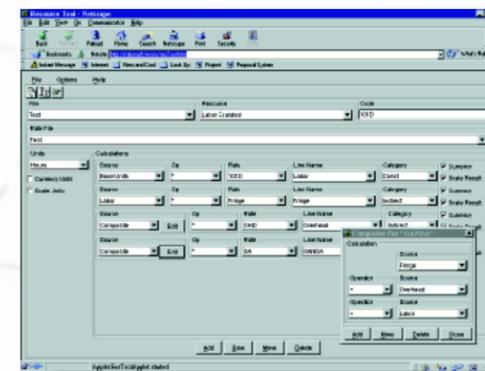
I-Cost supports all common performance-measuring techniques. This includes apportioned effort, LOE, percent complete, start/stop milestones (50/50, 20/80, etc.) and weighted milestones. Apportioned effort can be linked to an unlimited number of additional tasks to derive completion percentages.

Unlimited Categories of Actual Costs

I-Cost allows you to have unlimited types of actual cost: committed, accrued and expended. Actual costs can easily be imported into I-Cost from an accounting system or they can be entered directly into the program.

The Most Powerful Forecasting

I-Cost contains the most powerful forecasting module in the industry. Users can define an unlimited number of forecasts – manual or calculated – each with a different rate set. Manual forecasts can be held constant or respread. Calculated forecasts support all common formulas for efficiency projections (CPI, SPI, etc.).



Flexible Resource Calculations

I-Cost's resource calculations are powerful and flexible. Each resource can be associated with an unlimited number of calculation lines. With this feature, a company's burden structure can be emulated without independently creating composite rates. Other options like currency conversion and fees are easily supported. Each line item in a calculation can be added, subtracted, multiplied or divided by a separate rate. Additionally, any budgeted line item can be changed and every other line is automatically recalculated.

Unlimited Structures and Codes Aid Analysis

With I-Cost, an unlimited number of structures (WBS or OBS) and codes can be used to examine and analyze the data. Every element in the structures can be associated with variance

thresholds which eases exception reporting. An unlimited number of structures and codes can be attached to the control accounts, work packages and/or resources.



Flexible, User-Friendly Reporting

Every element of information about a project can be easily stored and shared at the project's Web center. Simply drag the file – spreadsheet, text doc, graphic, etc. – to the web center and drop it. Report results and report definitions can be distributed to any and all project participants. The project Web site becomes the center of all information - current and historical. What a concept! All of the information in one place.

Access any Level of Information

With I-Cost's drill-down interface, you can select any level from any structure and create drill-down reports to immediately access the information you need. Users can select any time phasing necessary to define the desired reporting period. The report is output to a spreadsheet object and can be saved in HTML or Excel file formats. Report selections can be defined, saved and then run by the click of a mouse.

Virtual Notebooks Keep Managers Informed

Virtual notebooks contain customized reports. Information can be designed and, at defined intervals, be automatically refreshed and placed at the project Web center. When new threshold reports are available, they can be automatically e-mailed to managers. This brings important, variance reports to managers' immediate attention.

Integrated Action Item Module

Additional project management tools like an Action Item system can be integrated into and used with I-Cost. The Action Item module has automated e-mail features that keep everyone in a project apprised of the status of action items. This helps keep corrective actions on time and within budget.

Unlimited Resources, Unlimited Alternatives, Unlimited Access