

# Sage 100 Newsletter

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## THE ROAD AHEAD FOR SAGE 100

Sage recently hosted a presentation that provides us with a glimpse of what's ahead for Sage 100 in the near and mid-term. Here's a quick peek at what to expect for the rest of 2020 and beyond.

### New in the Sage 100 Ecosystem

A couple of new add-on solutions are expected in the Sage 100 ecosystem including:

Sage Enterprise Intelligence - a powerful, web-based business intelligence (BI) reporting tool that converts massive amounts of data from across your entire Sage 100 system (not just your financial modules) into meaningful insight and powerful real-time reports. Refer to the full length article in this newsletter for a more detailed look at Sage Enterprise Intelligence (expected in July 2020).

**Credit Hound** - an accounts receivable collections management suite that helps reduce late payments and collect overdue invoices. Robust features include automated payment reminders, overdue customer reports, dispute management and more (expected in Summer 2020).

# **New Features and Product Updates**

Here are some of the new or enhanced features that are expected for release later this year.

**Sage 100 Payroll** – a collection of updates and worksheets related to COVID-19 and tracking for Emergency Family and Medical Leave Expansion Act.

**Partner-Requested Updates** – a collection of enhancements requested by Sage Authorized Partners/Resellers including a new payments tab for **Invoice History Inquiry** (similar to the existing payments tab in Accounts Payable), a 'Net Balance' button for **A/P Invoice Data Entry**, and various **Visual Integrator** improvements.

**Lot/Serial Traceability** – continued "phase 2" enhancement of lot and serial number traceability that began in a previous release.

**Sage Production Management** – continued enhancements with emphasis on simplifying workflow and options related to creating work tickets from sales orders.

**User Experience** - various updates in response to user feedback including moving support chat to the main menu and better visibility and access to training resources and upcoming events.

It's worth pointing out that many of the new features mentioned are exclusive to the Sage 100cloud subscription platform. If you're still running the "classic" Sage 100 product, some of the new features in upcoming releases may not be available to you. Contact us if you're interested in or want to learn more about migrating from Sage 100 Classic to Sage 100cloud.



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# Introducing Sage Enterprise Intelligence

# **SOON AVAILABLE FOR SAGE 100**

Expected in July 2020, Sage Enterprise Intelligence (SEI) will soon be available for Sage 100cloud. Previously available for other Sage accounting products, Sage 100 now joins the lineup of ERP applications that seamlessly integrate with this powerful, enterprise-level BI reporting tool.

### What is SEI?

Sage Enterprise Intelligence (SEI) is an intuitive, web-based reporting tool that helps you make faster, more informed business decisions. It does that by converting massive amounts of data from across your entire Sage 100cloud system (not just your financial modules) into meaningful insight and powerful real-time reports.

Plus, SEI provides data visualization tools such as gauges, charts, and dashboards that help you more easily spot trends, trouble spots, and opportunities.

### Is it Different than Sage Intelligence?

In a nutshell, SEI is a more powerful and robust business intelligence (BI) platform featuring advanced capabilities not available in the current Sage Intelligence reporting tool.

If you've been using Sage 100 for a while, you probably recall that Sage Intelligence was chosen as a replacement for the retired FRx financial reporter. While Sage Intelligence goes far beyond what FRx was capable of, it still has roots in core financial reporting functions.

Sage Enterprise Intelligence, on the other hand, can help you get a clear picture of your whole business and develop collaboration across departments. Out of the box, it can be used to analyze inventory, sales and customer service, production, purchasing, budget management and more.



### **Easy to Use and Access**

While SEI offers an optional Excel add-on, the product is natively web-based. For those less comfortable with Excel spreadsheets and formulas, you'll find that the drag-and-drop interface of Sage Enterprise Intelligence is easy to use with no special technical skills required. And because it's web-based, SEI can be accessed and shared using a variety of devices including your desktop, tablet, or mobile device.

### Some key features of SEI include:

- Real-time data updates, fully integrated with Sage 100 (beyond GL/financial integration)
- Drill-down and drill-up to see transaction details
- Fast processing of large data volumes
- Ready-to-use KPIs and reporting templates
- Web-based interface with mobile capabilities

With Sage Enterprise Intelligence, you'll go beyond the limits of spreadsheets to unlock the true power of your data and transform it into actionable business insight.

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