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ChartReader 8 is the freely distributable, Web-enabled, application that allows you to display, search and print your *Analyst's Notebook* charts.

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What's New in this Release?

ChartReader 8.5.1 Release Highlights

ChartReader 8.5.1 supports the chart modernization features of *Analyst's Notebook* 8.5.1:

- Displaying both legacy icons and the new icons that have been redrawn as high quality images
- Displaying icon frames highlighting key entities for easy visualization
- Displaying pictures on entity representations including theme lines, event frames and icons

Release Contents

The following table summarizes the *ChartReader* 8 releases:

Version	Release Date
<i>ChartReader</i> 8.0.1	June 2009
<i>ChartReader</i> 8.0.5 (SP1)	October 2009
<i>ChartReader</i> 8.5.1	May 2010

Notes for existing ChartReader users

Upgrading ChartReader 7 to version 8

Please note that *ChartReader* 8 replaces an installation of *ChartReader* 7. It is not possible to run version 7 and version 8 simultaneously on the same computer.

Compatibility with previous versions

Analyst's Notebook 6 and 7 charts can be opened in *ChartReader* 8.

Link Notebook 5 charts can be opened in *ChartReader* 8.

Notes for existing Link Notebook 5 users

Link Notebook 5 charts can be opened in *Analyst's Notebook* 8.

Upgrading new icons across i2 products

Installing *ChartReader* 8.5.1 will automatically upgrade the legacy icon set used by other i2 products installed on your machine to the new, redrawn icon set. Once this upgrade has been performed, other i2 products such as *iBase* and *TextChart* will display new icons only. Legacy icons will no longer be supported.

System Requirements

For latest details on system requirements, supported operating systems and any other additional requirements check the i2 Web site: <http://www.i2group.com/products/system-requirements>.

At release these are the supported operating systems for *ChartReader 8*:

Operating System

Desktop Operating Systems

Windows 7 Professional/Enterprise/Ultimate x86 (32-bit) and x64 (64-bit)

Windows Vista Business/Enterprise/Ultimate x86 (32-bit) and x64 (64-bit) SP1 or later

Windows XP Professional x86 (32-bit) SP3 or later and x64 (64-bit) SP2 or later

Server Operating Systems offering thin client environments

Windows Server 2008 R2 x64 (64-bit) with Terminal Services enabled

Windows Server 2008 x86 (32-bit) and x64 (64-bit) with Terminal Services enabled

Windows Server 2003 Standard/Enterprise x86 (32-bit) and x64 (64-bit) SP2 or later with Terminal Services enabled

Windows Server 2003 R2 Standard/Enterprise x86 (32-bit) and x64 (64 bit) SP2 or later with Terminal Services enabled

All server operating systems are also supported with Citrix MetaFrame Presentation/Xen App Server 4.0 or later

ChartReader is supported on Western Europe & USA, Central Europe, Baltic, Cyrillic, Turkic, Arabic, Japanese, Traditional Chinese and Simplified Chinese, regional versions of the supported operating systems.

ChartReader requires that Microsoft .NET Framework 2.0 SP1 or .NET Framework 3.5 is present on the installation system. The version of .NET you require will depend on the operating system you are running. Microsoft .NET Framework 2.0 SP1 is included on the CD. Microsoft .NET Framework 3.5 can be downloaded from the Microsoft Download Center <http://www.microsoft.com/downloads/details.aspx?FamilyId=333325fd-ae52-4e35-b531-508d977d32a6&displaylang=en>.

ChartReader requires that Microsoft Windows Installer 4.5 is present if the installation system is running Windows Vista or Windows Server 2008.

The printed documentation provided with *ChartReader* is also available electronically in Adobe PDF format. In order to display this documentation, a PDF viewer must be present on the installation system.

Hardware Specification

These are the minimum desktop hardware requirements for *ChartReader 8*:

Minimum Requirements

1.4 GHz processor computer

512 MBytes RAM

500 MBytes free disk space for installation, plus space to store chart data (This does not include disk space required for pre-requisites)

XGA capable graphics card (1024 x 768 high color (16 bit)) and color monitor

Mouse or Trackball

USB Port or Parallel Printer Port (for local dongle)

CD-ROM drive or network access (for installation)

For better performance and for running a combination of i2 products a higher specification is recommended:

Recommended Requirements

At least 2 GHz processor computer

At least 2 GB RAM

At least 1 GB free disk space for installation plus space to store chart data (This does not include disk space required for pre-requisites). Total disk space requirements depend on number of i2 products to be installed.

SXGA capable graphics card (1280 x1024 high color (16 bit)) and color monitor

Mouse or Trackball

USB Port or Parallel Printer Port (for local dongle)

CD-ROM drive or network access (for installation)

Authorization Information

ChartReader doesn't require a dongle permit in order to run.

Notes for existing Link Chart Reader users

ChartReader 8 can be installed on the same computer as *Link Chart Reader 5*.

Notes for existing ChartReader 6 users

ChartReader 8 can be installed on the same computer as *ChartReader 6*.

Installation

Before installing *ChartReader* please check that your system meets all the system requirements.

Using Setup.exe

To install *ChartReader*:

1. Close all applications that you might have open.
2. Insert the product CD into your computer's CD drive.

The installation will start automatically. If it does not start automatically, you need to browse to the CD to run `Setup.exe` in the folder *ChartReader 8*.

3. Follow the prompts to complete the installation.

The following shortcut will be installed:

i2 ► ChartReader 8 Start *ChartReader*

Advanced Installation Options

Advanced options for installing this product are described in the i2 Products Packaging and Deployment Guide. This explains how to perform automated and silent installs and use the advanced features provided by the Windows Installer (MSI), and includes details on customizing installed files, details of third party software installed and language specific files.

Known Limitations

Displaying OLE objects

ChartReader requires the presence of OLE server applications on the computer when displaying OLE objects on a chart. For example, *ChartReader* displays pictures (JPGs or BMPs) using whichever application is registered as an OLE server for picture files on the computer.

On many computers Microsoft Photo Editor, which is part of Microsoft Office 2000 and Microsoft Office XP, is used as the OLE server to display pictures in *ChartReader*. However, Microsoft Photo Editor is not a component of Microsoft Office 2003, which means that *ChartReader* may not be able to display pictures on a computer solely with Office 2003. Office 2003 is provided with Microsoft Office Picture Manager which is unable to act as an OLE server.

There are various solutions to this problem.

- Install Office 2000 or Office XP instead of Office 2003. Photo Editor should be included as part of the Office install.
- Install Photo Editor from the Office 2000 or Office XP CD. Microsoft provide guidelines for how to do this from their Web site:
<http://support.microsoft.com/?kbid=817095>

If Photo Editor is still on the computer then using the File Types dialog in Office Picture Manager to disassociate Office Picture Manager from pictures may restore Photo Editor as the OLE server for pictures.

- Install a different application that is able to act as an OLE server for pictures. For example JASC Paint Shop Pro can act as an OLE server for pictures.

Printing

The *ChartReader 8* icon set incorporates transparency so that icons may be used on areas of the chart where the background is not white, for example in filled event frames or on top of background items. The printing of these icons is complex and on some older computer and printer combinations there may be problems. In particular, the icons may print incorrectly or printing may be very slow. To overcome these difficulties, two printing options are provided, as described below. These options can be found in the Advanced Printer Setup dialog, which is accessed using the Advanced button on either the Printer Setup or Print dialogs.

- Always Simulate Transparent Icons

This option uses an alternative, simpler means of printing transparent icons. Try this option if the icons do not appear correctly. Printing will be slower using this option.

- Use Basic Icon Drawing

This option uses a very basic means of printing icons. Try this option if the icons do not appear correctly or if printing is too slow. Printing will not include any transparency using this option and therefore icons will always have a white square surround.

Chart background color is always printed (#36227)

Reported 8.5.1

The chart background color is included on printed charts even if you turn off the Chart check box in the Borders page of the Page Setup dialog. **Error when ChartReader is embedded in more than one tabbed Internet Explorer 7 Web page. (# 29362)**

Reported: 6.0.55

If more than one Web page containing the embedded *ChartReader* is loaded in a tabbed Internet Explorer 7, an error occurs when one of the tabs is closed.

Window size is not retained on exit (# 28297)

Reported: 7.0.0

The size and position of the *ChartReader* window is not retained when the application is closed.

ChartReader does not start on Windows XP x64 (64-bit) (# 34938)

Reported 8.0.1

ChartReader installs, but does not start, on Windows XP x64 (64-bit).

Limitations Specific to Microsoft Windows Vista, Windows 7 and Windows Server 2008

Known issues with *ChartReader* operating on certain Windows operating systems are as follows:

Some third party components are not fully supported on Windows Vista, Windows 7 or Windows Server 2008 (#31000)

Not all of the third party components that are installed and used by *ChartReader* are claimed to be supported on Vista by their suppliers. As they become available i2 will include supported versions of third party applications in future releases. Unless stated in the known issues below the third party components have not shown to cause issues.

What's This? Help is not natively supported in Windows Vista, Windows 7 or Windows Server 2008 (#30396)

Reported: 7.0.0

ChartReader uses Windows Help (*winHlp32.exe*) to deliver What's This? Help functionality. Microsoft is not shipping Windows Help with Vista. You can download compatible versions of Windows Help from Microsoft Knowledge Base <http://support.microsoft.com/kb/917607>.

OLE representation of a hyperlink as a picture is not displaying correctly on Windows Vista, Windows 7 or Windows Server 2008 (#29882)

Reported: 7.0.0

When inserting a hyperlink as an OLE object the entity should display as an Internet Explorer symbol. However in *ChartReader* on Microsoft Vista it displays as a different symbol. The chart item name is suffixed with (Command Line). The entity also exhibit unusual display behavior when zooming.

Document Properties do not work on Windows Vista, Windows 7 or Windows Server 2008 (#30361)

Reported: 7.0.0

Some entries in the summary information are not visible on Windows Vista. The 'Description' and 'Origin' sections are not visible through Explorer.

Contacting i2

Technical support is available to anyone whose organization has opted for our annual support program. If you have a question and cannot find a solution in the online help, you can send an e-mail to the i2 Technical Support team.

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