

QUICKBOOKS PRODUCT COMPARISON CHART

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QB Module/Feature (2012 shaded blue)	Pro	Premier	Enterprise	Premier/ES Accountant	Bookkeeper (QBPB)	MAC	QBO Essentials	QBO Plus	QBOA	Notes to Consider
										QBOA inherits features of client QBO level plus has additional accountant tools
Accept Credit Card payments from customers	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	n/a	Additional fees apply, free for ProAdvisors
Accountant Center				Premier AE	x				x	Customize and access accountant tools from one view. QBPB has a Bookkeeping Center
Accountant's Copy (Send to Accountant)	x	x	x	x	x		n/a	n/a	n/a	Ability to create a file (QBX) to send to accountant
Accountant's Copy Conversion				x	x		n/a	n/a	n/a	Convert QBX to QBA, or QBA to QBV and send changes back to client's QBW
Activity Log--Not only track txn changes but when users log in/out							x	x		
Adjusted Trial Balance Report			x	x					x	7 column report detailing unadjusted/adjusted TB
Anywhere, Anytime Access										QBO is built for this. QB desktop would require terminal server, citrix, linux, etc
Audit trail tracks changes to transactions	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	Audit Trail in QB desktop, Activity Log in QBO
Audit trail tracks lists changes	X	X	X	x	x		x	x	x	Need CDR to track changes to lists in QB desktop. Non-accountant editions, signed in as EA, can access CDR
Audit trail tracks when users log in and out							x	x	x	No way in QB desktop
Auto Deliver Reports							x	x	x	Set reports or report groups to auto-send
Auto Sales Price Markup			x	ESAE						Markup items automatically when costs change
Automatic offsite backups	x	x	Free with FSP	x	x		x	x	x	Requires IDP subscription for QB desktop, ES free with FSP
Automatic upgrades							x	x	x	QBO requires no installations or maintenance releases
Average cost inventory valuation method	x	x	x	x	x	x				
Balance Sheet by Class		x	x	x	x					
Bank Reconciliation	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
Bank Reconciliation -- List of Previous Monthly Reconciles		x	x	x	x					
Bank Reconciliation--Undo previous	x	x	x	x	x					
Batch Invoicing	x	x	x	x	x					Create the same invoice for multiple customers at once
Batch invoicing for Time and Expense		x	x	x	x					Create different invoices for multiple customers at once
Batched Timesheet Entry	x	x	x	x	x					Create timesheet for multiple employees/vendors
Billing Rate Level		Contractor Professional	Contractor Professional	x	x					Allows user to create and assign different billable rates to their employees/subcontractors for service performed
Budgets	x	x	x	x	x	x		x		
Business Planner, Forecasting, Balance Sheet by Class (Premier and ES)		x	x	x	x					
Calendar View	x	x	x	x	x					Track appts, current and overdue transactions, To Do's
Change Orders on Estimates		Contractor	Contractor	x						Track changes to your job estimates/contracts
Class Tracking	x	x	x	x	x	x		x		Track most business activity by department, etc
Client Data Review	x	x	x	Full Version	x				x	QB 2009-2012, Accessible in non-accountant QB when signed in as External Accountant user. QBOA offers Batch Reclassify and Write-Off Invoices
Collections Center	x	x	x	x	x					Track overdue and almost due invoices
Company Scorecard							x	x		QBO has a Trend Tracker as well
Company Snapshot	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x		
Comparative Balance Sheet and P&L	x	x	x	x	x	x			x	
Condense Data file	x	x	x	x	x	x				
Condense Data--Period Copy				x						Create a file for a specific period of data
Condense Data--Summary Journal Entry			x	x						Condense now allows for one summary entry
Condense Data--No Summary Entry			x	x						
Create Estimates	x	x	x	x	x	x		x		
Current Availability		x	x	x	x					Tracking what is available to promise to a customer, not just QOH
Current Availability Window		Retail, M&W	x	x						Window details what is on SO, PO or Assembly per item, QOH and what is currently available to sell
Custom Fields										Desktop QB custom fields for items and names, QBO allows 3 fields on forms. Pro/Premier is 5 for items, 15 for names, ES is 15 for item, 30 for names
Customer Snapshot	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x		
Delayed Charges/Billing	x	x	x	x	x		x	x		QBO feature--Enter charges to be billed later

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Document Center	x	x	x	x	x					Doc Center for local storage in QB desktop free. Attached Docs still requires subscription to store online, not included for PAP anymore
Easy Saver--buy supplies for business online/shop and compare	x	x	x	x	x					Web-based purchasing center
Enhanced Item Receiving			x	ESAE						Bill and Item receipt are separate/unlinked transactions
Express Setup of QB Company file	x	x	x	x	x		x	x		
FIFO Inventory Valuation			Advanced Inventory	ESAE with AI				x		ES 12 AI. Inventory Cost First In, First Out method
File Manager/Client File Dashboard				x	x				x	
Find and Select Items			x	ESAE						Quickly find and select items on transaction, add multiple at once
Go from Estimate to a PO or SO		x	x	x	x					Very important to contractors
Improved Excel Reporting	x	x	x	x	x					Export report to existing excel spreadsheet
Income List/Transaction Center						x	x	x		
Industry specific reporting		x	x	x						QBA and ESA have all edition reports
Integrated Help	x	x	x	x	x	x				QB 2011 Plus too: Help, KB and Community articles
Inventory Assembly/Bill of Materials		x	x	x	x					Manufacture finished good from component parts
Inventory Assembly--Edit Build/Variable Builds			x	ESAE						To edit build in Premier, must edit the actual assembly item. Time consuming, not ideal like ES
Inventory Center		x	x	x	x					ES supports item picture
Invoice Automation							x	x		Automatically create invoice from unbilled activity
Job Costing Module and Reports	x	x	x	x	x	x		x		QBO Plus does not offer a lot of "job" reports. No Estimate v Actual
Journal Entries: Adjusting			x	x					x	Mark a JE as an adjusting entry
Journal Entries: List of Previous Entries			x	x						
Journal Entries: Debit and Credit Totals			x	x	x		x	x	x	
Journal Entries: Reversing		x	x	x	x					
Journal Entries: More than on AR/AP per...							x	x		
Lead Center	x	x	x	x	x					
Location Tracking								x	x	A secondary level of class tracking
Manage Fixed Assets			x	x						Track your fixed assets and post depreciation to QB
Mileage Tracking	x	x	x	x	x	x				Enter vehicle mileage and assign to customer/job
Multi-currency	x	x	x	x	x					
Multi-Location Access							x	x	x	Desktop QB requires Citrix, Terminal Server or Hosting
Multi-Instance			x	x	x					2 company files open in same program year
Multi-User Access	up to 3	up to 5	up to 30	x	up to 5	up to 5	up to 3	up to 5		QB is a User License, regardless of concurrent use
Multiple Vendor ship to addresses	x	x	x	x	x					
Multiple windows	x	x	x	x	x	x	limited	limited	x	View and flip thru multiple windows in your view
ODBC functionality	x	x	Free	x	x					Open Database Connectivity for SQL queries. Free in ES
One-click Transactions	x	x	x	x	x					Pay bill right from bill, Receive Pmt or Create Credit Memo from invoice. QB 2011 Plus too
Online Banking	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x		
Payroll	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x		Subscription/Fees required. Desktop Payroll: Basic, Enhanced, Assisted, Enhanced Payroll for Accountants. Online Payroll: Intuit Online Payroll Basic/Plus/IOP4A/Full Service Payroll. IOP platform is used for QBO and QB Mac payroll
Prepare and Print 1096	x	x	x	x	x	x				
Prepare and E-File 1099s	x	x	x	x	x	x		x		Additional fees apply. Supported from Jan-April 15
Prepare and Print 1099s	x	x	x	x	x	x		x		QB 2012 improves setup, December
Price Levels	x	x	x	x	x					Pro only has fixed %, Premier and ES per item too, Pro/Premier support 100, ES 12 increased to 750
Progress Invoicing/Billing	x	x	x	x	x	x				Create multiple invoices from a Sales Order or Estimate
Purchase Orders	x	x	x	x	x	x		x		
Purchase Orders--Receive against partially	x	x	x	x	x	x				
QB Search feature	x	x	x	x	x	x				Search company file or online
QuickBooks Statement Writer			x	x						Though ISW's inception was 2009, it is best used in 2011, 2012. Name changed 2012 from ISW to QSW

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Recurring Billing/Memorized Transactions	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x		
Remote Access	x	x	x	x	x					Powered by WebEx, not necessary for QBO
Set and Maintain Reorder Points	x	x	x	x	x	x				
Set Accounting Period									x	Set period all tools/reports in Accountant Center look at, or use CDR in AE and if signed into non-AE as External Accountant user
Shipping Manager	x	x	x	x	x					Ups/FedEx, QB 2012 supports USPS
Sales Orders		x	x	x	x					Non-posting transaction to capture customer/work order
Sales Order Fulfillment Worksheet		Retail, M&W	x	x						Manage your sales orders and print Pick List or Packing Slip
Scan checks with Intuit Check Solution for QB	x	x	x	x	x	x				QB Mac supported 2010 and up, fee required
Serial Number or Lot Tracking			Advanced Inventory	ESAE with AI						Can choose one or the other, not both at once
Shared Report Templates with Intuit community	x	x	x	x	x					Share a custom report with online community
Sort No Company Open Window	x	x	x	x	x					Sort, edit and hide company files on No Company Open window
Starter Copy				x	x					Create company file from another file
Time Tracking and billing by customer	x	x	x	x	x	x		x		Pass thru Time or Expense
Toggle to another edition/version				x						
Transaction History Panel	x	x	x	x	x					Customer and Vendor transactions has panel detailing history/notes and transaction history. QBO shows this detail under Related Activities link at bottom of transaction
Unit of Measure		x	x	x	x					Multiple U/M in Premier Contractor, M&W, AE. Retail has no U/M in Premier or ES
Unlimited Report Readers and Time tracking users			View Only user	View Only user ESAE				x		Set up users that have only Report or Time Entry access
Up to 5 users simultaneous use		x	x	x	x	x		x		
Voided/Deleted Transaction report		x	x	x	x				x	
Working Trial Balance			x	x						Spreadsheet-like UI, shows accounts, beginning balance, transactions, adjustments, ending balance and work paper references
Zoom Into Detail from reports	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x		Dig down to the detail behind the numbers