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Overview

1. What is Oracle Analytics Server (OAS)?

Oracle Analytics Server (OAS) is an on-premises self-service visualization and augmented AI analytics platform. It provides a full range of capabilities including AI that quickly surfaces key insights in your datasets, data enrichment features that automatically recommend new elements for analysis, machine learning capabilities for both traditional and citizen data scientists, stunning data visualizations for your dashboards and pixel perfect reporting.

Built on a proven and modern technological foundation, it supports complex workloads while providing timely insights to users across an enterprise. Organizations can now modernize their analytics platform by providing easy-to-use interfaces for all users who need to access curated data, self-serve by importing or blending data, perform analysis, or distribute reports securely via mobile, tablet, and all modern browsers.

Customers that choose this self-managed on-premises or private cloud deployment can manage upgrades on their schedule and implement customization options such as custom skins/styles, metadata, messaging and more.

2. What are the key features of Oracle Analytics Server?

- Self-service data visualization capabilities
- Augmented analytics with Explain
- Machine Learning
- Data Enrichment capabilities
- Natural Language Query
- Powerful geospatial mapping and visualization
- Pixel perfect enterprise reporting
- Common Enterprise Information Model

3. What are the benefits of OAS for Existing Customers?

OAS enables existing OBIEE customers to modernize their analytics while having the flexibility to move to the cloud (whether public or private) at their own pace. OAS empowers customers to:

- Leverage AI-powered augmented analytics for machine learning assisted data enrichment and analysis
- Experience self-service data visualization and a modern analytics user experience
- Drive innovation; explore and discover new insights by combining structured and unstructured data
- Get faster time to insights with Explain, an AI engine that uses machine learning to show correlations, distributions, and segmentations in data.

4. Where do customers go to access OAS?

Customers who are current on support and maintenance are automatically entitled to OAS and can:

- Download the installation files from [edelivery](#) by searching for “Oracle Analytics Server”
- Follow [these instructions for installation](#).
- [See the documentation](#).

Licensing

5. Can existing Oracle Business Intelligence (OBI) customers upgrade to OAS?

Yes, existing OBIEE customers can upgrade to OAS and benefit from adding augmented analytics and AI-powered data enrichment with both in-place or out-of-place upgrades to their existing environment. Customers who are current on their maintenance and support and using any of the current OBI Suites (OBI Enterprise Edition, OBI Standard Edition One) are entitled to the upgrades with no additional costs.

Customers can check [Destination Guides](#) for the best paths based on their existing analytics topology.

6. What about customers who purchased OBI components not on the current price list?

All OBI Suites not on the current Technology Price List including OBI Enterprise Edition, OBI Enterprise Edition Plus, OBI Foundation Suite and OBI Standard Edition are entitled to use OAS subject to any licensing restrictions.

7. What about customers who purchased individual OBI components?

All customers who purchased OBI Server Enterprise Edition with Oracle Answers and Oracle Interactive Dashboards are entitled to the self-service analytics and mobile functionality of OAS.

8. Can existing customers continue to purchase OBI?

OBI products will be removed from the Tech Price List. OBI Suites will go on Controlled Availability (CA) until a future point to be determined when they will be removed.

9. What if existing OBI customers want to buy more users or processors?

Existing customers of OBI Enterprise Edition Plus, OBI Extended Edition, or OBI Enterprise Edition can buy OAS. Existing customers of OBI Standard Edition One can buy OAS Standard Edition One. Existing customers of OBI Foundation Suite or Foundation Edition can buy OAS and/or Essbase based on their needs.

10. What if customers bought OBI components (not the full product)?

Customers who bought OBI components will be able to upgrade to the same functionality in OAS. For example, customers with Data Visualization can upgrade to OAS and will have the same access, e.g., self-service analytics functionality (not classic reporting in Answers, Dashboards or Delivers). Customers who have BIP can upgrade to OAS and will have access to BIP capabilities only.

11. Can customers upgrade to OAS if they are not current with OBI support?

No, customers who are not active on support need to reach out to their sales representative. They can of course buy new licenses of OAS or a subscription for OAC.

12. Can customers buy OAS if they are not current with OBI support?

Yes! Note that customers who own OBI but are not current on support are effectively new customers when they buy OAS.

13. What do new customers buy?

New customers can of course buy OAS and/or Oracle Analytics Cloud (OAC).

14. Is Essbase part of OAS?

No, Essbase is not included as part of OAS. However OAS does preserve existing Essbase entitlements, enabling existing OBI Foundation Suite customers moving to OAS to keep their entitlements to Essbase licenses. Essbase Plus will remain on the price list and can be purchased separately.

Technical Specifications

15. What Operating Systems are supported?

Linux is currently supported. Windows is planned to be supported in the future.

16. Where can customers deploy OAS?

Customers can deploy OAS on-premises or in a private cloud. As with OBI, customers can manage upgrades on their schedule and implement customization options such as custom skins/styles, metadata, messaging and more.

17. Are there hardware sizing recommendations for OAS?

Existing OBI customers can use their current sizing as guidance for OAS. New customers should review their use case with an Oracle sales engineer and/or partner to determine appropriate sizing.

18. Can customers configure/modify query row limitations?

Yes, customers can configure parameters related to row limits in OAS.

19. Does OAS support high availability?

Yes, with clustering options that are available in OAS. This is the same as OBIEE.

Upgrade

20. What is the prerequisite for upgrading OAS in place?

In-place upgrades will require OBIEE 12.2.1.4 as a starting point.

21. What is the prerequisite for upgrading OAS out of place?

Out-of-place upgrade is supported for OBIEE 11.1.1.9 and OBIEE 12.2.1.x

Certifications and Compatibility

22. How can Exalytics customers install OAS?

Customers can install on Exalytics assuming the underlying OS and version are supported, but there are no plans to certify OAS on Exalytics.

23. What is the plan for Oracle Analytics Desktop?

Oracle Analytics Desktop (OAD, previously known as Data Visualization Desktop or DVD) will be aligned with OAC, for which it provides complementary desktop capabilities. OAD capabilities are included in OAS.

24. Where can I find the OAS Certification Matrix?

You can view the matrix [here](#).