



SAS® MAINFRAME OPTIMISATION SERVICE

■ Key Benefits

- **Optimise Existing Investment:** We will identify opportunities to improve the productivity and efficiency of your SAS mainframe deployment.
- **Generate Flexible Reports Rapidly:** We will address any inflexibility problems with your reporting procedures; by working with you to build interfaces and procedures to rapidly generate and distribute ad-hoc reports and analyses.
- **Review Your Use of MXG:** Where you have lost your MXG expertise, we will review your use of MXG for performance monitoring and capacity planning by building a customised user front-end.
- **Reduce Risk and Control Costs:** SAS experts are familiar with all aspects of SAS technology and how to deliver best value from the SAS on the mainframe. By dealing with our experts, you can be sure that the job will be done properly first time.

The SAS® Mainframe Optimisation Service provides expert recommendations to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of your SAS mainframe deployment. Focusing particularly on optimising your reporting processes and making more of MXG for performance monitoring and capacity planning; we will review your use of SAS on your mainframe and recommend enhancements to improve productivity.

Service description

During a mainframe optimisation project our specialist mainframe SAS consultants will review your current usage and make recommendations for improvement. Particular emphasis is placed on your reporting processes and use of MXG. We will produce a gap analysis report detailing our recommendations for enhancement.

If you wish to proceed with our recommendations, we will address any inflexibility problems with your reporting procedures; by working with you to build interfaces and procedures to rapidly generate ad-hoc reports and analyses. We can also help you to make better use of static web content; and provide an automated process to make your users immediately aware of critical reports.

SAS and MXG have been in the forefront of performance monitoring and capacity planning for over 30 years. Through MXG, customers have been able to develop sophisticated and comprehensive reporting structures.

But all too often that expertise is lost as people move on and are not replaced. We can help you review your existing use of MXG and reporting on MXG sources, and where appropriate offer recommendations for improvement.

Service activities

Over the course of the project, SAS mainframe consultants will:

- Conduct research to determine your current use of SAS on your mainframe
- Work with you to determine any new requirements that will take advantage of the Platform for SAS Business Analytics
- Perform a 'gap analysis' and document our recommendations in an optimisation report
- If you wish us to do so, carry out these recommendations on your behalf
- Amend the optimisation report to detail these actions.



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Service deliverables

Once the project is completed, SAS mainframe consultants will provide you with a Mainframe Optimisation 'gap analysis' report outlining our recommendations for enhancement.

If we proceed to carry out these recommendation on your behalf, we will amend this document to detail works carried out.

Estimated duration

Duration may vary in line with your particular requirements, the number of departments using SAS, the location of client sites, the sophistication of your analytic and IT environments.

Estimated price

Price depends upon various factors: level of effort, required skills or expertise, market demands and business strategy. Contact your SAS Account Manager to determine the estimated price and duration of this service, and for more information about related services. All travel and expenses are additional.

The SAS Advantage

We understand and can apply SAS technology better than anyone else. Our development expertise spans three decades, and our experience with customers around the world is unrivalled. You can rest assured that with every engagement, our methodologies and best practices will deliver tangible results for your organisation.

Now, with the SAS Mainframe Optimisation Service you can benefit from expert recommendations to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of your SAS mainframe deployment.

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