

Fact Sheet

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Expected Ship Date—Apple® Macintosh®/native Power Macintosh/Microsoft® Windows® 3.1/
Windows NT/Windows 95: September 1995

Expected Ship Date—SunOS™/Sun® Solaris®/HP-UX/Silicon Graphics® IRIX®: October 1995

Product Description

Adobe Acrobat 2.1 software, a family of universal electronic publishing tools, allows users to create rich, dynamic electronic documents that can be distributed on the broadest range of electronic media including the World Wide Web, E-mail, Lotus® Notes®, corporate networks, CD-ROM and print-on-demand systems. The Adobe Portable Document Format (PDF), an open-cross platform file format created by Acrobat software, preserves the fidelity of documents across a wide variety of computer platforms, printers and electronic distribution methods. Acrobat 2.1 software offers enhancements to facilitate World Wide Web publishing and integrating multimedia elements into Acrobat files. Adobe Acrobat 2.1 software is available for Windows, Macintosh and UNIX® systems.

Key New Features and Benefits

Expanded Platform support

Acrobat software provides electronic publishers with the ability to reach a wide audience with a broad range of platform support. Acrobat 2.1 software supports Windows 3.1, Windows NT, Windows 95, Macintosh, native Power Macintosh, SunOS 4.1.3 and higher, Sun Solaris 2.3 and 2.4, HP-UX 9.0.3 and above and 10.0 family, and Silicon Graphics IRIX 5.3-5.x.

Weblink: World Wide Web Publishing Tool

Weblink is a plug-in application for Acrobat software that connects PDF files to other documents anywhere on the World Wide Web. Authors can embed a Universal Resource Locator (URL) within a PDF file, allowing viewers to connect to other documents on the Internet. Weblink is available for Macintosh, Windows and UNIX versions of Acrobat 2.1 software.

Movie tool: Authoring Tool for Creating Interactive Documents

Users can now easily incorporate multimedia elements into PDF files with Movie tool, a plug-in application that supports QuickTime™ and AVI video and audio files. In addition, Movie tool allows users to specify the placement and layout of a digital video file and the way it will be displayed. Movie tool is available for Macintosh and Windows versions of Acrobat 2.1 software.

Acrobat Search for CD-ROMs

Adobe now provides CD-ROM publishers Acrobat Reader software with full-text search capability, offering a cost-effective CD-ROM publishing solution. Available on a per title basis, Acrobat Search for CD-ROMs allows publishers to create fully searchable, cross-platform CDs for users of Windows, Macintosh and UNIX systems.

Acrobat Reader 2.1

Acrobat Reader 2.1 software lets users view, navigate and print PDF files and includes support for embedded Web links and movie and sound clips. Acrobat Reader 2.1 supports Windows 95, Windows 3.1, Windows NT, Macintosh and native Power Macintosh, SunOS 4.1.3., Sun Solaris 2.3 and 2.4, HP-UX 9.0.3 and above and 10.0 family, and Silicon Graphics IRIX 5.3-5.x. For users of MS-DOS systems, Acrobat Reader 1.0 is also freely available. Acrobat Reader software can be downloaded from Adobe's World Wide Web server at (<http://www.adobe.com/software.html>)

Acrobat Catalog 2.1 for native Power Macintosh and Macintosh

Acrobat Catalog 2.1 is now available for Macintosh and native Power Macintosh systems. It allows users to create full-text indexes of all PDF files on a CD-ROM, network server or a local hard drive, making it quick and easy to accurately locate specific information within the files. Acrobat Catalog 2.1 is also available for Windows systems.

OLE plug-in for Macintosh

Acrobat Exchange 2.1 and Acrobat Reader 2.1 now support OLE 2.0 for Macintosh, allowing systems integrators and VARS to easily integrate Acrobat 2.1 with applications such as Lotus Notes. Acrobat 2.1 for Windows also supports OLE.

Portable Font Server for Windows

Adobe Type Manager™ (ATM) technology for rendering Type 1 fonts has been built into Acrobat 2.1 software for Windows platforms, eliminating the need to install ATM on Windows systems including Windows 3.1, Windows NT 3.5 and Windows 95. Customers also have the option to install a standard version of ATM on Windows 3.1 and Windows 95 systems..

Expanded Language Support

Localized versions of Acrobat 2.1 software are now available in Spanish and Swedish. Other supported languages include French, German, Dutch, Italian, U.S. and International English.

Market**Universal Creation and Viewing Tool for Electronic Documents**

Acrobat 2.1 software allows publishers to reach the widest possible audience with expanded support for Windows 3.1, Windows NT and Windows 95, Macintosh, native Power Macintosh, SunOS, Sun Solaris, HP-UX and Silicon Graphics IRIX systems.

Universal Authoring Flexibility for the Electronic Publisher

With Acrobat software, content providers can use the authoring tools of their choice to create rich and dynamic electronic information. Enhancements to Acrobat 2.1 include Movie tool, which lets users add multimedia components to PDF documents and Weblink, a tool that lets users seamlessly move between PDF files and other file types on the World Wide Web.

Universal Electronic Distribution

Adobe Acrobat 2.1 software allows content providers to create a document once and distribute it universally across many electronic media such as CD-ROM and the Internet without having to reauthor any of the information. In addition, PDF files can be printed on demand using virtually any printer.

Distribution

Acrobat 2.1 software is distributed through major retailers, value added resellers, system integrators and direct from Adobe through a volume purchase program.

Pricing**Adobe Acrobat Exchange 2.1**

Includes Acrobat Reader software; Acrobat Exchange, Acrobat PDF Writer driver; Adobe Type Manager software; multiple master technology for font substitution; 14 Adobe Type 1 fonts; printed and on-line user guides and Acrobat CD Sampler.

Macintosh and Windows

Price: \$195

Upgrade: Registered users can upgrade from Acrobat 2.0 to 2.1 for \$29 or from Acrobat 1.0 for \$79.

UNIX: *SunOS 4.1.3 and higher, Sun Solaris 2.3 and 2.4, HP-UX 9.0.3 and above and 10.0 family*

Price: \$295

Upgrade: Registered users can upgrade from Acrobat 1.0 to 2.1 for \$89.

Adobe Acrobat Pro 2.1

Includes everything in Adobe Acrobat Exchange plus Acrobat Distiller.

Macintosh and Windows

Price: \$595

Upgrade: Registered users can upgrade from Acrobat Pro 2.0 to 2.1 for \$89 or from Acrobat Pro 1.0 for \$199.

UNIX: *SunOS 4.1.3 and higher, Sun Solaris 2.3 and 2.4, HP-UX 9.0.3 and above and 10.0 family*

Price: \$1,895

Upgrade: Registered users can upgrade from Acrobat Distiller 1.0 to Acrobat Pro 2.1 for \$549.

Adobe Acrobat for Workgroups

Includes a 10-user license for everything in the Acrobat Exchange 2.1 package and includes one license each for Acrobat Distiller software and Acrobat Catalog software. Available for Macintosh and Windows platforms.

Price: \$1,595

Upgrade: Registered users can upgrade from Acrobat for Workgroups 2.0 to Acrobat for Workgroups 2.1 for \$199 or from Acrobat 1.0 for Workgroups for \$349.

Acrobat Search for CD-ROMs

Includes one license per CD-ROM title for unlimited distribution rights of Acrobat Reader 2.1 with Acrobat Search. Available for Macintosh, Windows and UNIX platforms.

Acrobat Catalog 2.1

Included with Acrobat for Workgroups 2.1 or available separately for \$500. Available for Macintosh and Windows platforms.

Adobe Acrobat Reader

Widely distributed for free. Available for Macintosh, Windows, Silicon Graphics IRIX, SunOS, Sun Solaris and HP-UX.