

Are you able to effectively report on Primavera P6 data?



P6-Auditor v4 – User-Friendly P6 Reports

THE CHALLENGE

Primavera does an excellent job of auditing changes made to a P6 database and of tracking the users who are logging in and out of the P6 client or the API. In theory, it should be easy to track these changes and who has made them, but unfortunately, all this critical information is all contained in database level records and consuming that information and displaying it in a format that makes sense to a non-techie is a challenge.

The screenshot displays the P6-Auditor web application. The top navigation bar includes 'Reporting' with sub-options: 'Event Report' (selected), 'Usage Report', and 'User Activity'. The main content area is titled 'Event Report' and shows a list of audit events. The table below represents the data shown in the report.

EPSId	EPSName	Date	Primavera User	Oper	Eps Path	Wbs Short Name	Wbs Name
1-EAI-P6LOAD-DEMO	P6-Loader	08/18/2021 03:38 PM	sueh	UPDATE			P6-Loader Testing → P6-Loader
CAPPS	CAPPS	08/18/2021 12:26 PM	sueh	UPDATE			CAPPS Testing → CAPPS
P6-QA	P6-QA	08/18/2021 12:24 PM	sueh	UPDATE			P6-QA Testing → P6-QA
Auditor EPS	Auditor Moved EPS	08/18/2021 12:24 PM	sueh	UPDATE	EPS.P6-AUDITOR.Auditor EPS → EPS.1-EAI-P6LOAD-DEMO.Auditor EPS		
Auditor EPS	Auditor Moved EPS	08/18/2021 12:14 PM	sueh	UPDATE		NEWEPS → Auditor EPS	(New EPS) → Auditor Moved EPS
Auditor EPS	Auditor Moved EPS	08/18/2021 12:13 PM	sueh	UPDATE	EPS.Auditor EPS → EPS.P6-AUDITOR.Auditor EPS		
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THE SOLUTION

Emerald Associates has developed a web application called the P6-Auditor, which can display the information from the P6 audit tables in a very user-friendly format. Event, Data Usage and User Activity are presented in a report format for quick data retrieval or the reports can be tailored with filters and column customization without the assistance of a DBA. Layouts may also be saved by the user for later use.

P6-Auditor is one of the easiest tools to find what has been added, changed and/or deleted from your database. With the P6-Auditor, you can determine when a change occurred and who made it; this will allow you to effectively coach a user making damaging edits as well as know how far back you need to go back to restore your altered data. Data usage can be seen in the entire database or for specific projects for Codes, Calendars, Resources, Roles and UDFs helping you keep your global data clean. User activity can be analyzed to determine who is using P6 so you can manage your licensing numbers and see who is currently logged in.

This tool gives you better control of your P6 EPPM database across your organization.



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THE BENEFITS

P6-Auditor saves a lot of time for not only users but also for their DBAs or IT support group. A user can self-serve the retrieval of information from the audit tables and tailor the layout with sorting, filtering and column moving for their informational needs that can be saved in reusable definitions. The ability for a user to investigate on their own frees up support staff from running queries on the tables and creating user readable files.

EASY, FLEXIBLE & SECURE

- Narrow down audit data usage by sorting and/or filtering on columns
- Arrange columns in the order that makes sense for your information
- Save common layouts for quick retrieval and usage over and over
- Little coaching required

SAVES TIME

- Reduces wait time if you need to restore a database
- No need to wait for a DBA to create reports
- Quickly find what has been added, changed, and/or deleted from P6 and by whom

SAVES MONEY

- Reports can be created by a regular P6 user rather than a DBA
- Removes the need for dedicated staff to read tables and present data

USER COMMENTS

"We needed to manage a lot of big groups and deal with EPS nodes moving – P6-Auditor helped us manage this."

**Project Manager, Large
Electrical Utility Company**

WHAT'S NEW – V4

- New, simplified user interface to make it easier to audit data
- Filtering on each column right on screen
- Control of the column ordering for each reporting area
- Saving of the definitions for quick reusability

TECHNICAL SPECS

- Tested on Firefox, Edge, and Google Chrome
- Windows or Linux OS released in the past 10 years
- 1 GB memory minimum, 4 GB recommended, 8 GB ideal
- 250 MB disc space for installation, 5 GB temporary disc space
- The P6-Auditor needs direct access to the P6 database to retrieve the event information

CERTIFICATIONS

