

OpenEdge 12.6

Innovation Release

DATA SHEET

Introduction

Enterprises across the globe are operating on business-critical applications developed years agomany of which are built on Progress[®] OpenEdge[®]. Considering the reliability and stability of the OpenEdge platform, these business owners may be hesitant to invest in the modernization of those applications.

"By 2023, 90% of current applications will still be in use, but most will have received insufficient modernization investment."

2018 Strategic Roadmap for Application Strategy, Gartner, June 15, 2018

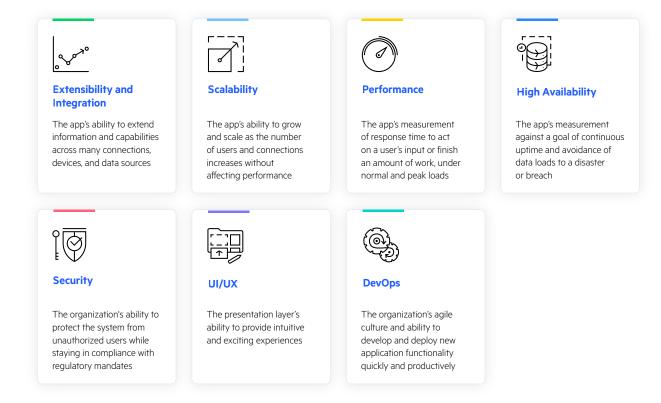
Modernizing Your Application

When it comes to modernization, OpenEdge delivers highly available and agile applications to support your business's growth. With applications that support global organizations and their customers, OpenEdge allows you to modernize for today's requirements to support tomorrow's business demands.

Evolving your application can be complex. You need to continuously provide value to your business and your customers, leveraging your investment in the core logic and pave the way for future innovation. Modernizing your application can be complex. Yet this evolution is also a necessary undertaking to continue to thrive in today's ever- evolving business environment.

Application users are becoming savvier and expect improved functionality, while the methods of accessing various enterprise systems are changing and the number of target platforms as well as connections to the data continue to increase. As a result, developers are struggling to continuously deliver application functionality that will help their organizations keep pace.

It is imperative that your mission-critical application provide the following in order to address today's business demands.



By embarking on a journey of continuous application evolution, enterprises can position themselves to be more agile while continuing to drive value to the business. As you look to be more proactive in your application evolution strategy, the first step you should take is evolving to OpenEdge 12.6.

Review the full details in the Progress OpenEdge Life Cycle Policy Guide.

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What's New in OpenEdge 12.6

Customers and partners seeking to accelerate delivery in a competitive market will find that OpenEdge 12.6 provides advanced security features, as well as Kafka streaming data for continuous operations, improved productivity, continuous availability, performance, and supportability improvements, as well as a new release to the OpenEdge Command Center.

OpenEdge 12.6 allows your development team to be highly productive as they build and deploy applications. You can address service level requirements and minimize downtime through improved monitoring performance with new DevOps tooling. Plus, you'll gain new levels of DevOps and deployment agility and minimize risk with new performance and supportability capabilities. Here is just a snapshot of the benefits you'll receive with OpenEdge 12.6.

Progress® OpenEdge® 12.6 – delivers new features and enhancements to provide customers with the most competitive tools to support their businesses. (Innovation release)

OpenEdge 12.6 Feature Highlights



• Advanced Security: A collection of security features targeted at customers requiring additional protection, including JSON Web Encryption, Hardware Security Module and Transparent Data Encryption



• Kafka Streaming Data: By allowing multiple messages to be sent as a single transaction via Kafka, ABL developer messages can be sent reliably without managing additional producers



• Improved Productivity: Extension of OOABL capabilities with SortedSet collections for sorted order, the ability to serialize a collection to JSON and to provide faster element lookup



• Continuous Availability, Performance and Supportability Improvements: OpenEdge 12.6 supports 24x7 operations, allowing users to manage database storage by truncating a data storage area online. The update also lets you identify and repair database corruption faster with diagnostic tools



• **OpenEdge Command Center:** The next release of OpenEdge Command Center includes industry standard OpenTelemetry metrics for managing deployments across the enterprise, including PAS for OpenEdge and Database performance metrics

For a full list of the new features introduced in OpenEdge 12.6, please refer to the <u>What's New in</u>. <u>OpenEdge documentation</u>.

Choose your Journey to Application Modernization

The <u>OpenEdge 12</u> series provides the technical foundation to facilitate your application evolution effort.

With OpenEdge 12.6 customers have the opportunity to drive their OpenEdge application to modernization. This release provides the latest in application development supporting continuous operations, delightful DevOps experience along with performance, scalability and security.

Learn more about OpenEdge 12.6.

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With OpenEdge 12.2 came the introduction to a new product lifecycle for a Long-Term. Supported (LTS) release that enables customers to realize the benefits of OpenEdge while continuing to receive technical support for several years. This gives customers greater operational stability and longevity on a release while allowing informed, confident decisions to modernize at your own pace.

Customers also have the option of using non-long-term supported releases as the foundation for highly competitive application development and delivery strategies enabling accelerated access to new features and functionality. Customers can migrate from one non-long-term supported release to another non-long-term supported release more frequently than they would from a long-term supported release to another.

To learn more about the OpenEdge product life cycle and Long-Term Supported and non-Long Term Supported versions please review the OpenEdge <u>Product Life Cycle</u> and review the milestone dates for <u>Sunset/Retire</u> dates for various OpenEdge versions.

Drive Product Direction

Your feedback and collaboration is key to our delivering essential iterative improvements and delivering technology that drives your success. Here are two new ways for you to influence OpenEdge product direction:

Submitting New Ideas

Sharing your enhancement requests through our new portal is easy and collaborative! You can enter, comment and vote on ideas as in the past, now with much-improved searching and filtering capabilities. In addition, as ideas are actioned by the OpenEdge team, idea creators and subscribers receive automatic emails on significant status changes and comments. You can access the new portal at https://openedge.ideas.aha.io/ideas, and we look forward to your continued idea collaboration!

Customer Validation Program (CVP)

When you become a <u>member of the CVP</u> you will have the opportunity to influence the OpenEdge roadmap so we can produce capabilities that meet your most pressing business needs. It is designed to provide you with direct insight into features that are currently under development. You will also have access to demos and test builds, allowing you to preview pre-release software and provide feedback before the release becomes commercially available, along with product webinars, sprint reviews, roadmap surveys, and more. It's easy to join, and you will have direct communication with the OpenEdge product team while gaining insight into what your peers are requesting as well.

Delivering Software that Meets your Expectations is our Number One Priority

JOIN CVP



The Application Evolution Approach

With Progress as your partner, there is no need to delay the Application Evolution process any longer. You are in an ideal position to seize the new opportunities that will present themselves with a move to a lighter and more fluid cloud architecture that increases collaboration and communication within the organization as well as with business partners and suppliers.

Get started today with the Application Evolution eBook.

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Test Drive OpenEdge 12 Series Today! https://www.progress.com/openedge/whats-new

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