



## IBM Extended Parallel Server (XPS)

The Extended Parallel Server (XPS) exploits parallel processing technologies in support of high-end data warehousing applications. IBM intends to continue to enhance, sell and support this product. A new release of XPS, version 8.32, has been delivered in October 2001. This release includes many of the most critical customer requested features, including security enhancements, optimizer directives, and DCM improvements.

A subsequent release of XPS, version 8.4, will support the major release themes of improved usability, additional tools support, and performance optimization. It is our intention to make this release available within 18 months of 8.32. Features being discussed for possible inclusion in this release include: support for long IDs, better roles support, ISTAR participant support, B-tree compression and a variety of other features.

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