

Backup and Recovery Planning Program



When you are developing missioncritical applications, protecting your investment with a sound backup and recovery plan is an essential component of your overall strategy.

Having a reliable and tested plan of action in the event of a system outage is the best way to ensure high system availability. To develop and test your plan, it makes sense to work with experts in IBM Informix[®] database technology. IBM Data Management Professional Services offers a backup

and recovery planning program focused on providing you with a strategy that works and grows with your environment.

What's involved

When you engage IBM Data
Management Professional Services,
you bring in database administration
experts with a thorough knowledge
of backup and recovery planning.
IBM consultants offer two additional
advantages: a wealth of on-the-job
experience and an ongoing, working
relationship with IBM's research and
development organization.

With in-depth knowledge of IBM Informix database technologies, IBM consultants are subject matter experts, prepared to work closely with your staff to plan, implement and test a custom backup and recovery strategy. Steps involved will include:

- Tool selection (ON-Bar[™], HPL, CDR/HDR)
- Backup duration and log backup
- Parallel backup and recovery
- Integration into the current tape management system

Program deliverables

During the course of the Backup and Recovery Planning Program, the consultant makes recommendations for optimizing any existing plans.

Upon completion, the IBM consultant delivers a report covering all aspects of backup and recovery pertaining to your environment and offers recommendations for future actions. IBM Data Management Professional Services encourages client participation throughout the process, allowing you and your staff to be integrally involved in all steps of the program.



Program duration

The time required to perform backup and recovery planning for an application using an IBM Informix database can be highly variable, depending on the nature of the specific environment. The scenarios range from simple (such as a small database residing on one machine) to extremely involved, multiple IBM Informix databases arranged in a replicated string across many sites, for example.

The IBM consultant will assess your environment and recommend a tailored engagement, which typically lasts from five to ten days.

Requirements

Successful development of a backup and recovery plan requires:

- Access to the design team and documents
- Access to the production plans
- Access to the system resources as a system administrator
- Access to the database administrator for questions
- $A \ representative \ test \ environment$
- Direct contact with the proposed hardware and software vendors

For more information

To learn more about IBM Data Management Professional Services and the Backup and Recovery Planning Program, please contact your IBM marketing representative or an IBM Business Partner, or call 1800 IBM-CALL (within the U.S.).

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