

What's New in QuickBooks® 2019?

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QUICK VIEW

New

- Customer Invoice History Tracker
- Transfer Credits Between Customer Jobs
- Data File Optimization (Condense Audit Trial)

Revised and Enhanced

- Prompt to Create Bill Payment In-Lieu-Of Write Check
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- IIF Import Functionality
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Payroll-Related Changes

- Employee Pay Adjustment History
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- Sensitive Payroll Permissions Identification

QuickBooks® for Mac

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- Find Reconciliation Discrepancies More Easily
- Import Sales Data from Square

Customer Invoice Status Tracker

Real-time visibility of invoice statuses to expedite collections.

KEY BENEFIT: Improve cash flow.

FROM:

- Not knowing whether or not customers have viewed invoices that were mailed to them
- Not being able to view the real-time status along the entire invoice journey and improve collections

TO:

- Real-time visibility of invoice statuses at-a-glance to expedite collections

The screenshot displays a software interface for tracking invoice status. At the top, there are dropdown menus for 'CUSTOMER JOB' (set to 'Campbell') and 'TEMPLATE' (set to 'Intuit Produ...'). Below this, the word 'Invoice' is prominently displayed next to a green checkmark and the text 'PAID 05/29/2018'. A red box highlights a 'See History' button. A green circle is drawn around the 'Invoice History' pop-up window, which lists the following events:

DATE	STATUS	DESCRIPTION
05/29/2018	DEPOSITED	500.00 deposited
05/29/2018	PAID	500.00 received from Campbell
05/28/2018	VIEWED	Viewed
05/28/2018	SENT	Emailed to Campbell
05/28/2018	CREATED	Invoice created

The background interface includes fields for 'DATE' (05/28/2018), 'BILL TO', 'SHIP TO', 'SHIP' (05/28/2018), 'VIA', 'F.O.B.', 'PRICE BACK', and 'AMOUNT'. A table shows a price back of 500.00 and an amount of 500.00. At the bottom right, summary fields show 'TOTAL' (500.00), 'PAYMENTS APPLIED' (500.00), and 'BALANCE DUE' (0.00). Buttons for 'Save & Close', 'Save & New', and 'Revert' are at the bottom.

Note: Invoices must be emailed within QuickBooks® for full functionality to apply, you must have an active Internet connection for some information to be displayed, not all capabilities are supported under Microsoft Outlook 2010.

Transfer Credits for Customers and Jobs

Simplified 1-click transfer of credits across customer jobs for streamlined workflow.

KEY BENEFIT: Increased productivity.

FROM: Not being able to easily apply the credits made on any jobs, across all jobs listed under that customer

TO:

- Transfer customer credits across jobs, quickly and easily
- Clients can transfer customer credits without needing special accounting knowledge

The screenshot shows the 'Customer Payment' window in QuickBooks. At the top right, the 'CUSTOMER BALANCE' is 10.00. The 'RECEIVED FROM' dropdown is set to 'MyCust J2'. The 'PAYMENT AMOUNT' is 0.00, and the 'DATE' is 05/30/2018. Below these are buttons for 'CASH', 'CHECK', 'CREDIT DEBIT', 'e-CHECK', and 'MORE'. A modal window titled 'UNUSED CREDITS' is centered over the table, stating 'ACROSS ALL JOBS FOR THIS CUSTOMER' with a total of '100.00' and an 'Apply Credits' button. The background table has columns for DATE, NUMBER, ORIG. AMT., and PAYMENT. A row shows a payment of 10.00 on 05/30/2018. The bottom of the window has a 'MEMO' field and buttons for 'Save & Close', 'Save & New', and 'Clear'.

Credit: Adapted from Intuit source document.

QuickBooks® creates and uses a special '**Account for Credit Transfer**' Other Current Asset account-type to record the changes which happen 'behind the scenes' using journal entries. QuickBooks® also sets this account to inactive status (upon creation) so that users do not mistakenly attempt to post transactions to it for other purposes.

The screenshot shows a 'Confirm transfer' dialog box with a yellow warning triangle icon. The text inside reads: 'You're about to transfer credits to another job. You can undo this transfer only by making general journal entries. [Find out how](#)'. Below this is the question 'Do you want to continue?' and two buttons: 'Yes' and 'No'.

There is no 'undo' option for this feature. As the warning shown above advises, you can only undo this transfer by manually making additional journal entries. This feature also does not work when using an 'Accountant's Copy' of a client's data.

Data File Optimization (Condense Audit Trail)

Simple, self-serve solution allows you to reduce the size of your company file and helps improve file reliability.

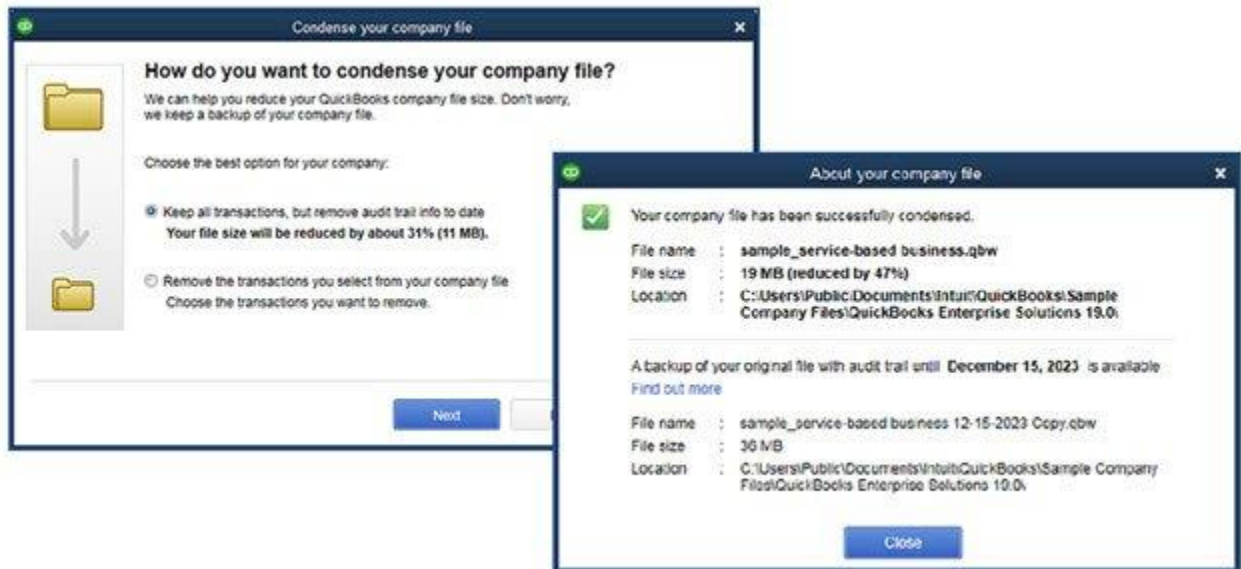
KEY BENEFIT: Focus on the business and don't worry about the file size.

FROM:

- I am told my file is too big, but I need older transactions
- I want to use file condense but its too complex to do it myself and it takes up hours

TO: Simple and safe way to reduce file size by about 30% without deleting older records

This new option within the Condense feature of QuickBooks® 2019 allows you to reduce your Company file size without losing any of your transactional data. It does so by removing all the audit trail data from the file which can be a significant amount of data especially when files have a substantial history of transaction edits. It also performs some other internal optimization of the database.



Note: Graphics created from a pre-release version of QuickBooks® 2019

As a result, you should see better performance since files could be reduced by as much as 45% in size (although the typical reduction in our testing was around 33%).

Prompt to Create Bill Payment In-Lieu-Of Write Check

Visibility of unpaid vendor bills to easily manage payments.

KEY BENEFIT: Accounting done properly.

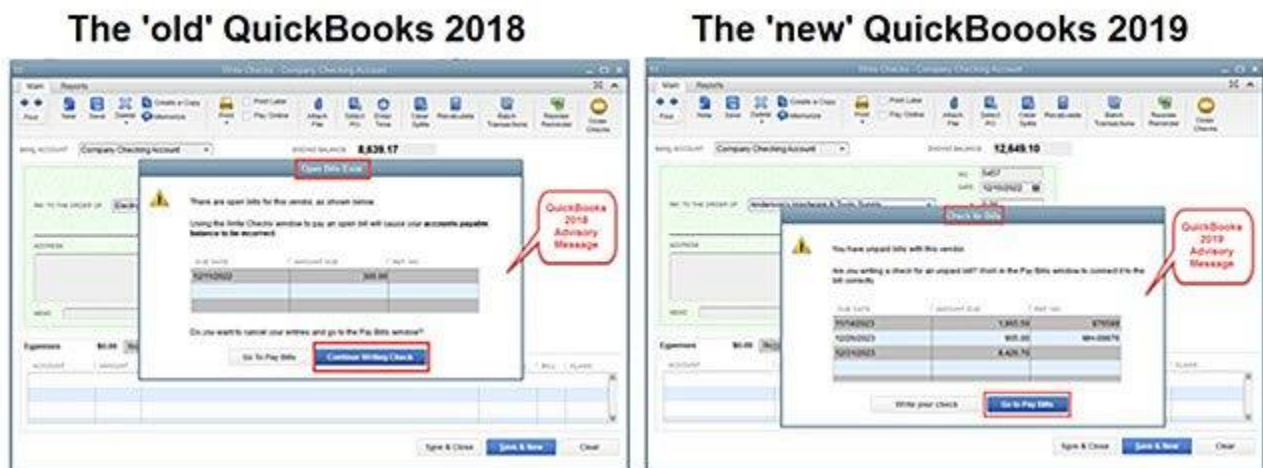
FROM:

- Often write checks to vendors without linking to open bills
- Finding relevant bill across all open bills in company file, when trying to link

TO:

- QB prompts and guides to link check with open bills
- QB show only open bills for that vendor, for quick access

This is a change to an advisory message that already existed. But the highlighted option in that message was the Continue Writing Check (blue) button which resulted in many users continuing inappropriately.



Note: 2019 comparison adapted from a pre-release version of QuickBooks® 2019.

When you select this option, QuickBooks® not only takes you to the Pay Bills window, but also automatically filters the window for the specific Vendor you initially attempted to write a check for. This streamlines the workflow making it easier than ever to follow the proper procedure.

Inactive Inventory Items in Inventory Valuations

A new filter to include / exclude inactive inventory items gives an up-to-date assessment of inventory

KEY BENEFIT: Save time while accounting for inactive inventory items.

FROM:

- Inventory Valuation reports and General ledgers don't agree because of Inactive inventory items
- Have to manually calculate value of inactive inventory to ensure books are alright

TO:

- Include inactive inventory items in valuation reports for accurate valuation
- With a check box, include or exclude Inactive inventory items in the valuation reports

Inventory	On Hand	Avg Cost	Asset Value	% of Tot Asset	Sales Price	Retail Value	% of Tot Retail
Irrigation Hose (Vinyl Irrigation Line - Parent Item - Do Not Purchase or Sell)							
1/2" Line (1/2" Vinyl Irrigation Line)	1,783	0.12	213.96	3.1%	0.15	267.45	3.8%
1/4" Line (1/4" Vinyl Irrigation Line)	1,235	0.07	86.45	1.2%	0.10	123.50	1.8%
3/4" Line (3/4" Vinyl Irrigation Line)	2,670	0.18	480.60	6.9%	0.27	720.90	10.3%
Irrigation Hose (Vinyl Irrigation Line - Parent Item - Do Not Purchase or S...	0	0.00	0.00	0.0%	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Total Irrigation Hose (Vinyl Irrigation Line - Parent Item - Do Not Purchase or S...	5,688		781.01	11.3%		1,111.85	15.9%
Lighting (Garden Lighting)	94	14.61	1,392.00	20.1%	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Pump (Fountain pump #198-30)	45	53.94	2,508.87	37.3%	75.00	3,600.00	51.6%
Soil (Soil, 2 cubic ft bag)	0	5.30	0.00	0.0%	6.75	0.00	0.0%
Sprinkler Hds (Sprinkler head #BL59081-09)	69	6.39	440.60	6.4%	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Sprkl pipes (Plastic sprinkler piping #1098-20)	828	2.10	1,734.60	25.0%	2.75	2,271.50	32.5%
Total Inventory	6,725		6,937.08	100.0%		6,983.35	100.0%
TOTAL	6,725		6,937.08	100.0%		6,983.35	100.0%

Note: Graphic created from a pre-release version of QuickBooks® 2019.

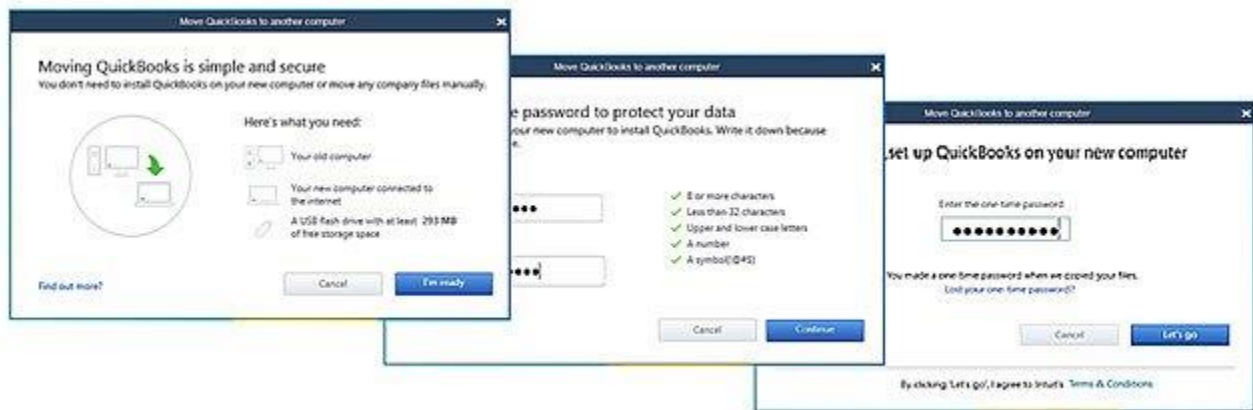
For 2019, QuickBooks® Desktop Inventory Valuation reports can include inactive item quantities and values so that you can balance your inventory reports against the inventory assets on your Balance Sheet and General Ledger. A checkbox for **Show Inactive Inventory Items** is located on the report header to the right of the Dates and 'Hide zero QOH' options, as highlighted above in the Inventory Valuation Summary.

UPDATE: It has been reported that there is a 'bug' associated with this feature. While the new feature includes inactive 'Inventory Items' in the computation it does not include inactive 'Inventory Assembly Items' (with quantities on hand) in the computation. This means that the report may still not balance to your balance sheet or general ledger even if other irregularities are not present.

Streamlined Move of QuickBooks® to New Version

While this feature was released during QuickBooks® 2018 it is included within Intuit's list of QuickBooks® 2019 features because 2019 will be the first release version in which the feature has been available from the launch of the version.

For users with a 'Plus' Subscription, this tool provides a more simplistic way of moving your QuickBooks® program and Company files (up to 3 of them) to an entirely different computer.



Note: Graphics prepared from a pre-release version of QuickBooks ®2019.

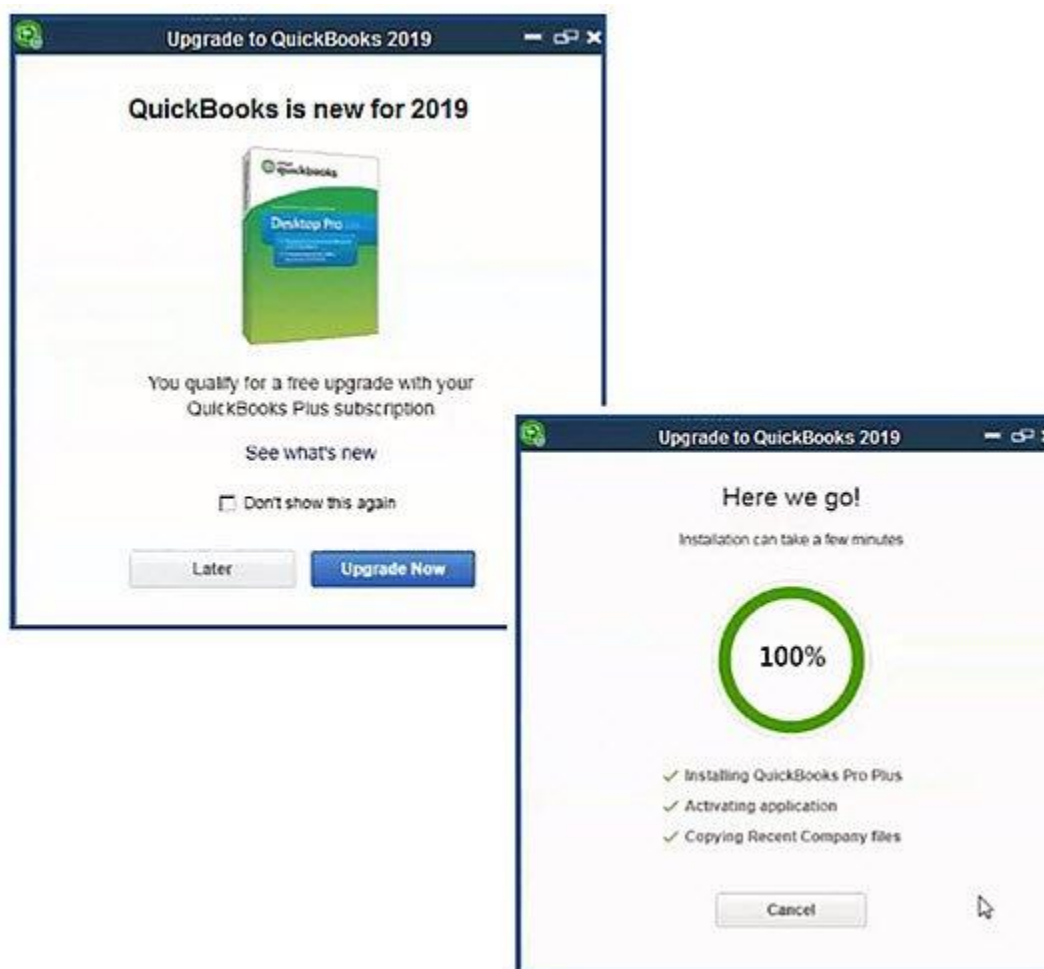
In order to make use of this tool users need to have Admin level access to the computer where QuickBooks® and the Company files are current resident, a USB (flash memory) drive with sufficient 'free space' to hold your Company files (QuickBooks® will even tell you how much free space is required as part of starting this process). You also need Administrator level access for the new computer which must also have an active Internet connection.

Streamlined Upgrade of QuickBooks® to New Version

Only for QuickBooks® Plus customers.

This feature was first introduced during 2018 for 'Plus' Subscribers, who were still using 2017 versions of QuickBooks®, to assist in upgrading them to 2018 versions. 2019 will be the first wide-spread use of this feature and will be available to all Plus Subscribers running 2018 products who are eligible to convert to 2019 versions.

This functionality significantly reduces the issues users may encounter when attempting to upgrade on their own. It just takes a couple of clicks to transition from QuickBooks® 2018 to QuickBooks® 2019 with this functionality.



Credits: Graphic adapted from Intuit source documents.

This process downloads the new version, installs it on your computer (giving you the option to keep your old version), activates (registers) the product, and replicates and converts your Company files. Streamlines the process, in some cases under 3-4 minutes.

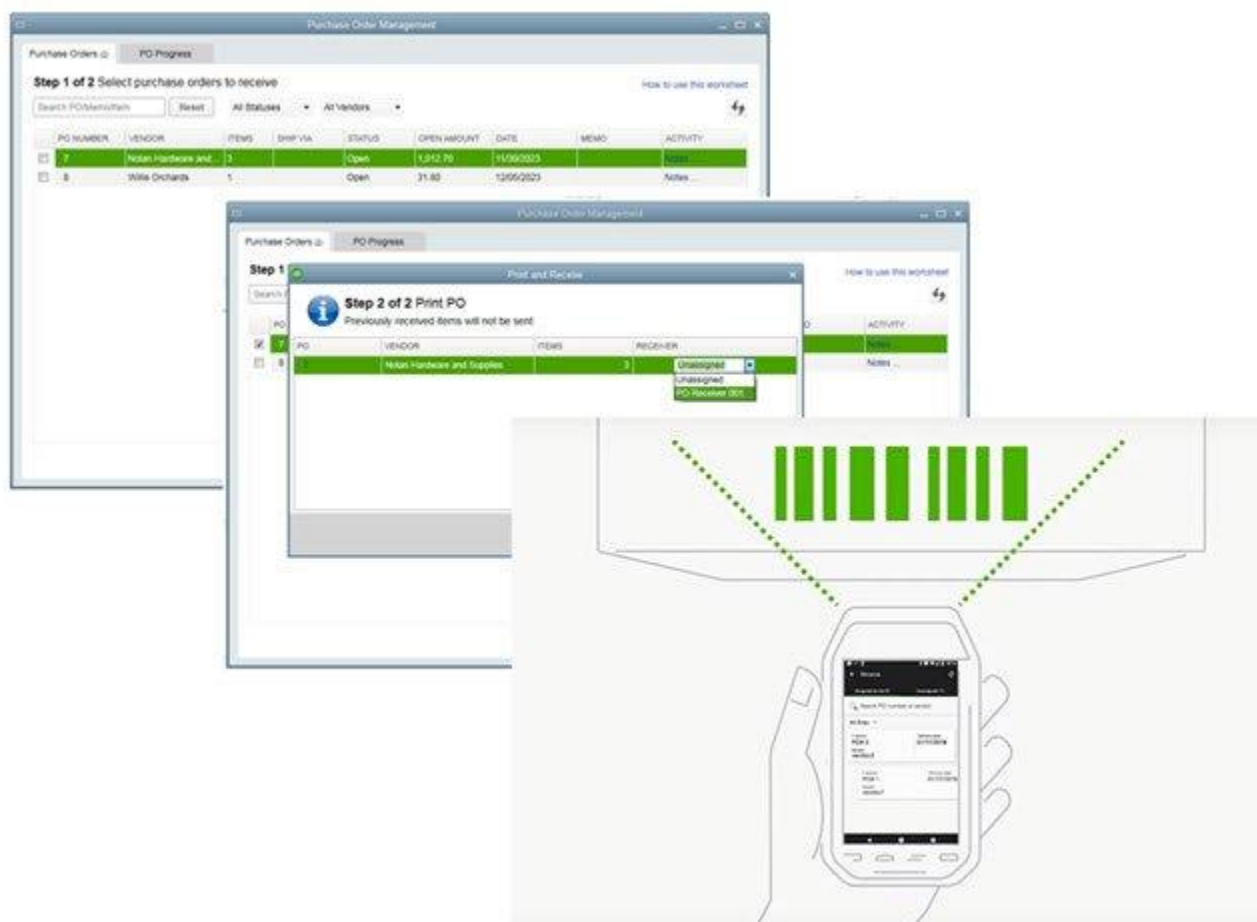
Purchase Order Receiving

This Feature Is Only Available in QuickBooks® Enterprise Platinum Edition.

This feature was introduced during QuickBooks® 2018 but is included in the QuickBooks® 2019 release notes because this is the first full year that the feature will be available.

Many QuickBooks® Enterprise Advanced Inventory users who adopted last year's Sales Order Worksheet and Mobile Scanner features for order fulfillment told Intuit that they wanted additional functionality to help offset the cost of scanner purchases. It seemed only natural that 'receiving of inventory' should go right along with sales fulfillment, so this feature incorporates not only a new Purchase Order Management Worksheet and workflow but allows for use of the mobile scanners to record Purchase Order receiving.

With this new feature you essentially identify a Purchase Order for receiving, assign the information to receiving personnel (with a scanner, or optional printed receiving receipt), and scan the merchandise directly into inventory with the mobile device (or enter the receiving information into the PO Worksheet if not using a scanner).



Note: Graphics created from a pre-release version of QuickBooks® 2019 or otherwise adapted from Intuit source documents.

This has the potential to greatly reduce data entry errors and increase efficiency within the inventory receiving process.

Intuit Data Protect

Updated program makes automatic data backups more reliable and easier.

KEY BENEFIT: Manage data more efficiently.

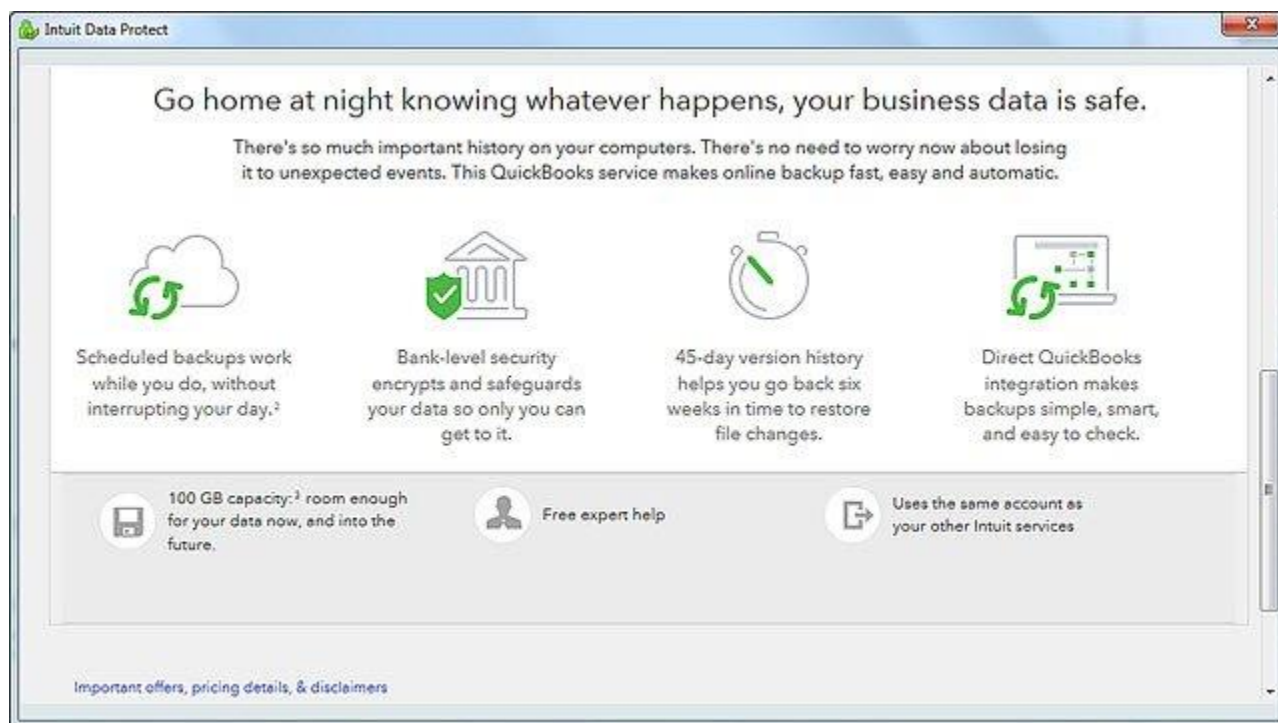
FROM:

- Don't know how to setup and use the online backup or even realize they need to set it up at all
- No peace-of-mind about the status and security of your data

TO:

- Automatically backup data reliably and faster with confidence and peace-of-mind.
- Become aware of the need to backup and restore data.
- Actionable messaging of backup failures helps improve reliability

Many QuickBooks® users have failed to activate Intuit Data Protect even if they were eligible for this off-premise backup solution. Others reported that it was too difficult to set-up, monitor and restore a backup.



Source: Intuit

The 2019 Intuit Data Protect has been updated to streamline the set-up process and simplify automated QuickBooks® backups to Intuit's 'cloud servers.' The solution will also now provide actionable messages in the event of any backup failures to help improve reliability.

Sales Order Pick, Pack & Ship

Easily and accurately manage sales order fulfillment process from a central dashboard and mobile devices

KEY BENEFIT: Streamlined sales order fulfillment with greater ease, higher accuracy, and lower cost.

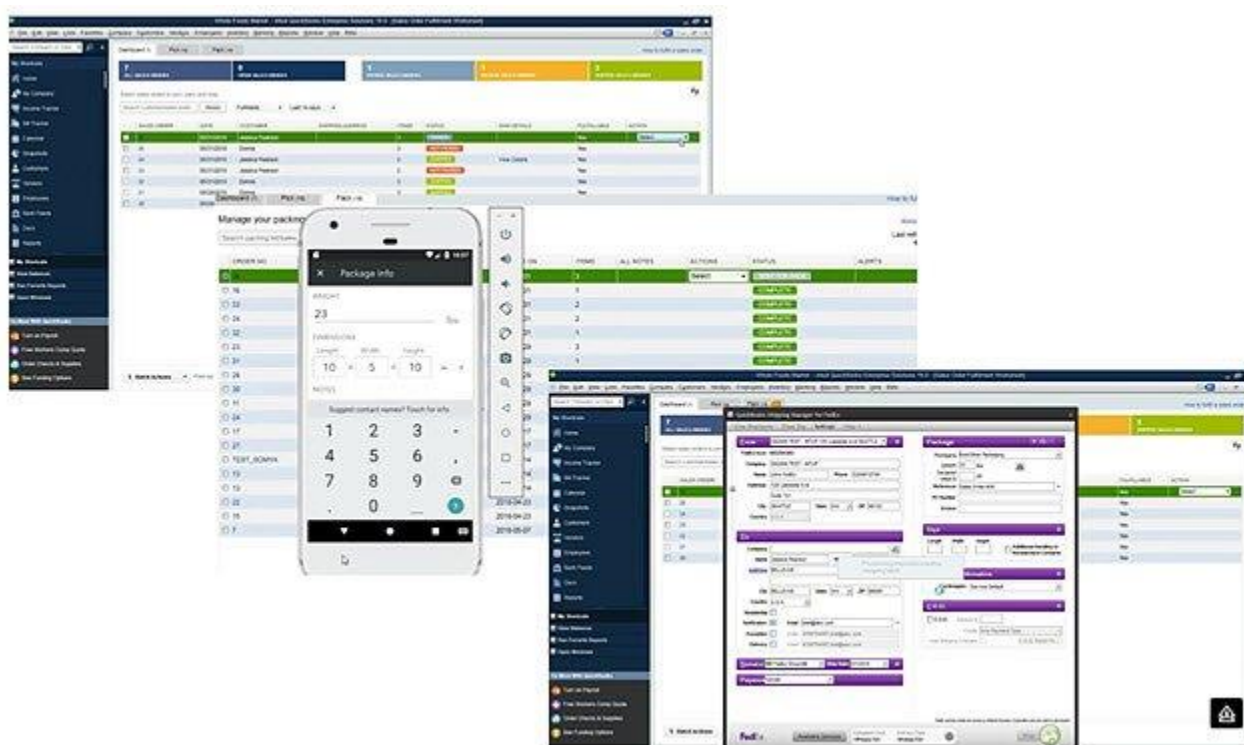
This Feature Is Only Available in QuickBooks® Enterprise Platinum Edition.

FROM:

- Expensive and time-consuming manual sales order fulfillment process
- No single dashboard to track pick/pack/ship order details
- Shipment tracking requires integration with 3rd parties

TO:

- Streamlined and automated sales order fulfillment process integrated with mobile devices
- Central dashboard tracks sales order lifecycle easily from start to finish
- Shipment tracking integrated in QuickBooks



Note: Graphics created from a pre-release version of QuickBooks® 2019 or otherwise adapted from Intuit source documents.

This new functionality is further extended by integrating the workflow directly with the Shipping Manager features for either FedEx or UPS already built into QuickBooks®. Information captured during the packing process is coupled with Sales Order information to not only update packing documents, but also print the shipping labels so that all information is recorded on the centralized dashboard.

Employee Pay Adjustment History

Requires Active Payroll Subscription

If you are using QuickBooks® 2019 with a 'Payroll Subscription' you will have access to the Employee Pay Adjustment History.

Law Firm 18								
Employee Pay Adjustments History								
All Transactions								
Pay Period	Paycheck Date	Payroll Item	Previous Rate	Current Rate	% Change	Amount Paid	Memo	Notes
Deborah Wood								
01/01/2007 - 01/31/2007	02/01/2022	Owner's Tim...	-	50.00	-	11,000.00		(-) Baseline rate for payroll item
Jonathan Graham								
11/17/2007 - 12/01/2007	12/15/2022	Vacation - S...	NA	60,000.00	NA	1,868.67		(NA) Multiple rates within this period
		Unbillable Me...	-	60,000.00	-	833.33		(-) Baseline rate for payroll item
06/01/2007 - 06/15/2007	06/15/2022	Unbillable Tr...	60000.00	60,000.00	0.0%	340.91		
		Associate- B...	60000.00	60,000.00	0.0%	1,022.73		
		Vacation - S...	-	60,000.00	-	1,136.36		(-) Baseline rate for payroll item
01/01/2007 - 01/15/2007	01/15/2022	Associate- B...	-	60,000.00	-	2,272.73		(-) Baseline rate for payroll item
		Unbillable Tr...	-	60,000.00	-	227.27		(-) Baseline rate for payroll item
Vicki King								
01/01/2007 - 01/15/2007	01/15/2022	Clerical	-	12.00	-	360.00		(-) Baseline rate for payroll item

Note: Graphic report generated on a pre-release version of QuickBooks® 2019.

This feature allows you to track changes to employee pay rates regarding hourly payroll items, salary and bonus items, and commission items.

Sick & Vacation Time Tracking Is More Reliable

Only Available with an active Payroll Subscription.

Stay on top of your employee sick and vacation accruals, balances, and shortfalls with these new refinements:

- If an employee does not have enough accrued sick or vacation time for the time to be paid on a paycheck, QuickBooks® shows a warning.
- The options for methods to calculate sick and vacation time expands to comply with some state's requirements (e.g. to set a limit for the maximum sick or vacation time that accrues at any time, not just in the year).
- The pay stub includes more detail for the employee about their accrued, used, and available sick and vacation time.

The screenshot displays the QuickBooks Payroll interface for Bobby Doyle. A warning dialog box is shown, stating: "Warning: Sick Time Used Exceeds Limit. Bobby Doyle has used more sick time than the total available. Do you want to pay this time anyway?" with "Yes" and "No" buttons.

The background shows the "Earnings" and "Other Payroll Items" section. The "Earnings" table includes:

Item Name	Rate	Hours	Customer Job
Salary	18.75.00	60.00	
Sick Pay	31.25	20.00	

The "Other Payroll Items" table includes:

Item Name	Rate
EE Health Insura..	
ER Health Insura..	

The "Totals" section shows:

Medicare Employee Add T..	8.00	8.00
Federal Withholding	-363.00	-362.00

The "Employee Pay Stub" section shows the following details:

Employee: Bobby Doyle, 4000 Sunshine Way, Anytown, TX 11111
 Pay Period: 08/11/2018 - 08/14/2018
 Pay Date: 08/14/2018

Earnings and Hours	Qty	Rate	Current	YTD Amount	Sick	Accrued	Used	Available
Salary			20.00.00	4,500.00				
Taxes								
Medicare Employee Add T..			8.00	8.00				
Federal Withholding			-363.00	-274.25				
Medicare Employee			-36.25	-24.13				
Adjustments to Net Pay			-674.25	-401.38				
EE Health Insurance			-25.00	-25.00				
Net Pay			1,840.75	3,273.72				

The "Sick" section shows:

Sick	Accrued	Used	Available
Current	0.00	20.00	0.00
YTD	0.00	30.00	0.00

The "Non-Securable Company Items" section shows:

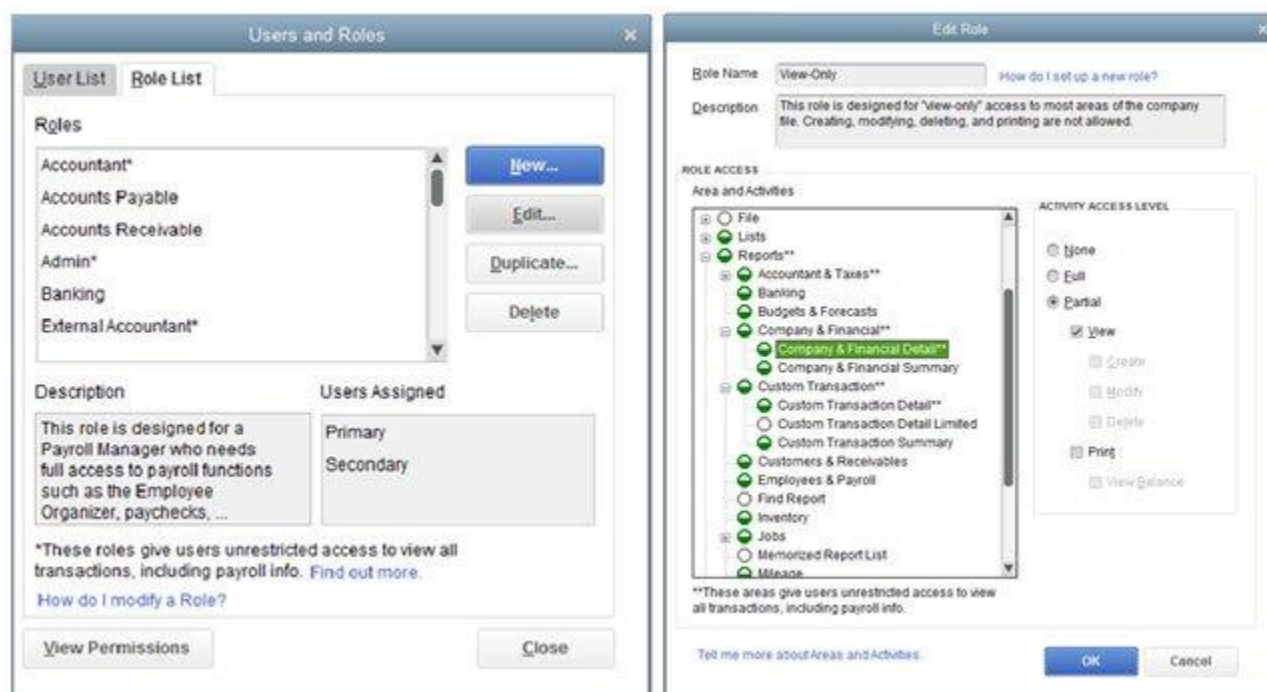
Non-Securable Company Items	Current	YTD Amount
ER Health Insurance Contribution	15.00	30.00

Credit: Graphics adapted in-part from Intuit source documents or otherwise prepared from a pre-release version of QuickBooks® 2019 with Enhanced Payroll subscription.

Sensitive Payroll Permission

Only Available with an active Payroll Subscription in QuickBooks® Enterprise.

Certain user roles/permissions within QuickBooks® Enterprise provide unrestricted access to view all transactions, including Payroll, even when users with those roles or permissions have no explicit access to related areas. New for QuickBooks® Enterprise 19.0 is the ability for the Admin user to identify when any permission level assigned to a user includes access to sensitive payroll information, now marked by an *(asterisk).



Note: Graphics created from a pre-release version of QuickBooks® 2019

While this enhancement does not permit additional granular restriction of such information from roles containing access, it potentially will allow the Admin user to restrict access by altering any users' role assignments.

What's New in QuickBooks® for Mac 2019

Mojave Support, OS Security, and System Requirements

QuickBooks® Desktop for Mac 2019 is compatible with macOS 10.14 (Mojave) from Apple. Mojave's additional layers of security now require you to set up a password, using the existing password functionality, on your QuickBooks® company file.

Access Your QuickBooks® File Through iCloud Document Sharing

Need to work with your QuickBooks® on a different Mac? You can now access your QuickBooks® file from multiple Mac computers synced to iCloud.

iCloud Document Sharing is an existing functionality in macOS. It works by syncing a folder to iCloud Drive. Then, a user with a link to the folder or file in iCloud can access, download and/or collaboratively work on those shared files.

Learn the [do's and don'ts of sharing your QuickBooks® file through iCloud](#).

Easily Identify Past Due Invoices

Get paid faster when the "Past Due" stamp is on an invoice. The stamp shows on print and email. This serves as your automatic reminder of what invoices are due, so you know when it's time to follow up on an invoice payment.

Learn how to [show "Past Due" stamp on invoices](#).

A Faster Way to Find Reconciliation Discrepancy

Seeing an incorrect beginning balance when reconciling? QuickBooks® for Mac 2019 now has a Reconciliation Discrepancy Report. It shows you transactions that were uncleared, modified, deleted, or voided to help you get your reconciliation back to balance.

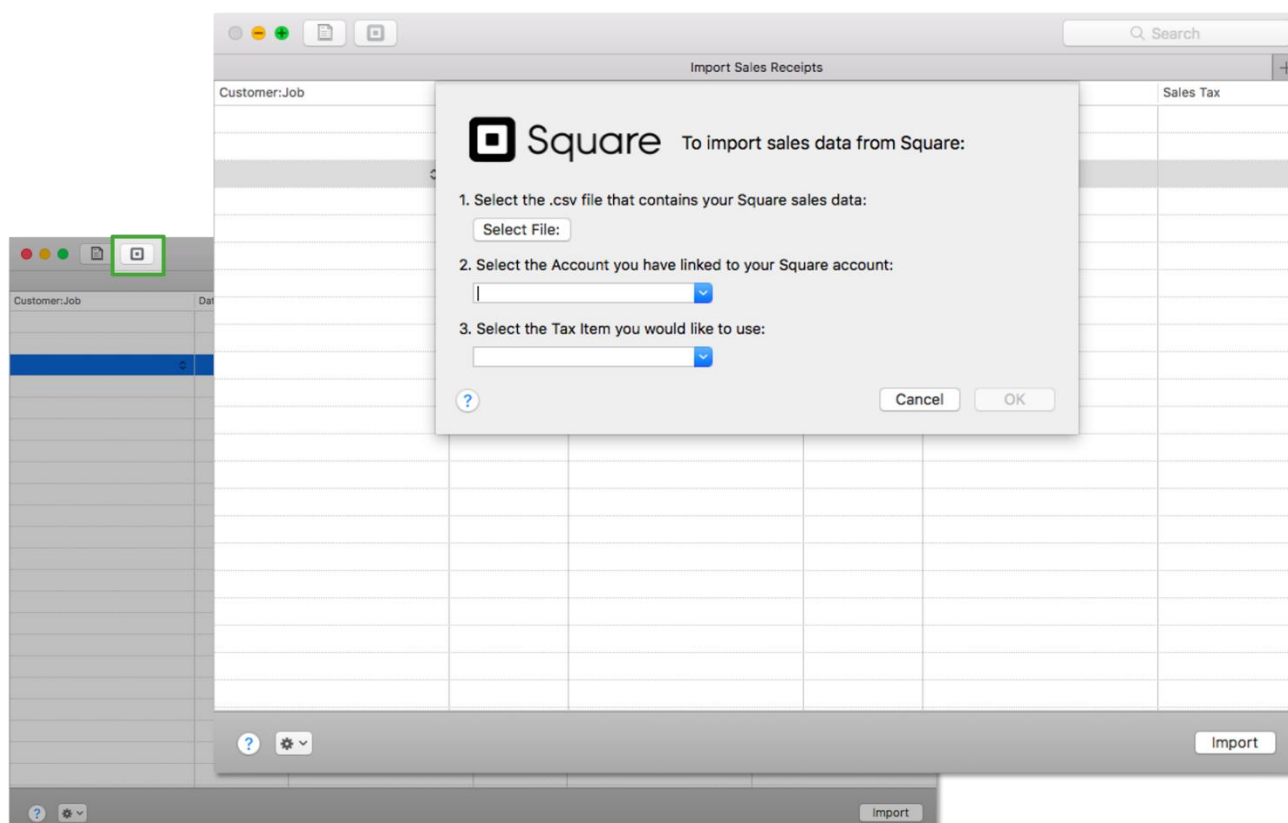
Learn how to use this report and others to find reconciliation discrepancies.

Note: Reconciled transactions that were uncleared, modified, deleted, or voided in a previous QuickBooks® for Mac version will not appear on the Reconciliation Discrepancy report.

Import Sales Data from Square

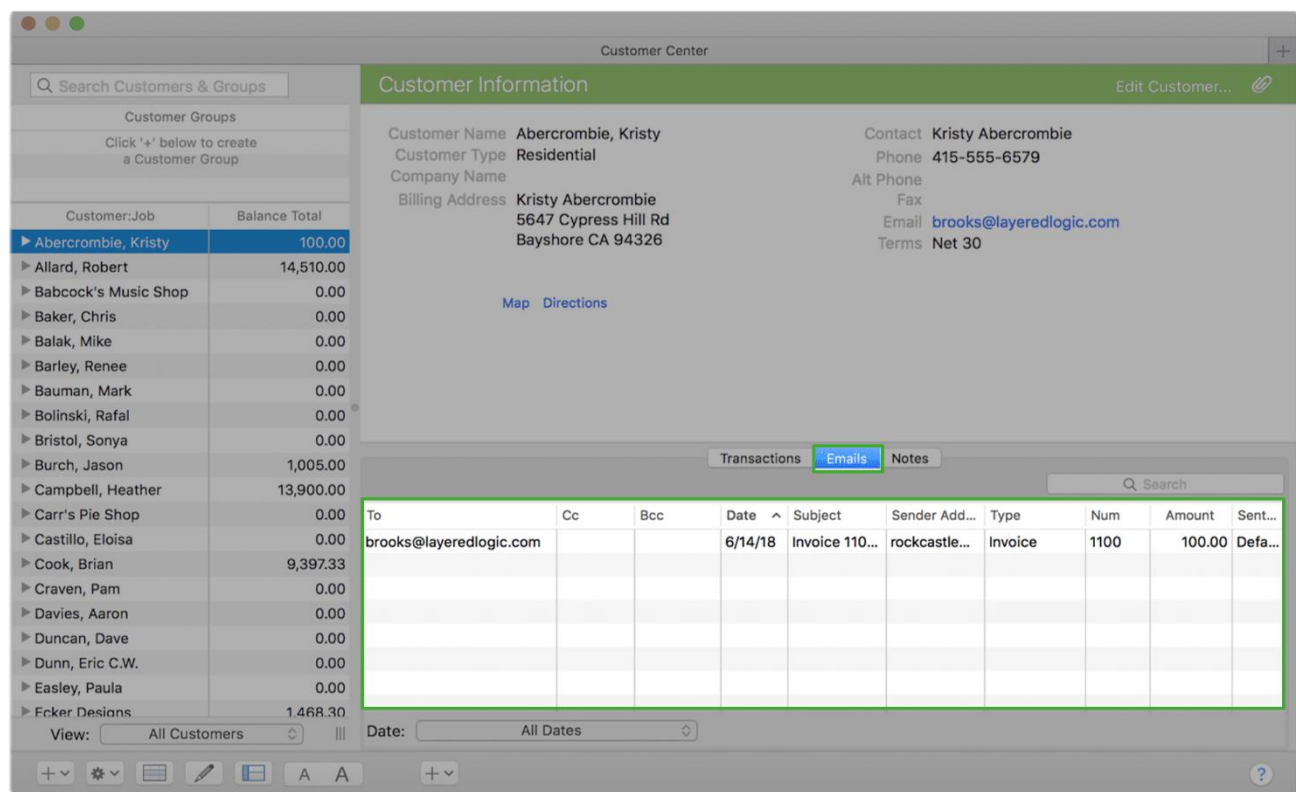
Using Square for processing credit card sales? We know how demanding it can be to manually enter your sales data. The newest QuickBooks® for Mac lets you import credit card sales as a CSV file from Square--no more entering transactions manually.

To import from Square, go to **File > Import > Transactions > Sales Receipts**. Then, select the Square icon on the top left.



Keep Track of Emails to Customers or Vendors in One Place

As your business grows, so does the pile of emails to vendors and customers. In QuickBooks® for Mac 2019, Customer and Vendor Centers include an Email tab, so your emails stay organized in one place. You can filter by date or use the search tool to find your important emails.



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