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CHECKLIST TO TURN SAP DEADLINES INTO OPPORTUNITIES

Key considerations for IT leaders to turn SAP's end-of-support dates into opportunities for savings and innovation.

Get ahead of the upcoming ECC and S/4HANA deadlines with this checklist to help you keep your options open, budget predictable and roadmap flexible.

Smarter decision-making for SAP — made easy

Use this checklist as a quick reference to guide your next steps so that you can navigate SAP support deadlines with confidence, make more deliberate decisions and uncover opportunities for impactful change.



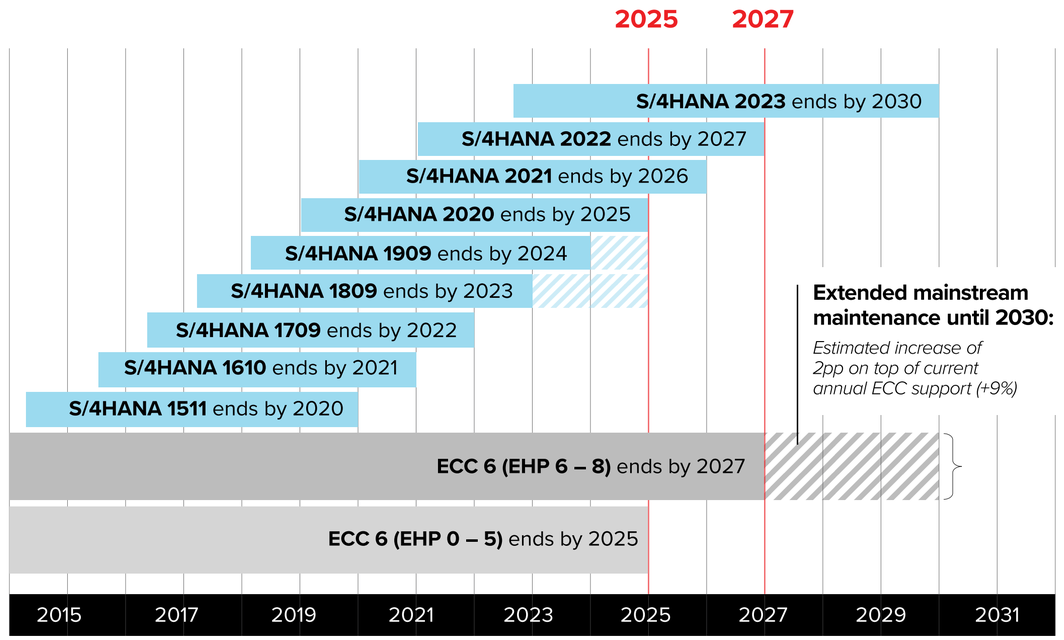
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Confirm end-of-maintenance dates for your SAP release

End-of-support dates for your SAP release may be coming sooner than you think. Vendors use these arbitrary end-of-support dates to force you into costly, disruptive migration decisions, but you can turn those deadlines into opportunities!

To do: Identify which SAP version you're currently running and map it against the SAP maintenance deadlines, so you can evaluate your options, align stakeholders and move forward strategically before choices narrow.

SAP ECC and S/4HANA maintenance deadlines



Understand all your SAP roadmap and support options

With your end-of-support dates in hand, it's now time to calmly weigh realistic paths forward — engaging your CEO, CFO and CIO counterparts to assess business impact and consider alternative support options like **Rimini Support™ for SAP**, which can replace vendor support at a reduced cost to extend the life and value of existing systems while preserving flexibility and control.

	SAP roadmap	Rimini Support™ for SAP
Support timelines	Deadlines imminent	15+ years of support
Migrations	Required	Not required
Cost	Annual support fees plus migrations	Savings on support fees and no migration costs
Innovation	SAP-specific, but primarily after migration	Available now, funded with savings
Risk	Migration disruption	Keep proven, customized releases

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of SAP customers using third-party support are achieving above-average performance

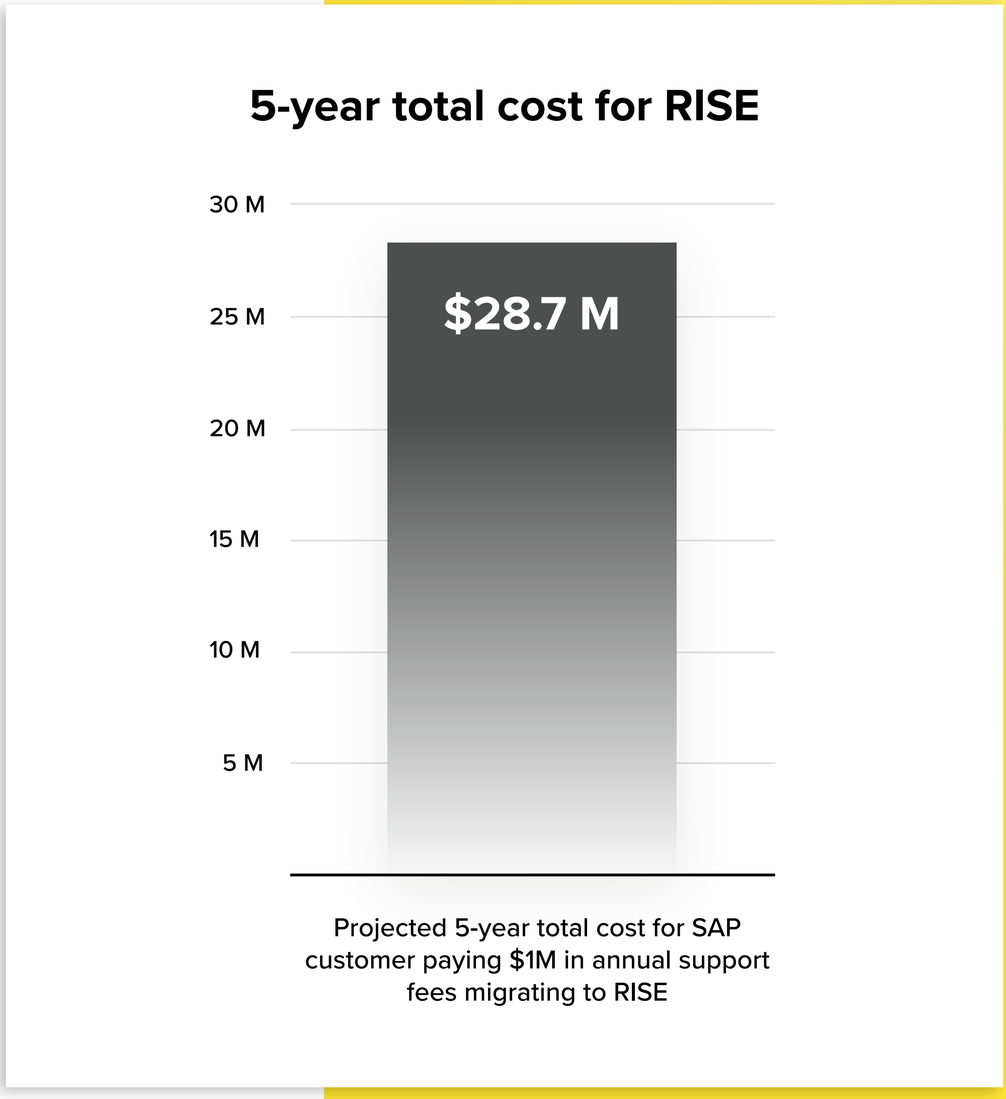
— Freeform Dynamics report

To do: Evaluate each roadmap against key risk, cost and business impact criteria — identifying what matters most to your board to determine the option that preserves optionality instead of introducing risk or long-term vendor lock-in.

Determine the ROI of an SAP migration

A move to SAP Cloud ERP via RISE typically means a new subscription agreement, bundled software, hardware and services and unpredictable cloud costs on top of the migration expense itself — all for an uncertain ROI. Many organizations are finding it difficult to identify sufficient value for the large investment and disruption required for a migration.

To do: Calculate the true ROI of an SAP migration by factoring in both visible and hidden costs — including disruption, retraining, integration work and long-term lock-in — then compare to actual value received to determine if a major replatforming effort is really worth the time, money and effort required.

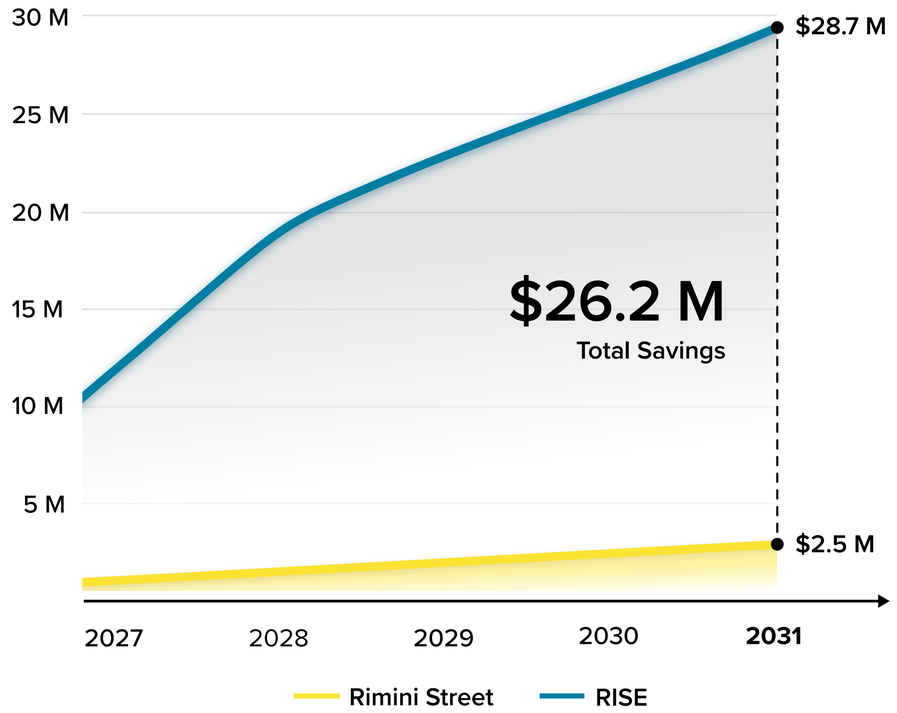


Calculate your potential savings with Rimini Support™ for SAP

With third-party support from Rimini Street, you can maintain your existing SAP systems while reducing annual support fees by up to 50% and TCO by up to 90% — freeing up budget to fund modernization and innovation on your terms! Rimini Support™ for SAP helps extend the life and value of your software for 15+ more years guaranteed, delivers full support for customizations and helps ensure compliance with ongoing tax, legal and regulatory updates.

To do: Use our calculator to get an estimate of your potential savings by switching to Rimini Street, so you can see how much budget you could reallocate to innovation and growth.

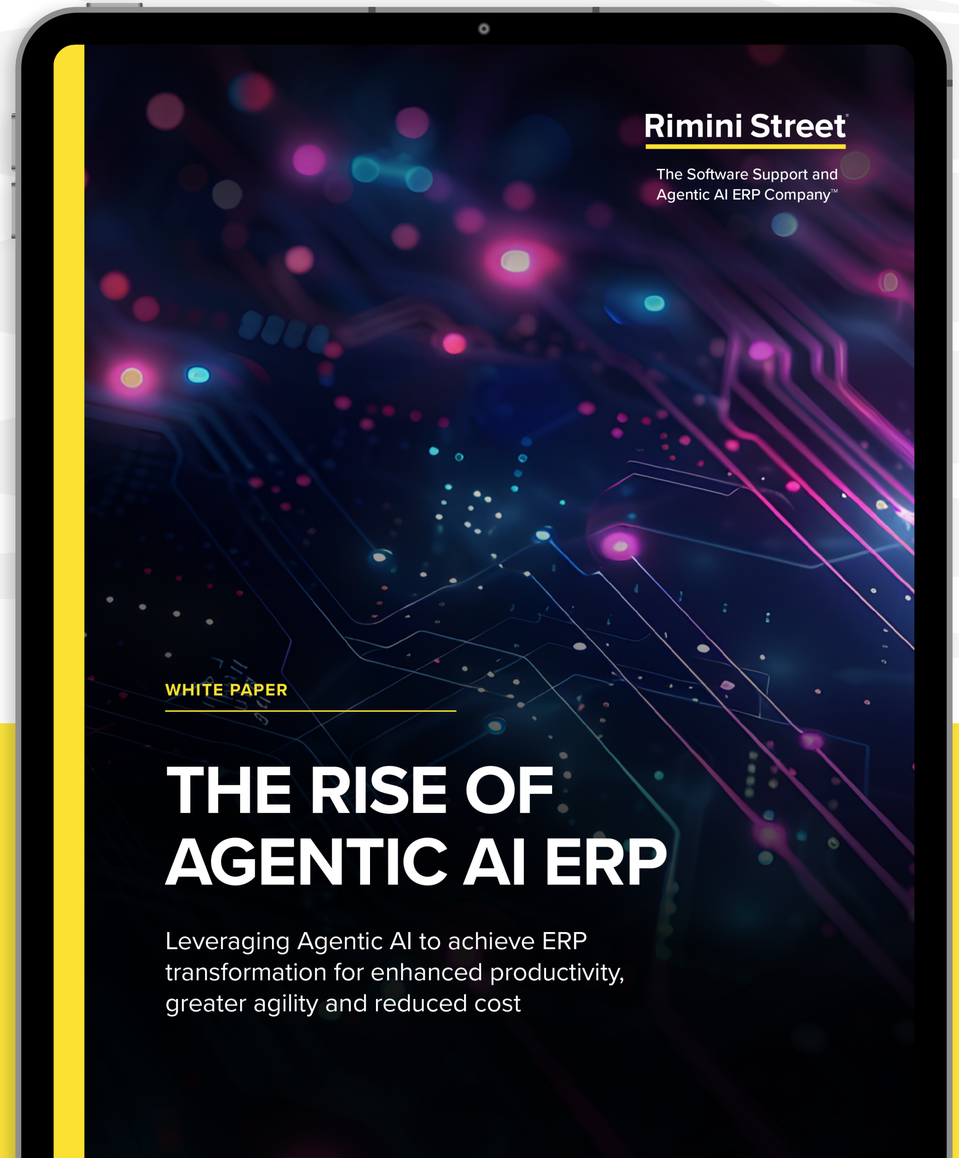
Cost projection analysis
5-year cumulative cost comparison



Assess Agentic AI timeline and impact

Agentic AI ERP is upending the traditional ERP model. It enables organizations to layer AI-driven automation and intelligence over the top of existing systems without requiring a major overhaul, transforming ERP from a linear, transactional system of record into a system of action. As you plan your SAP roadmap, it's important to factor in how long a migration could delay access to these capabilities and evaluate how quickly Agentic AI ERP can deliver measurable value in comparison.

To do: Explore the future of ERP in our white paper "The Rise of Agentic AI ERP" and apply the insights when assessing your SAP roadmap options.



Choose your own SAP roadmap

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