Data Sync Manager reduces data footprint for Associated Weavers

Associated Weavers used Client Sync™, part of the Data Sync Manager suite, to reduce time for data refreshes, cut data footprint and improve data quality

Carpet your life

Associated Weavers: A passion for flooring

Associated Weavers (AW), established in 1969, is now one of Europe's leading manufacturers of tufted wall-to-wall carpet. It is also making inroads in the luxury vinyl flooring market. With 630 employees, AW produces 26 million m^2 of carpet each year on average, achieving a turnover of around €172 million. AW has its headquarters in Belgium. It exports to over 55 countries and has built strong and lasting relationships with its partners worldwide.

Seeking a solution to refresh SAP test data

Associated Weavers had been using system copies to refresh the data in their non-production environments. They could only justify performing this time-consuming and labour-intensive data refresh once a year. The AW team was looking for a better solution:

- to carry out more frequent refreshes of SAP® test data

- to improve their data quality

- to be more flexible in their processes

- to reduce the data footprint in the non-production landscape

- to make use of time slicing or enterprise slicing

SAP test data refresh in 12 hours instead of one week

78% reduction in data footprint

Improved data quality

A refreshing idea

In 2019, Associated Weavers bought the EPI-USE Labs solution Client Sync™, part of the Data Sync Manager™ (DSM) suite, to allow them to copy data from the production environment to their QAS and DEV environments. Their SAP partner, Expertum, had recommended our DSM product as the best solution on the market. With access to DSM in their landscape, the AW-Expertum team can now refresh the non-production environments frequently and reduce the systems' footprint.

Data Sync Manager succeeds across the board

By using DSM, Associated Weavers has made significant time savings and reduced its data footprint:

- The SAP ECC production environment was previously about 1.4TB, but has been reduced to less than 300GB within 18 months, with an almost 80% reduction in the data footprint.
- A system refresh originally took around a week, but with Client Sync, a full refresh takes less than 12 hours.

More frequent refreshes and improved data quality in non-production

Starting every project fresh and consistent data

Improved data for projects leads to more successful projects

Freeing up more time for other activities

Reduced data footprint, saving on storage costs and improving sustainability

"Data Sync Manager offers us the capability to do a fast refresh of a system using a specific time slice without needing business analysts.

We now re-use same exports multiple times to refresh our development system, and to reduce our footprint we refresh the QA and Dev system with a time-slice of data.

The support we received during implementation has been very good.

We have seen a big improvement in the quality of our test data in QAS!"

IT Manager, Associated Weavers

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