SAS® Visual Analytics Add-In 8.6 for Office

Overview

SAS Visual Analytics Add-In for Office is a subset of the SAS Add-In for Microsoft Office product. It is a Microsoft Office add-in that enables you to open SAS Visual Analytics reports.

Basic Installation Requirements

Platform	Installation Space Required	Minimum Recommended RAM
Microsoft Windows	400 MB	2 GB
Microsoft Windows for x64	400 MB	2 GB

Supported Operating Systems

SAS Visual Analytics Add-In for Office is supported on the following platforms:

- Microsoft Windows 2025 Datacenter Edition and Standard Edition with Desktop Experience (64-bit versions) on the x64 chip family
- Microsoft Windows Server 2022 Datacenter with Desktop Experience, and Standard with Desktop Experience (64-bit versions) on the x64 chip family
- Microsoft Windows Server 2019 Datacenter with Desktop Experience, and Standard with Desktop Experience (64-bit versions) on the x64 chip family
- Microsoft Windows Server 2016 Datacenter with Desktop Experience, Essentials Edition, and Standard with Desktop Experience (64-bit versions) on the x64 chip family
- Microsoft Windows 11 – Pro, Enterprise, Home, and Education
- Microsoft Windows 10 – Pro, Enterprise, Home, and Education (both 32-bit and 64-bit versions, version 1607 or later)

Note: *For information about SAS supported operating systems, use the menus to see support information for SAS 9.4 on the following web page: SAS supported operating systems.*

Additional Software Requirements

SAS Visual Analytics Add-In for Office is available as either a 32-bit or a 64-bit application. If you are using 32-bit Microsoft Office, you must use the 32-bit version of SAS Visual Analytics Add-In for Office. If you are using 64-bit Microsoft Office, you must use the 64-bit version of SAS Visual Analytics Add-In for Office.

One of the following versions of Microsoft Office is required:

- Microsoft Office 2024 (64-bit)
- Microsoft 365 (32-bit or 64-bit) (Desktop installation only)
- Microsoft Office 2021 (64-bit)
- Microsoft Office 2019 (32-bit or 64-bit)
- Microsoft Office 2016 (32-bit or 64-bit)

With Microsoft Office 2024 or with Microsoft 365, SAS Visual Analytics Add-In for Office will not run in the new Outlook for Windows. Microsoft has reported that COM and VSTO add-ins are not supported in the new Outlook. You must use the classic Outlook instead.

SAS Visual Analytics Add-In for Office supports Microsoft Office desktop clients that are deployed from Microsoft 365 or on-premises deployment systems. Microsoft Office web applications that are browser-based are not supported.

Pre-Deployment Requirements Check

The SAS Deployment Wizard runs checks to ensure that a machine where you plan to install SAS Visual Analytics Add-In for Office meets the minimum system requirements. Space requirements vary, depending on the third-party components and the individual files on your machine that require an update.

The SAS Deployment Wizard will inform you of the components that do not meet the minimum system requirements before updating them. The SAS Deployment Wizard installs these components if you do not already have them installed on your system:

- Microsoft .NET Framework 4.8
- Microsoft Runtime Components 2022 (Microsoft Visual C++ 2015-2022 Redistributable)
- Microsoft Visual Studio Tools for Office 10.0

Note: *The SAS Deployment Wizard installs the Microsoft .NET Framework version that is listed here. However, SAS Add-In 8.x for Microsoft Office is also supported with a later version in the .NET 4.x family.*

If you are upgrading to SAS Visual Analytics Add-In 8.6 for Office from a version that predates SAS 9.4M7, you will need a new version of Integration Technologies Client. To upgrade this dependency, you must use SAS Deployment Wizard.

Additional Requirements for Compatibility

SAS Visual Analytics Add-In for Office provides access to SAS Visual Analytics 7.1 or later. This support requires DirectX11; DirectX9C is recommended for optimal performance.

With some releases of SAS Viya 4, SAS Visual Analytics Add-In for Office can open SAS Visual Analytics reports by using an additional SAS Visual Analytics profile. Only reports that were created on or before SAS Viya platform 2024.09 are supported. However, if you have a more recent version of SAS Viya 4, you can purchase and deploy SAS for Microsoft 365 and use it to access your SAS Visual Analytics reports within Microsoft Excel.