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Material Master

In this section you will learn about some of the basic features of the material master. The material master contains all the information on all materials in a company. This section provides an overview of the

- functions and use of the material master
- data structure in the material master

It contains the following topics:

Functions and Use of the Material Master

Data Structure of the Material Master

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Functions and Use of the Material Master

The material master contains all the information on all materials that a company procures, produces, stores, and sells. It is the company's central source for retrieving material data. The material master is used by all components in the SAP Logistics system.

The integration of all material data in a single data base object eliminates redundant data storage. Areas such as purchasing, inventory management, material requirements planning, invoice verification, and so on, can all use the same data.

The data in the material master is used to perform the following functions in the SAP Logistics system:

- in purchasing for purchase order processing
- in inventory management for goods movement postings and physical inventory management
- in invoice verification for posting invoices
- in sales for order processing
- in production planning and control for material requirements planning, scheduling, and work scheduling

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