Accelerating Essity's Digital Transformation

FORECAST PROCESS



Audience: Essity Suppliers



Direct Materials





Course Objectives

By the end of this course, you should be able to:

- Describe the Forecast Process flow and considerations
- 2 Search and identify Forecast Data
- 3 Identify key figures of Forecast Process
- Demonstrate how to submit a Forecast Commit





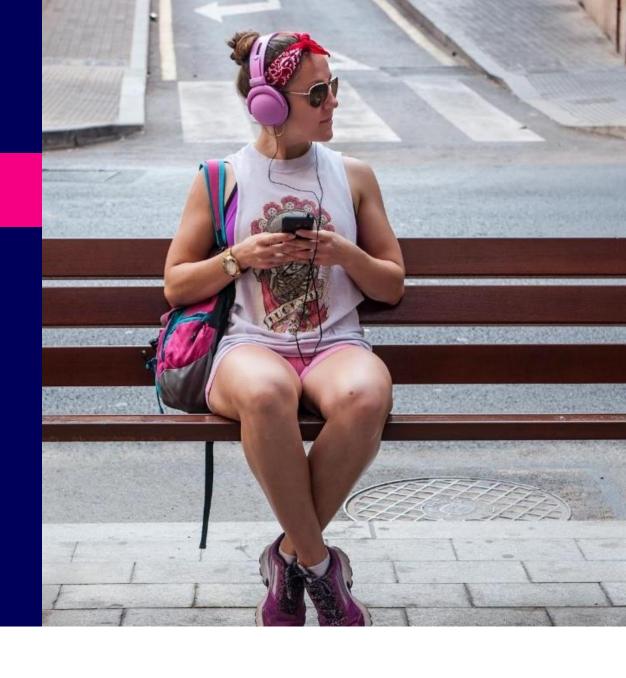
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Introduction

Forecast collaboration plays an essential role in ensuring that suppliers have the right information beforehand to plan their inventory so they can meet customer demand. Material Planners can share Forecasts and receive Forecast Commits for direct materials from their suppliers.

The Forecast Process features:

Sharing the forecast demand based on Requisitions to Suppliers in SAP Business Network

Daily, weekly, monthly, and yearly time-bucket views of forecast demand

The ability for suppliers to commit to forecast quantities based on their capacity and inventory



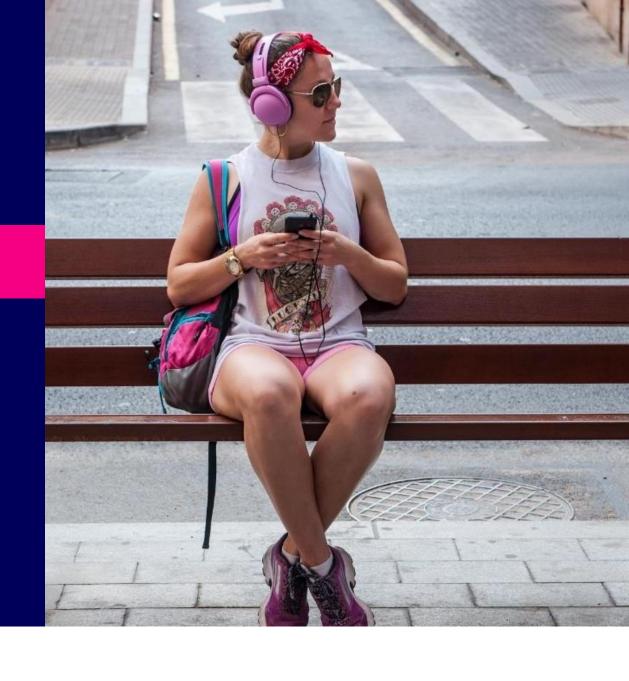
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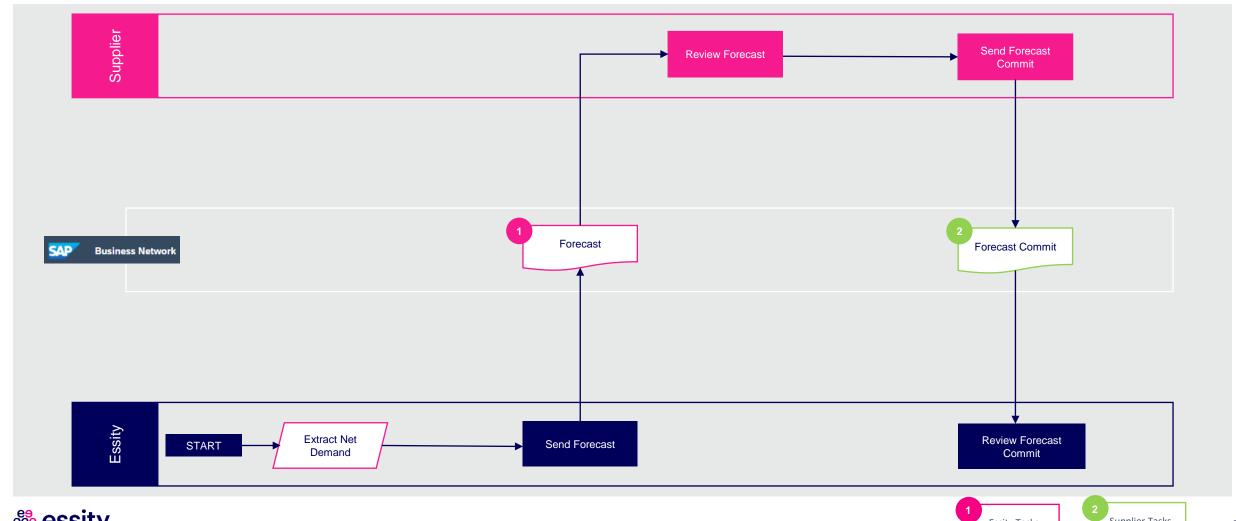
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Forecast Process Flow

Given below is the process flow for Forecast.





Other Considerations

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Forecast data will be shared for raw and packaging materials

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Forecast horizon will encompass 10 weeks for short-term horizon and 16 weeks for long-term horizon

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Forecast data will be shared weekly



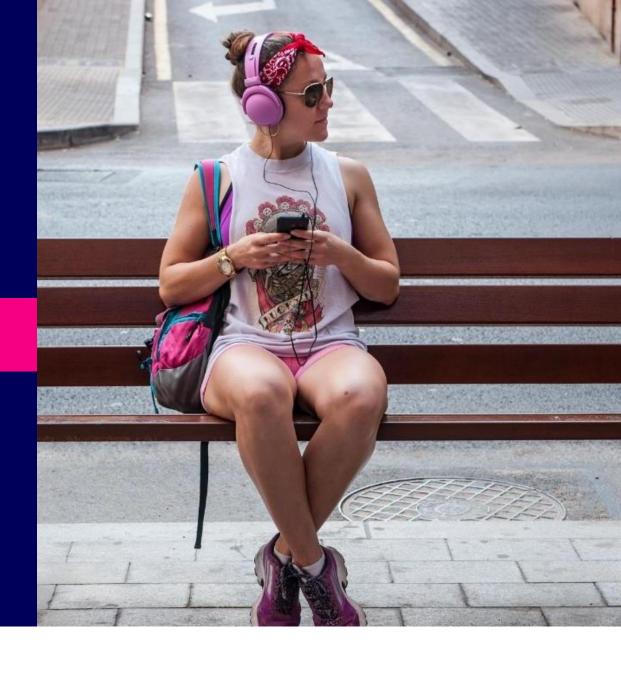
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Forecast Collaboration Process Flow

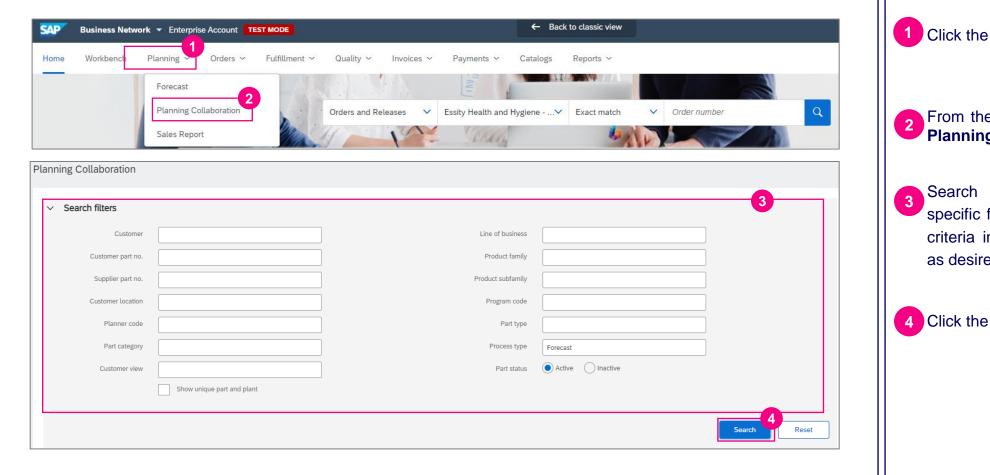
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Forecast Commits





Search and Identify Forecast



- 1 Click the **Planning** tab.
- From the dropdown list, select the Planning Collaboration option.
- Search filters allow to identify specific forecast. Enter the search criteria into any of the filter fields as desired.
- Click the **Search** button.

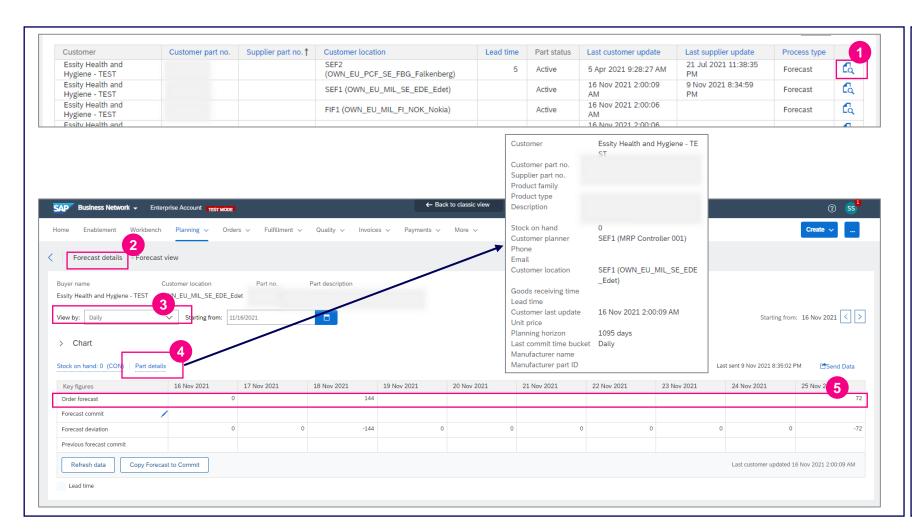


Search Filters Description

Field	Description	
Customer	Customer identification	
Customer Part Number	Customer's material number	
Supplier Part Number	Vendor's material number	
Customer Location	Customer Plant	
Planner Code	Customer planner identification	
Show Unique Part and Plant	Once checked, the result screen will show key figures for both supplier managed inventory and forecast data	
Part Category	Part Category as aligned with the customer	
Line of Business	Line of Business as aligned with the customer	
Product Family	Product Family as aligned with the customer	
Product Sub-Family	Product Sub-Family as aligned with the customer	
Program Code	Program Code of Business as aligned with the customer	
Part Type	Part Type as aligned with the customer	
Process Type	Specifies whether the part is using Replenishment Order for SMI (can be combined with Forecast)	
Part Status	Specifies if the part is active or inactive	



View Forecast Data



Once the filtering data were selected then you will be able to display the forecast data for assigned category.

- Click on this icon to display the details.
- View the forecast data for a material.
- Click the **View by** dropdown arrow to choose desired time series granularity to view the forecast in Daily, Monthly, Weekly, or Yearly time buckets.
- Review the details of the material by clicking the **Part Details** button.
- The **Order Forecast** key figure shows the quantity of the forecasted demand on the specified date.



Key Figures

Here are the key figures present in the forecast collaboration.

Key Figures	Description	Data Source
Order forecast	Displays the Forecast Quantity in the specified date view (daily, weekly, monthly, yearly)	Buyer standard
Forecast commit	Quantity committed to the customer	Supplier standard
Forecast deviation	Calculates the difference between forecast quantity vs the supplier's committed quantity Formula: Forecast commit – Order forecast	Network calculated
Previous forecast commit	If supplier changes the quantity commit. This will hold the previous value communicated.	Network standard



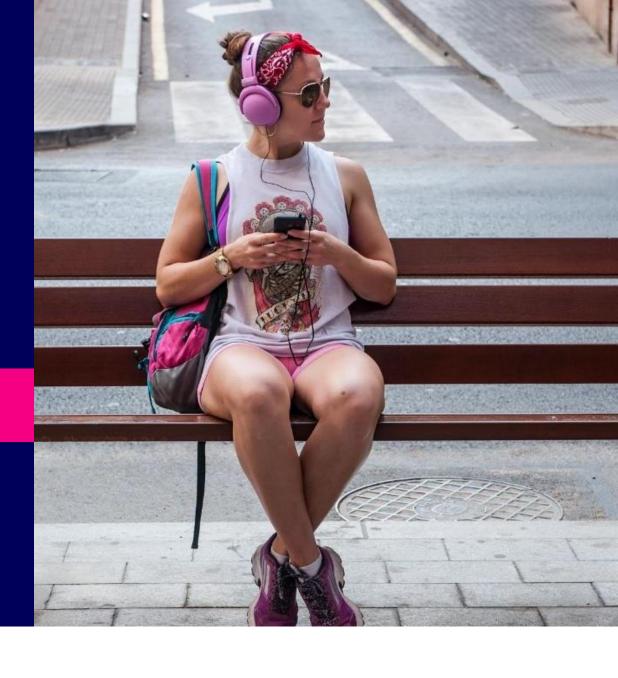
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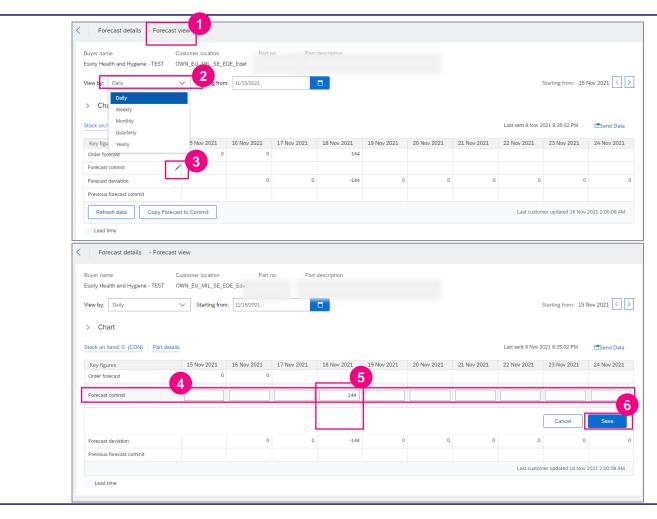
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4 Forecast Commit





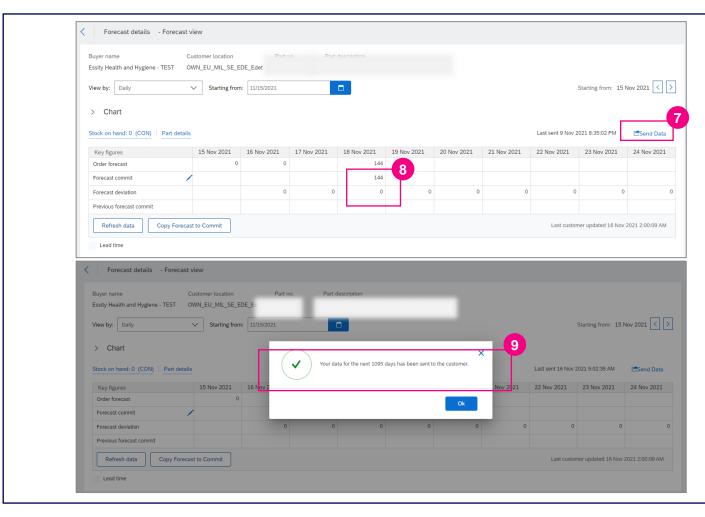
Forecast Commit (1/2)



- 1 View the forecast data for a material.
- Click the **View by** dropdown arrow to choose the desired time series granularity to see the forecast in Daily, Monthly, Weekly, or Yearly view.
- Click the pencil icon in the Forecast Commit.
- 4 Entries can now be entered in the Forecast Commit row.
- Enter the committed quantity for the specified period.
- 6 Click the Save button.



Forecast Commit (2/2)



- 7 Entry on the Forecast Commit has been saved and the Forecast Deviation key figure shows the difference between the forecast quantity vs supplier committed quantity.
- 8 Click the **Send Data** link to submit the forecast commits to Essity.
- 9 The forecast commit for the next 1,095 days is submitted.



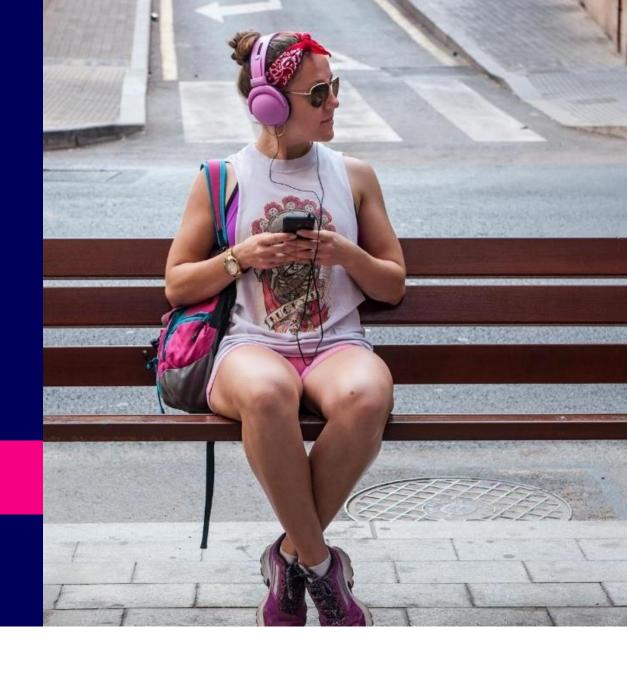
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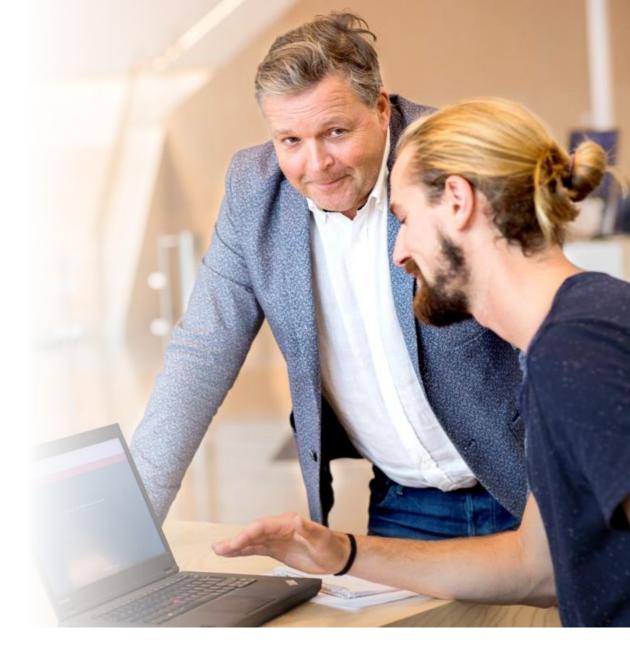
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Course Summary

The key points to remember from this course are:

- Forecast Process plays an essential role in ensuring that suppliers have the right information beforehand to plan their inventory so they can meet customer demand.
- Forecast Data, Forecast Commit and Forecast deviation are the key figures in Forecast Process.





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