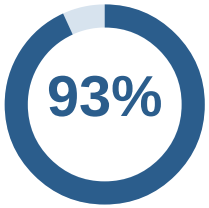
Most of what the big three do. A fraction of the price. Nothing to install.

Coverage of 76 scheduling features, counted from the vendors' own documentation. PC.o is in beta.



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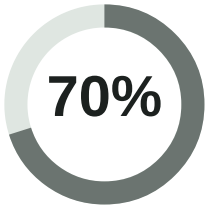

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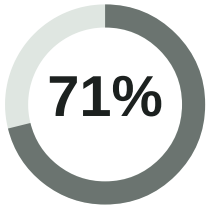

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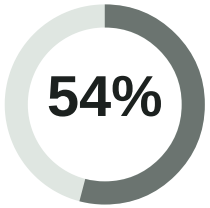

Smartsheet

A full feature counts one, a partial or paid add-on a half. Switch between the two on screen, with a dry run and a change log.

	PC.o Scheduler	Microsoft Project	Primavera P6	Smartsheet
A full seat	$10 / month + Basic	$30 / month	Thousands	$12 + add-ons
Field updaters	Up to 500 free, no licence	A licence each	A licence each	Free by email
Install	None · Mac, Windows, iPad	Windows app	Windows app	None
Opens	XER · MPP · XML · Excel schedules and look-aheads	MPP · XML · Excel	XER · XML · Excel	MPP · Excel
First schedule	Minutes	An afternoon	Days	Minutes
Scheduling engine	Two: Standard (similar to Project) or Advanced (similar to P6) · Simple or Full mode	One: Project's own	One: P6's own	Its own, basic
Quality analysis	Built in	Add-ins	Add-ins	None

Similar to P6 or to Microsoft Project

Two engines in one tool: pick Advanced or Standard per schedule.

Switch on screen

Move a schedule from one engine to the other, with a dry run and a change log.

Field updates, no licences

Anyone answers from a phone link; the answers feed the engine after review.

Analysis in the same place

Quality analysis, Word report, comparison and freshness live in the editor.

Baselines you can open

A baseline is a real stored schedule: open it, compare it, print it.

Cash flow with curves

Early and late envelope, the baseline S-curve, standard and custom spread curves.

Vendor columns from public documentation and pricing, October 2026; they may change. Page 2 lists every feature.

Every feature, side by side

● has it ◖ partial or a paid add-on · not offered

	PC.o	Project	P6	Smartsheet
What only PC.o does				
Two scheduling engines in one tool	●	·	·	·
Converts a schedule between the two engines on screen, quickly	●	·	·	·
Scheduling engine				
Critical path method, forward and backward pass, total and free float	●	●	●	◖
Relationship types FS, SS, FF, SF with positive and negative lag	●	●	●	●
Data date and progress rules	●	◖	●	·
Constraints	●	●	●	·
Must finish by driving negative float	●	◖	●	·
Longest path and multiple critical paths	●	◖	●	·
Activity types	●	◖	●	◖
Calendars per activity with shifts, exceptions and partial days; an…	●	●	●	◖
Suspend and resume, or splits	●	●	●	·
Manual and inactive tasks	●	●	·	◖
Auto schedule or schedule on demand (F9)	●	●	●	●
Resource-driven durations and resource calendars	·	●	●	·
Editing and the sheet				
Four ways in	●	◖	·	◖
Spreadsheet feel	●	●	◖	●
Copy and paste to and from Excel as a table; paste a list of activities	●	●	◖	●
Typed durations and dates (3w, 10d, mon, +3d, 12/1)	●	●	◖	●
Undo and redo	●	●	◖	●
Structure edits: indent, outdent, move rows, insert a fragnet	●	●	●	●
Drag bars with the rules explained in a toast	●	◖	◖	◖
Links typed by shorthand (A1020FS+2d) or by name	●	●	◖	●
A Simple mode for field people	●	◖	·	◖
Activity details as a floating window or a bottom pane, with a toggle	●	●	●	◖
Save your own defaults for new schedules	●	●	●	●
Phone and tablet editing	●	◖	◖	●
Gantt, views and printing				
Gantt with logic lines, critical and longest-path colouring, data date line	●	●	●	●
Baseline bars under the current bars	●	●	●	◖
Non-working time shading per activity calendar, exceptions drawn	●	●	●	◖
Search, filters	●	●	●	●
Activity codes with descriptions and tiers, and typed custom fields, kept…	●	●	●	◖
Grouping by activity codes or custom fields	●	●	●	◖
Column chooser with computed	●	●	●	●
Light and dark theme	●	◖	·	·
Print to PDF with fit to width, header and footer, optional row numbers	●	●	●	●
Three-week look-ahead view	●	◖	◖	◖

	PC.o	Project	P6	Smartsheet
Costs, resources, earned value, cash flow				
Resource dictionary with dated rates; assignments with budgeted, actual…	●	●	●	◖
Cost roll-up to WBS and project, EAC, cost variance	●	●	●	◖
Earned value from a baseline: BCWS, BCWP, SPI, CPI, SV, CV, VAC, TCPI	●	●	●	·
Cash flow by week, month, quarter or year	●	●	●	◖
Early versus late cash flow envelope with the baseline S-curve inside it	●	◖	●	·
Spread curves	●	●	●	·
Max units per resource, overallocation marks, a resource usage histogram	●	●	●	◖
Resource levelling	·	●	●	·
Headline strip	●	◖	◖	◖
Baselines, analysis and comparison				
Baselines by reference	●	●	●	◖
Schedule quality analysis	●	·	◖	·
What moved after a reschedule	●	◖	·	◖
Compare two updates (dates, logic, critical set)	●	◖	●	◖
Analysis freshness	●	·	·	·
Back to the last analysed revision in one step	●	◖	◖	◖
Trends across updates and a project dashboard	·	◖	●	●
Updates from the field				
Send update requests to people with no licence; they answer from a phone link	●	·	◖	●
Field answers carry schedule logic	●	◖	●	·
Review before applying, who has answered, cycle history, reminders	●	◖	◖	◖
Pricing of field updaters	●	·	·	●
Import, export and files				
Open XER and P6 XML	●	·	●	·
Open MPP and Project XML	●	●	◖	◖
Export XER and P6 XML, with a conversion log	●	·	●	·
Export Microsoft Project XML (Project opens it) or .mpp	●	●	◖	·
Open an Excel schedule or look-ahead and edit it as a schedule	●	◖	◖	●
Excel export, PDF print	●	●	●	●
A portable file of our own (.pcosched) with the model as the record	●	●	●	·
Collaboration and sharing				
Autosave with recovery after a closed window	●	◖	◖	●
Who is editing	●	◖	●	●
Several people editing the same schedule at once	·	◖	●	●
Read-only share links	●	◖	◖	●
Pop-out window per schedule, the Files page stays put	●	●	●	◖
Group seats managed by the account manager	●	●	●	●
Dashboards, forms and automations	·	◖	◖	●
Platform, access and pricing				
Runs in a browser on Mac, Windows and iPad, nothing to install	●	◖	◖	●
Price for a full scheduler seat	●	◖	◖	◖
Free trial that includes the scheduler	●	◖	·	◖
Schedules stay readable after the subscription ends	●	◖	◖	◖
Short chaptered how-to videos inside the product	●	●	●	●
Beta label with Send feedback	●	·	·	·

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