

Backups with third-party software

If you are using third-party backup software, develop a backup plan to safeguard your data and minimize down time in the event of an emergency.

Schedule

With third-party software, you can choose how frequently backups occur and at what time.

When scheduling your backup, review the following considerations:

- A daily backup is the best way to ensure that you have the most up-to-date data in the event of an emergency.

Data to back up

With third-party software, use the following table to determine the Prinerger data that must be backed up onto media in order to recover your system:

Location of data	Essential
Database	• The BACKUP_DESTINATION folder on the primary server • The ZIP_FILES_DESTINATION folder on the primary server
Prinerger and secondary servers	• Drive that holds Prinerger system files Important: You must exclude the following folders from all backups, or the backup will negatively affect the Oracle database and may result in lost production. For systems with a single C: partition scheme, exclude the following folders: ○ C:\oracle\oradata ○ J:\oracle\oradata If you have any questions, contact your service representative. • Windows system state • Folder that contains the major update uninstall files (usually C:\PrinergerUpdates) • Windows system state

Tertiary servers and file servers	You do not have to back up these servers, because: • The data is not required for system recovery. • The backups will take a long time, which taxes your system unnecessarily and reduces productivity. • The backups will consume significant media space, which increases the risk of running out of media during a backup. • Job data should be archived, rather than included in backups. If you want to back up your jobs, you may be able to use Windows Backup or other third-party software for a separate backup operation. You are responsible for configuring and maintaining this software and associated backups.
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Where to back up

If your third-party software backs up to disk, you must perform one of the following subsequent steps:

- Save the backup file to media.
- If your company has a corporate backup strategy, make the Prinergy backup file available on a server so that it is backed up as part of that strategy.