How do I address screen scaling issues?

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SYSPRO 8 and DPI Settings

SYSPRO 8 works correctly and as expected with modern Windows operating systems.

However, various versions of Windows server and client operating systems have different settings which determine how objects are displayed, especially when you choose to change your display settings to anything other than the default options.

Factors that affect how SYSPRO is displayed include:

- Scale and layout settings (accessible from your computer's display settings)
- **Resolution** settings (accessible from your computer's display settings)
- Your actual hardware (monitor) and drivers that you use

Using Avanti

If you elect to use the Avanti interface, which is SYSPRO's web-based interface, none of these factors cause any adverse display issues, as all the screens scale exactly as expected.

Using the classic SYSPRO interface

If you choose to use the classic SYSPRO interface, you may experience some of the issues discussed below. These factors are usually only an issue when, for example, you have a large, high resolution monitor you would like to use to demonstrate SYSPRO.

100% SCALE

If you select 100% as the scale for your text and apps:

SYSPRO will display as expected and successive windows will display as expected when you log in and run other programs.

For example, you will see this when you log in:

| SYSPRO | | _ | | × |
|---------------------|----------------------|----------|-----------|------------|
| 10 1 | | | | \bigcirc |
| SYSPRO'8 | | | | \bigcirc |
| User name | | | | |
| ADMIN | | | | \sim |
| ADMIN - SYSPRO Admi | nistrator | | | |
| Password | | | | |
| | | | | |
| Company | | | | |
| EDU1 | | | \sim | Q |
| Company password | | | | |
| | Login | | | |
| Forgot password? | View users | | Exit SYSP | RO |
| Program protected | l as described in He | lp About | SYSPRO | |

125% SCALE

If you select 125% as the scale for your text and apps:

Depending on your settings or hardware and drivers, this may or may not affect how SYSPRO is displayed.

At most, you might see this type of behavior in programs which are run before the main menu in SYSPRO is loaded.

For example, when adding a new company from the login screen:

| 🖬 Add Company Wiza | rd | × |
|---|---|---|
| | Add Company | |
| | Setup will now take you through adding a new company. | |
| SYSPRO [®] | Any setting made here can be changed later using the Setup Options available from the SYSPRO 8 main menu. | |
| | | |
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| | < <u>B</u> ack <u>N</u> ext > <u>C</u> ancel | |

Note: We are changing several of these screens to allow for slightly higher display options, so this shouldn't be an issue going forward.

150% SCALE OR HIGHER

If you select 150% or higher as the scale for your text and apps:

You might have more serious display issues.

As an example, with the scaling set as 150%:

| 🔁 Add Compa | ny Wizard X |
|--|--|
| SYSPRO'8 | Each company is associated with a unique company identifier. Company: |
| | You can copy an existing company's settings or choose a set of default settings. Based on existing cou |
| www.syspro.com e: 2017 Syspro All Bights Reserved. | SYSPRO uses a separate database for each company: Database Nan Collation Nan |
| | < Back Next > Cancel |

Another example with the scaling set as 170%:

| Open License Import File | | × |
|--|--|---|
| Look in: WORK crm_EDU1 license.sav notes vbscripts | 332 23 | |
| File name Files of type:'L document files (*.xml) | ✓ Ope✓ Cano | |

OTHER DISPLAY ISSUES

Once you log in to SYSPRO, most of the display issues won't be apparent, but any screen with radio buttons will have these buttons overlapping each other.

Examples at 150%:

| Pricing | |
|------------------|---------------------|
| Pricing catego | A |
| Pricing metho | Ouantity discount |
| List price | 0.00000 |
| List price basis | Stocking unit of me |
| Commission co | |
| Currency | \$ - Local Currency |
| List price code | A |
| Minimum % ał | 0.00 |

MPS item Non-MPS item Statistical item I - Forecasts only 100

POSSIBLE REMEDY

There are some options you can try to overcome these issues.

For example, in Server 2012, the following option often provides some relief:

SYSPRO shortcut properties -> Compatibility tab

1. Check the option **Disable display scaling on high DPI settings** – see below:

| General | Shortcut | Compatibility | Security | Details | Previous Version |
|----------|-------------|--------------------------------------|--------------|------------|-------------------|
| | montout | e e p aubinty | coounty | Dotails | 11011003 4013101 |
| | | 't working corr atibility trouble | | is versior | n of Windows, try |
| Runo | ompatibi | lity troubleshoo | oter | | |
| How do | choose | compatibility se | ettings ma | nually? | |
| Compa | tibility mo | de | | | |
| Ru | n this pro | gram in compa | atibility mo | de for: | |
| Windo | ws XP (S | ervice Pack 3) | | \sim | |
| | | | | | |
| Setting | s | | | | |
| Re | duced co | lor mode | | | |
| 8-bit (2 | 256) colo | r N | 1 | | |
| Ru | n in 640 x | 480 screen re | solution | | |
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| Privileg | | | | | |
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| | inge setti | ngs for all use | rs | | |
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Unfortunately, due the number of different Windows operating systems combined with even higher numbers of hardware/driver combinations; we are unable to give any precise recommendations regarding exactly what options you should choose to maximize your SYSPRO experience.

For further reading, we recommend the following articles:

- https://support.microsoft.com/en-gb/help/3025083/windows-scaling-issues-for-high-dpidevices
- https://support.microsoft.com/en-za/help/2900023/some-desktop-applications-mayappear-blurred-on-high-dpi-displays

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