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Getting Started

Quick tips to get you
up and running

- Create and manage invoices
- Track expenses
- See how you're doing

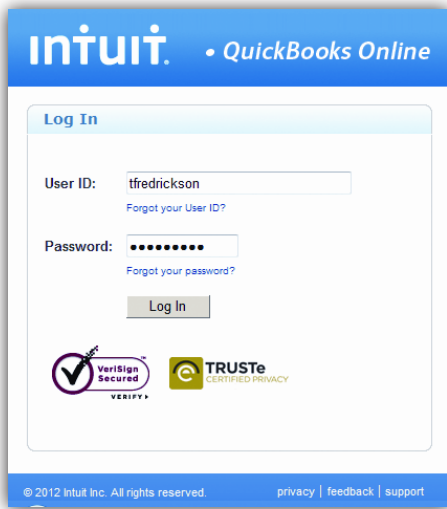
QuickBooks
Online

See inside to learn how you can
get the most out of QuickBooks Online

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Get started easily



Sign in from anywhere, anytime

Go to go.qbo.intuit.com and simply enter your user ID and password to securely sign in to your account.

Access your account from any PC or Mac with an Internet connection whether you're at home, in the office, or at a client's site. It works on Internet Explorer, FireFox, Chrome for Mac and Windows, and Safari for Mac.*

TIP! Add go.qbo.intuit.com to your browser bookmarks for faster access.

Stay organised with all your finances in one place

Your homepage puts all of your key tasks and information at your fingertips.

Action items appear in your To Do List right away

Get to work quickly with just a click

See your recent transactions at a glance

* QuickBooks Online requires a computer with either Microsoft Windows (XP, Vista, or Windows 7) or Mac OS 10.5 or later, an Internet connection (high-speed connection recommended), and at least Microsoft Internet Explorer 8, FireFox 4, Chrome, Safari 4.1.1 for Mac, or Safari 5.0.1 for Mac or Windows. Works on iPhone and Android OS. Mobile devices sold separately. Data plan required. Not all features are available on mobile versions of QuickBooks Online.

Create and manage invoices



Create an Invoice

Easily create invoices and track payments

From your homepage, click “Create an Invoice” to create your own professional-looking invoices.

QuickBooks Online makes tracking payments easier than ever—with reports and the Customer Centre.

TIP! Use QuickBooks Online to automatically email invoices—with faster delivery you get paid faster.

Add your logo for a custom look

DATE	INVOICE NO.
25/05/2012	827
TERMS	DUE DATE
Net 30	25/06/2012

AMOUNT DUE	ENCLOSED
\$742.50	

Service	Activity	Quantity	Rate	GST	Amount
Sample Service	Sample Activity	2	225.00	10%	450.00
Sample Service	Sample Activity	1	225.00	10%	225.00
GST @ 10%					
SUBTOTAL					\$675.00
GST TOTAL					\$67.50
TOTAL					\$742.50

See terms, due dates and invoice details clearly organised

GST and deposits are instantly calculated for you

Customise the details of your invoice based on your business

Every invoice is automatically tracked, so you know who owes money and who has paid



You can import your entire customer list automatically from:

- Microsoft Excel
- Microsoft Outlook
- Gmail
- Yahoo! Mail

Importing customers who use a foreign currency?

We recommend you turn on multicurrency **before** you create or import your customers. See Page 9.

Note: Multicurrency is available only in QuickBooks Online Essentials and QuickBooks Online Plus.

Create and manage invoices

Create an invoice in a few easy steps

1. Select the **customer** you'd like to invoice. If it's your first customer, you'll be guided step by step.
2. Choose your payment **terms**. This is the date you'd like to be paid. The default is net 30 days.
3. Enter the **product or service** you're selling (e.g., design services).
4. Enter a **description** of the service or product for your customer (e.g., Graphic design for Jane's website).
5. Enter the **rate/unit price** or how much you've charged the customer.
6. Choose an **income account** which categorises your receivables (the money coming in to your business).

TIP: You can import your entire Products and Services list from Microsoft Excel.

Customise your invoices to fit your business

You can easily customise our standard invoices to fit your business needs. Want to add discounts, show quantities, or automatically include GST on your invoices? No problem.

Just click the "customise" button on your invoice screen and discover how you can tailor the invoices to meet your specific needs.

Customise

Click "Customise" on the invoice form to tailor our standard invoices.

Add your logo for a professional look

Adding a logo is easy and it makes a standard invoice look even more professional.

To add your logo, go to the **Customers** menu and select **Customise Printed Forms**.



Give your invoices a professional touch by adding your logo.

Track expenses



Know where you're spending money

QuickBooks Online will keep track of each cheque, credit card transaction, and cash purchase so you can understand where your money is going.

With everything in one place, you'll be able to access all past payments for each supplier with just a few clicks. If you have Essentials or Plus, you can access bills for each supplier too.

TIP! You can easily customise the account categories to track what's important to your business.

Entering your first expenses

For your first expense, QuickBooks Online will guide you through setting up your accounts (transaction, credit cards and cash).

You'll enter a balance for the date you want to start tracking your business. This date could be when you started your business, the first day of the year, or any other day you choose.

The screenshot shows the 'New Expense' form in QuickBooks Online. The form is titled 'Bank Account: Transaction' and 'Balance: \$30,000.00'. It includes fields for 'Cheque No.' (320), 'Date' (15/10/2012), and 'Amount' (500.00). The 'Pay to the Order of' field is set to 'Cathy Quon'. Below this is the address: 'Cathy Quon, Quon Books, 45 Hobart St, Sydney, NSW 1234 AU'. The 'Memo' field contains '2012 Tax Prep'. At the bottom, there is a table with columns 'No.', 'Account', 'Amount', and 'Description'. The first row shows '1' in the 'No.' column, 'Legal & Professional Fees' in the 'Account' column, '500.00' in the 'Amount' column, and an empty 'Description' column. A dropdown menu is open under the 'Account' column, showing a list of expense categories: 'Legal & Professional Fees - Expense', 'Meals and Entertainment - Expense', 'Office Expenses - Expense', 'Promotional - Expense', 'Rent or Lease - Expense', 'Repair & Maintenance - Expense', 'Stationery & Printing - Expense', 'Supplies - Expense', and 'Taxes & Licences - Expense'. Five numbered callouts point to specific parts of the form: 1. 'Choose the account for recording the expense' points to the 'Bank Account' dropdown. 2. 'Enter the purchase date' points to the 'Date' field. 3. 'Enter the purchase amount' points to the 'Amount' field. 4. 'Select the name of the supplier' points to the 'Pay to the Order of' dropdown. 5. 'Choose an account to categorise the expense or money out' points to the 'Account' dropdown menu.

- 1 Choose the account for recording the expense
- 2 Enter the purchase date
- 3 Enter the purchase amount
- 4 Select the name of the supplier
- 5 Choose an account to categorise the expense or money out

Manage customers



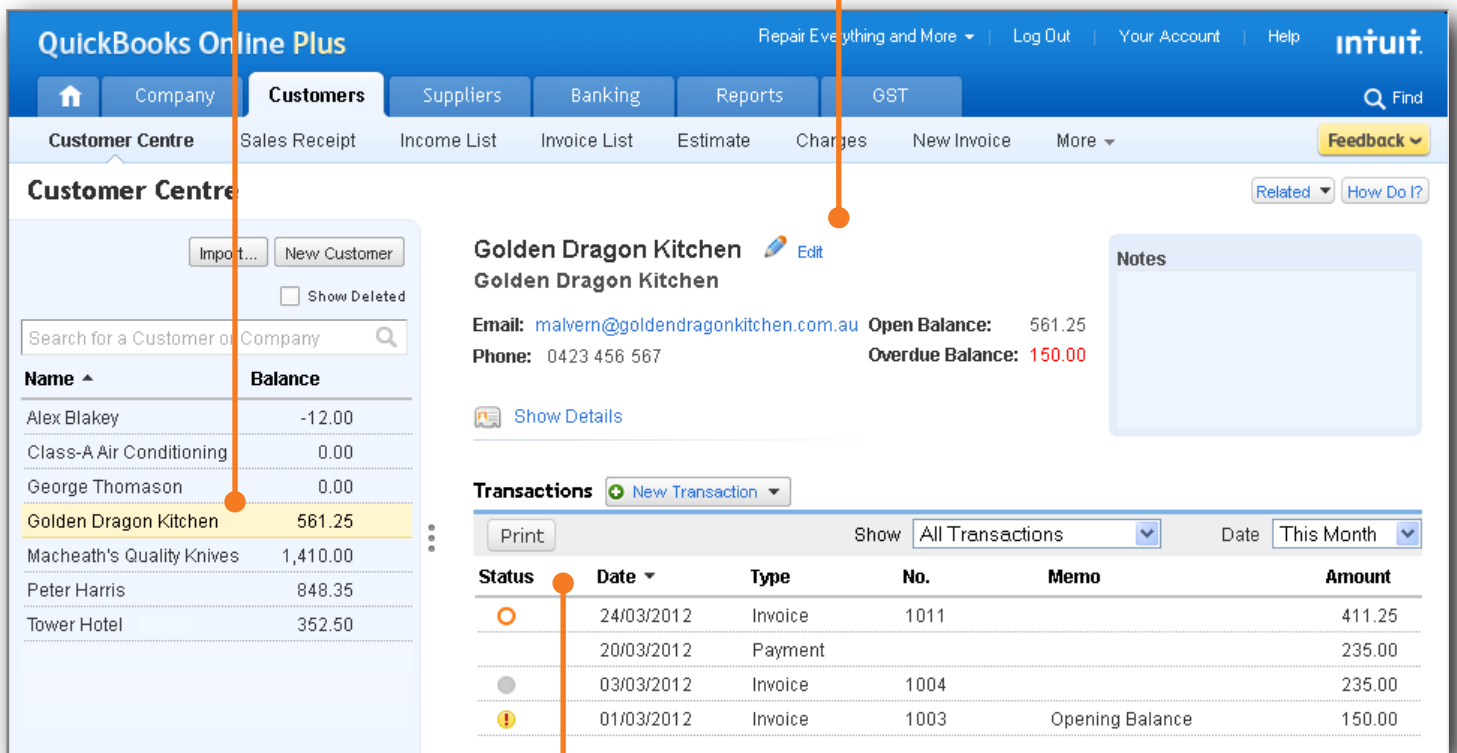
See all the details in one spot

The Customer Centre makes it easy to see all of your customer details in one organised screen. See contact information, open invoices, and paid transactions at a glance.

TIP! Use the Notes box to enter any special instructions for each customer.

Select a customer to see a complete profile

Instantly see contact information for each customer



The screenshot shows the QuickBooks Online Plus interface. The 'Customers' menu is selected, and the 'Customer Centre' for 'Golden Dragon Kitchen' is displayed. The interface includes a search bar, a list of customers with their balances, and a detailed view of the selected customer's contact information and transactions.

Name	Balance
Alex Blakey	-12.00
Class-A Air Conditioning	0.00
George Thomason	0.00
Golden Dragon Kitchen	561.25
Macheath's Quality Knives	1,410.00
Peter Harris	848.35
Tower Hotel	352.50

Golden Dragon Kitchen
Golden Dragon Kitchen
Email: malvern@goldendragonkitchen.com.au Open Balance: 561.25
Phone: 0423 456 567 Overdue Balance: 150.00

Transactions

Status	Date	Type	No.	Memo	Amount
○	24/03/2012	Invoice	1011		411.25
	20/03/2012	Payment			235.00
●	03/03/2012	Invoice	1004		235.00
!	01/03/2012	Invoice	1003	Opening Balance	150.00

See open invoices and payments — click on any transaction to show the complete details

Manage your bank accounts



Staying on top of the details

The bank registers in QuickBooks Online make it much easier to manage your bank account.

Enter a cheque and the register is updated—automatically. Accept a payment on an invoice... and the register is updated. It's that easy.

TIP! Looking for a specific transaction? Click "Customise" to sort through transactions in seconds.

See your cheques, payments, and transactions all in one spot

Write custom memos or notes on individual transactions

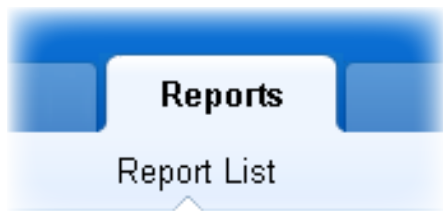
The screenshot shows the "Bank Register" interface in QuickBooks Online. At the top, there are tabs for "Cheque Expense", "Credit Card Expense", "Cash/Other Expense", "Deposits", "Registers", "Transfers", "Reconcile", and "More". The "Registers" tab is active. Below the tabs, there's a "Bank Register" header with a "Current" dropdown and buttons for "Find in Register", "Related Reports", and "How Do I?". A "Customise..." button is on the left, and "Showing all transactions sorted by date" is in the middle. On the right, there's a "Go to Date:" field with a calendar icon and a "Go" button. The main table has columns: "Date", "Ref No.", "Payee", "Payment", "Deposit", "Tax", and "Balance". The "Payee" column is further divided into "Type" and "Account". The "Memo" column is also present. The "Balance" column has an upward arrow icon. The table shows three transactions: a deposit on 15/09/2010, a cheque on 27/09/2010, and another cheque on 27/09/2010. At the bottom right, the "Ending Balance" is 30,164.50. A "Customise Register" dialog box is open in the foreground, with "Sort by: Date" and "Show: All Transactions" selected. The dialog has "OK" and "Cancel" buttons. A "Reconcile" button is visible at the bottom left of the register view.

Date	Ref No.	Payee	Payment	Deposit	Tax	Balance
Type	Account	Memo				Location
15/09/2010		Opening Balance Equity		R 30,000.00		30,000.00
27/09/2010	87	Telephone Company	35.50		-Split-	29,964.50
27/09/2010		-Split- Phone bill		200.00		30,164.50

Quickly find specific transactions by sorting the register

QuickBooks Online keeps a running total—no math needed

See how you're doing with instant reports



Be ready at tax time

Gain insights into your business with the pre-designed, customisable business reports.

QuickBooks Online organises all the information you enter into easy-to-understand reports. You could save hours getting ready for tax returns with all your information in one place. Even better, your subscription includes free access for your accountant to make tax time easier.

TIP! One click on report totals lets you drill down to see the detail behind the numbers.

View instant, pre-designed reports with your information in one click

Memorise reports to have them automatically available for any given date range

Run reports for any date range including custom dates

Report

Print... Tips Email... Excel... Memorise...
Customise... Collapse

Transaction Date: This Year-to-date From: 01/01/2012 To: 16/10/2012 Run Report

Repair Everything and More Profit & Loss

January 1 - October 16, 2012

	Total
Income	
Sales	4,304.73
Total Income	\$4,304.73
Gross Profit	\$4,304.73
Expenses	
Utilities	35.50
Total Expenses	\$35.50
Net Operating Income	\$4,269.23
Net Income	\$4,269.23

Saturday, Oct 16, 2012 11:35:05 AM GMT+8 - Accrual Basis

Click on any amount to see the detail behind the number

Manage and track GST

Keep track of the GST you pay and collect

If you collect GST, QuickBooks Online helps automate your GST tracking so you can keep accurate records about the GST you collect from customers and pay to suppliers.

To manage your GST details, go to the **GST** menu and click **GST Centre** List.

If this is your first time using GST with this company, click the **Set up GST** button to configure GST-related information. You can track GST using either an accrual or a cash accounting scheme.

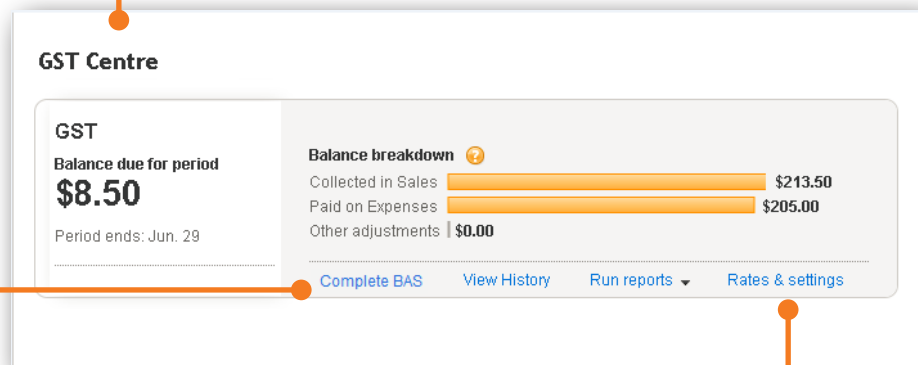


Amount	GST Which?
100.00	<input type="text" value="GST free"/>
	<input type="text" value="Input tax"/>
	<input type="text" value="GST free exports"/>
	<input type="text" value="GST"/>

After you turn on GST tracking, you can select the appropriate GST codes for each product and service in forms like invoices or bills.

You can return to the GST Centre at any time to view a snapshot of your GST history and complete your BAS.

Click **Complete BAS** to prepare your BAS for lodgment quickly and easily.



GST Centre

GST
Balance due for period
\$8.50
Period ends: Jun. 29

Balance breakdown ⓘ

Collected in Sales	\$213.50
Paid on Expenses	\$205.00
Other adjustments	\$0.00

[Complete BAS](#) [View History](#) [Run reports](#) [Rates & settings](#)

Click **Rates & settings** to update your GST agency details and view information on GST codes and rates.

Work in multiple currencies

Track invoices and bills in foreign currencies

With the QuickBooks Online multicurrency feature, you can track transactions in more than one currency!

To turn on multicurrency:

1. From the **Company** tab, select **Currency Centre**.
2. Click **Set up currencies**.

You can assign a currency to new customers, new suppliers, and new bank, credit card, receivables, and payables accounts. (Things you've already added will continue to use your home currency.) Other account types, like income and expense accounts, always use your home currency.

IMPORTANT! Multicurrency affects many accounts and balances in your company file. Once you've turned on multicurrency, you cannot turn it off. Also, after you assign a currency to something (like customers and accounts), you cannot change it.

Want to import customers or suppliers who use a foreign currency?

We recommend you turn on multicurrency **before** you create or import your customers and suppliers. Any you add before turning on multicurrency will use your home currency, which can't change.

TIP! When importing customers or suppliers from Outlook or Excel, QuickBooks highlights any whose Country does not match your home currency.

You can choose a different foreign currency for these customers before accepting the import.

QuickBooks downloads new exchange rates hourly.

The screenshot displays the 'Currency Centre' page in QuickBooks Online Plus. At the top, there are navigation tabs for 'Company', 'Customers', 'Suppliers', 'Banking', 'Reports', and 'GST'. Below these are sub-tabs for 'Chart of Accounts', 'Recurring Transactions', 'Preferences', 'Activity Log', 'Budgets', and 'Currency Centre'. The main content area is titled 'Currency Centre' and contains a section for 'Currency & Exchange Rates'. This section includes a table with the following data:

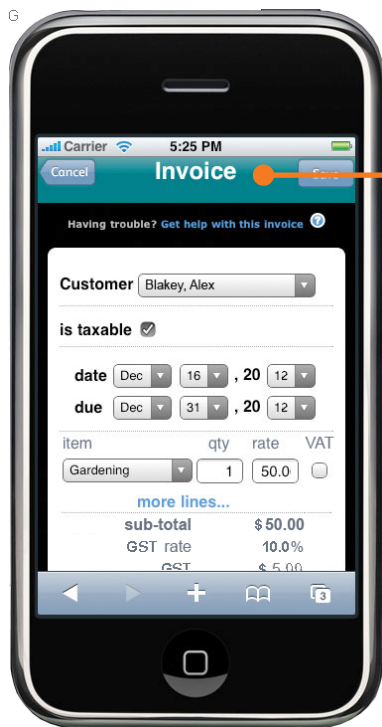
Currency	Rate	Last Updated
AUD Australian Dollar - Home Currency	1.00	
GBP British Pound Sterling	2.054683	6/7/2012 10:34:50
CAD Canadian Dollar	0.954734	6/7/2012 10:37:22
EUR Euro	1.534657	6/7/2012 10:36:22
USD	0.534452	6/7/2012 10:35:15

A dropdown menu is open for the EUR row, showing the following options: Edit Currency, View Historical Rates, Home Currency Adjustment, and Delete Currency. An 'Add New' button is located in the top right corner of the table area.

Add new currencies at the click of a button.

Click a foreign currency for a list of possible actions. You can manually edit the exchange rate, view historical rates to see what the currency was worth on a previous date, and more.

Go mobile



Send an invoice

iPhone™ and Android access

No matter where you are, you're never far from the data you need to run your business. Our mobile feature adds one-touch access to your iPhone™ and Android devices so you can see and track your receivables, bank balances, customer contact information and more.*

You can:

- Send an invoice
- Check who owes you money
- Track bank balances, customer contact info
- and more!

TIP! Open your mobile device's browser and sign in to QuickBooks Online just as you would from a desktop computer.

Get more from QuickBooks Online

Give your accountant or colleague access—for free

QuickBooks Online makes it easy to work with your accountant or connect with your partner in another state. You can add your accountant as a user for no extra charge.

Here's how to add your accountant:

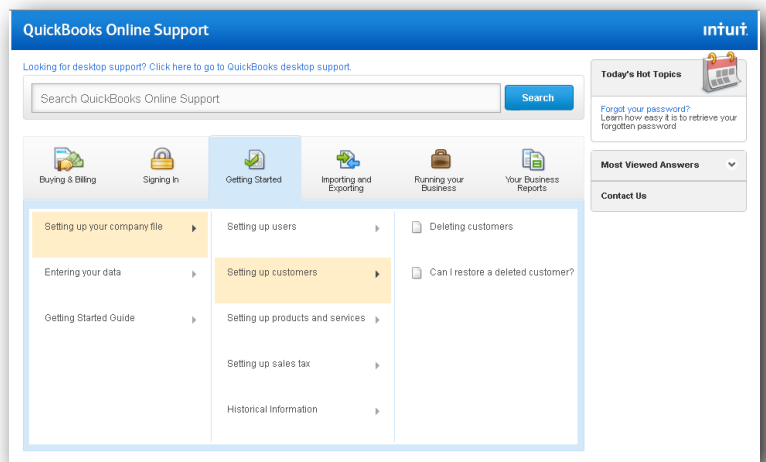
1. From the **Company** tab, select **Manage Users**.
2. Click **New** to add your accountant or business partner.

Save time by giving your accountant access. There's no need to gather papers and compile year-end reports when everything is in one spot.

We're here for you every step of the way

With all the step-by-step help built in to QuickBooks Online, you may not need any help. But if you do, we've got you covered.

- **How Do I?**—From any screen in the product, click the **How Do I?** button in the top right corner and get targeted help for the task at hand.
- **Support Site**—From any screen, click the **Help** link at the top of the page to go to our support site. You can search our Frequently Asked Questions, or ask a question in our Live Community.
- **Contact us**—Still need help? Call our support consultants. It's free! Go to our support site for details.



Getting help is easy with QuickBooks Online