



Allbirds refreshes their SAP clients and anonymizes their data

EPI-USE Labs completed a Refresh-as-a-Service in 24 hours for Allbirds, and provided a fully functional Sandbox environment; resulting in minimized consumption of space and memory in Allbirds' Development system.





“ The ability to refresh our lower environment data has been a pain point for some time.

Jon Kula, Senior Director of Technology, Allbirds

About Allbirds

Allbirds is a footwear brand that specializes in making sustainable sneakers and casual shoes. It is based in San Francisco. The company was established in 2016 and has been progressive in producing footwear inspired by natural materials. Allbirds takes a sustainable approach when sourcing their materials, with a long-term goal of eliminating their carbon footprint.

The Challenge

Allbirds needed to establish an additional SAP Sandbox environment on their SAP Development server to optimize the use of AWS platform resources. The solution would involve creating a new SAP client on the Development server and making a full copy from the Production server. The new client would then serve as the Sandbox environment. This needed to be done without impacting production performance or over-utilizing the limited space and memory of the Development system.

The Solution

EPI-USE offered Refresh-as-a-Service (RaaS) with the use of their specialized SAP data transfer product suite, Data Sync Manager™ (DSM). This service enables the copying or refreshing of SAP clients with a subset of Production data, while anonymizing the data for nonproduction use. The entire process was completed at Allbirds within 24 hours.

When creating the new client on the Development server, Allbirds chose to copy all master data, and only the last 18 months of transactional Production data. This provided a fully functional Sandbox environment, while minimizing the consumption of space and memory in the Development client. This process can be repeated in the future to refresh data, and can also be extended to refreshing data on any of the non-production servers.



The Challenge



Limited space and memory
available on the Development
HANA database



Using the standard SAP tools
(SCC9) would **negatively affect**
performance on the **Production**
environment



Time was required to export and
import the full Production copy



The Solution



Refresh-as-a-Service
completed in 24 hours



Data anonymized for
non-production use



Fully functional Sandbox
environment provided



Consumption of space
and **memory** in
Development client
minimized



In addition to a smooth and easy refresh, I also appreciated the flexibility of EPI-USE in coming up with a right-sized solution that meets the need and scale of our business.

Jon Kula, Senior Director of Technology, Allbirds

Benefits

In a timely manner, Allbirds was provided with a fully-functional Sandbox environment that meets their needs while efficiently using their existing server resources.



Installed and configured
Data Sync Manager



Performed an 18-month
time-slice export of the
Production system



Completed the new
Development client build
for use as a Sandbox



Built the Sandbox system
without increasing
database server resources

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