

# General Information

This chapter provides general information about Adabas 8.

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## Availability

Adabas 8 is scheduled to be available in the second or third quarter of 2006.

## Compatibility

Adabas 8 is fully compatible with currently supported versions of Adabas.

## Documentation

The documentation for this release is distributed entirely in HTML and PDF formats. This is a departure from previous versions of Adabas in that no hard copy documentation is provided for any mainframe Adabas documentation.

The Adabas documentation has been completely updated to reflect Adabas Version 8 technical updates. For a complete list of the enhancements and other aspects of this release, read *Adabas 8.1.1 Release Notes*.