

SimaPro 9 Update: Quick Version

There are two ways to update SimaPro from SimaPro 8.5 to SimaPro 9: the quick way (which leaves your old projects unchanged) and the full way (which updates your old projects). This one-pager shows the quick way. The larger update manual shows the full way ([UpdateManual](#)).

The quick way involves starting a fresh SimaPro 9 database for your new projects (which will be Ecoinvent 3.5). Your old database remains unchanged (it will still be Ecoinvent 3.4). The advantage of this approach is that your old projects will show the same results as before. In contrast, the full update changes projects to use Ecoinvent 3.5 (their results will change). If you prefer to update your old projects to Ecoinvent 3.5, you should use the full update method. You should be aware that it takes several hours. The instructions for the full update are here: [UpdateManual](#). Alternatively, if you are happy to leave your old projects in Ecoinvent 3.4 (which is often preferable, because you do not want your completed projects to change), you simply need to update your SimaPro software, as outlined below:

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You could install a fresh SimaPro 9 installation on a different computer (if so, download SimaPro from here: [SimaProNewInstall](#)), but assuming you want to update SimaPro on a computer that has SimaPro 8.5 on it, follow these steps:

1. Download the SimaPro installation file [SimaProUpdate](#).
2. Double-click SetupSimaPro900.exe to start the installation. Follow the on-screen instructions. You may be asked for your SimaPro registration name and code. Your old SimaPro 8.5 software will be uninstalled and replaced with SimaPro 9. Your database will NOT be uninstalled. Your database will be at this location: C:\Users\Public\Documents\SimaPro\Database\. You need to rename that folder to something other than Database – such as DatabaseOld.
3. At this point, you have the SimaPro 9 software, but not yet the SimaPro 9 database. Install a fresh SimaPro 9 database (which includes Ecoinvent 3.5 etc) by downloading it from here and installing it: [SimaPro9Database](#)
4. If you have a single-user version of SimaPro, you have completed everything. You only need to do these next steps if you are updating a MULTI-USER networked installation of SimaPro:
 - a) On the server, install updated database server software: download the server installation file [SetupServer900.exe](#) to the machine running the SimaPro database server. Double-click SetupServer900.exe to start the installation. Follow the on-screen instructions. You may be asked for your SimaPro registration name and code. The current SimaPro database server software will be uninstalled and replaced with the latest version. Your database will NOT be uninstalled.
 - b) If you have a multi-user commercial licence (Analyst or Developer), install the SimaPro 9 software on each user's computer by repeating steps 1 and 2 on each computer. You do not need to install the database on each client, just the SimaPro software. (The multi-user academic version, Classroom, does not require this.)

Now you have SimaPro 9. You will use the newly-installed SimaPro 9 database (called Professional) for your new projects. This has Ecoinvent 3.5 in it. Your old projects remain in your old database. You can see your old database by pressing Browse when you open a database in SimaPro. When you next open your old database, a conversion process will be performed so that it is readable in SimaPro 9. This can take ten minutes or so. It will not change your projects or results (it will still be an Ecoinvent 3.4 database).

If anything in this document does not work for you, go to:

<https://support.simapro.com/articles/Article/SimaPro-Installation/>

Or refer to the larger update manual ([UpdateManual](#)) or contact SimaPro support.