Windows Server 2022 and Office 2021 in SPLA

New Prices Effective January 1, 2022

Windows Server 2022

Windows Server 2022, the next Long-Term Servicing Channel (LTSC) release, enables customers to run existing and new business critical applications with confidence on Azure, on-premises and multi-cloud environments. It was made generally available in August 2021 and made available in SPLA starting September 2021.

Windows Server 2022 introduces advanced multi-layer security, hybrid capabilities with Azure and a flexible application platform. As part of this general availability, we are bringing secured-core capabilities to Windows Server to secure systems that would run workloads on Windows Server 2022. Secured-core server builds on technologies such as Windows Defender System Guard and Virtualization-based Security to minimize risk from firmware vulnerabilities and advanced malware. The new release also provides secured connectivity introducing several new capabilities such as faster and more secure encrypted HTTPS connections, industry standard SMB AES 256 encryption and more. Windows Server 2022 improves hybrid server management with significantly improved VM management, an enhanced event viewer, and many more new capabilities in Windows Admin Center. Furthermore, this release includes significant improvements to Windows container, such as smaller image size for faster download, simplified network policy implementation and containerization tools for .NET applications.

To learn please refer to Resources and FAQ below.

Additional Resources

- Windows Server on Partner Central
- Windows Server 2022 Public Preview Blog
- Windows Server 2022 on Eval Center
- Windows Server Learning Paths

FAQ – Windows Server 2022

Q. When will Windows Server 2022 be generally available in SPLA?

Windows Server 2022 was generally available in second half of August 2021 and was available in SPLA starting September 2021.

Q. How much will Window Server 2022 cost?

The Service Provider License Agreement (SPLA) program will see price changes similar to price changes in commercial licensing:

- Windows Server Standard Edition prices will increase 10%.
- Windows Server Datacenter Edition prices will increase 10%.
- Windows Server is also available in SPLA as part of CIS suites. Prices for CIS Standard will increase by 5% and for CIS Datacenter by 7%.

New prices in SPLA will be effective January 1, 2022.

Q. Are there any changes to licensing model for Windows Server 2022?

There are no changes to the licensing model for Windows Server 2022 Standard and Datacenter Editions.

Q. How can customers get Windows Server 2022?

Windows Sever is available from the [Volume Licensing Service Center](#).

Q: What are the new Remote Desktop Services (RDS) capabilities in Windows Server 2022?

We have expanded our high availability support to the RDS licensing server, allowing customers to deploy multiple licensing servers for additional resiliency. Furthermore, since the launch of Windows Server 2019, we have also introduced a number of new capabilities in web-client and RDS fundamentals.

Customers using RDS have been able to take advantage of improved experience for 4K and ultra-wide monitors and enhanced accessibility with improved screen reader compatibility. Furthermore, customers have seen improvements in resource management. For example,

Users can open resources via web-browser or by downloading .rdp to manage using another client. Finally, RDS supports offline use on internal networks.

In addition, improvements to the RDS protocol bring improvements to remote content streaming. An improved display driver model for multisession VMs, and improvements to the protocol's use of hardware, will mean better graphics performance and reliability for some users.

Q. How much will RDS SALs for Windows Server 2022 Cost?

RDS SAL prices will increase by 10%. New prices will be effective January 1, 2022.

Office LTSC

Office LTSC (Long-Term Service Channel), the next version of Office perpetual release is now available in SPLA. To learn more about Office LTSC, please visit the [Office LTSC overview page](#).

For information about the new features in Office LTSC, see the following articles:

- [What's new in Office LTSC 2021](#)
- [What's new in Access LTSC 2021](#)
- [What's new in Excel LTSC 2021](#)
- [What's new in Outlook LTSC 2021](#)
- [What's new in PowerPoint LTSC 2021](#)
- [What's new in Visio Professional LTSC 2021](#)
- [What's new in Word LTSC 2021](#)

FAQ – Office LTSC

Q. How much will Office LTSC cost?

The Service Provider License Agreement (SPLA) program will see price changes similar to price changes in commercial licensing:

- Office Professional Plus prices will increase 10%.
- Office Standard prices will increase 10%.

New prices will be effective January 1, 2022.

Q. Are there other price changes for Microsoft technologies related to Windows Server 2022 and Office LTSC?

Below is the full list of price changes to Microsoft technologies related to Windows Server 2022 and Office LTSC as available in SPLA.

Changes are applicable worldwide, across commercial corporate and academic prices.

Product Family	Description	Price Increase
Win Rmt Dsktp Svcs SAL	WinRmtDsktpSrvcsSAL ALNG LicSAPk MVL	**10%**
Windows Rights Mgmt Services CAL	WinRghtsMgmtSrvcsCAL ALNG LicSAPk MVL SAL	**10%**
Windows Server DC Core	WinSvrDCCore ALNG LicSAPk MVL 2Lic CoreLic	**10%**
Windows Server STD CORE	WinSvrSTDCore ALNG LicSAPk MVL 2Lic CoreLic	**10%**
Core Infrastructure Svr Ste DC Core	CISSteDCCore ALNG LicSAPk MVL 2Lic CoreLic	**7%**
Core Infra Svr Ste Std Core	CISSteStdCore ALNG LicSAPk MVL 2Lic CoreLic	**5%**
Office Professional Plus	OfficeProPlus ALNG LicSAPk MVL SAL	**10%**
Office Standard	OfficeStd ALNG LicSAPk MVL SAL	**10%**
Office Multi Language Pack	OfficeMultiLangPk ALNG LicSAPk MVL SAL	**10%**
Project Professional	PrjctPro ALNG LicSAPk MVL SAL w1PrjctSvrSAL	**10%**
Project Server	PrjctSvr ALNG LicSAPk MVL SAL	**10%**
Project Standard	Prjct Std ALNG LicSAPk MVL SAL	**10%**
Visio Professional	VisioPro ALNG LicSAPk MVL SAL	**10%**
Visio Standard	VisioStd ALNG LicSAPk MVL SAL	**10%**
Visual Studio Enterprise	VSEnt ALNG LicSAPk MVL SAL	**10%**
Visual Studio Professional	Visual Studio Professional ALng LSA SAL	**10%**
Visual Studio Test Professional	VSTstPro ALNG LicSAPk MVL SAL	**10%**