

Server OS and Hypervisor Technologies

Server	6/30/2023													
	Operating System (OS)	OS Version	Release	Current Classification	N, N-2	General Availability	Projected	Approved	Direct Plan	Direct Execution	Prohibited	Vendor End of Support	Reference	Notes
x86 or equivalent	Microsoft Windows Server (R2)	2025		Projected			9/1/2024							Microsoft typically follows a 10 year lifecycle for support, first 5 years mainstream, years 6 thru 10 extended, security patching does occur in both mainstream and extended, roadmap allows for 1 year between GA and EOL availability, new releases occur 3+ or 5 years apart, 2012 is Prohibited because it is N-2 or older
		2022		Approved	N	9/1/2021	9/1/2022	9/1/2023	9/1/2024	9/1/2025	9/1/2027	10/14/2031	<a href="https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/lifecycle/products/windows-server-2022">https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/lifecycle/products/windows-server-2022</a>	
		2019		Approved	N-1	11/13/2018	11/13/2019	9/1/2023	9/1/2024	9/1/2025	10/13/2028		<a href="https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/lifecycle/search?tag=win-server%2Dserver%2D2019">https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/lifecycle/search?tag=win-server%2Dserver%2D2019</a>	
		2016		Direct Plan	N-2	10/12/2016	9/1/2019	9/1/2022	9/1/2023	9/1/2024	1/12/2027		<a href="https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/lifecycle/search?tag=win-server%2Dserver%2D2016">https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/lifecycle/search?tag=win-server%2Dserver%2D2016</a>	
		2012		Prohibited		11/15/2011					10/10/2019	10/10/2018	<a href="https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/lifecycle/search?tag=win-server%2Dserver%2D2012">https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/lifecycle/search?tag=win-server%2Dserver%2D2012</a>	
		Other		End of Support										
Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL)	9.x	9.10		Projected			5/1/2027					5/1/2032	<a href="https://access.redhat.com/support/policy/updates/errata">https://access.redhat.com/support/policy/updates/errata</a> <a href="https://access.redhat.com/articles/3078">https://access.redhat.com/articles/3078</a> <a href="https://access.redhat.com/support/policy/updates/errata/Maintenance_Support_2_Phase">https://access.redhat.com/support/policy/updates/errata/Maintenance_Support_2_Phase</a>	There are currently three supported branches for RHEL (9.x, 8.x and 7.x). Red Hat is following a 6 month minor release schedule. Extended Update Support does provide security patches. The initial full support is 6 months and the extended is an additional 18 months when available. The x.x.x releases has a longer support period. X.0 and X.1, X.3, X.5 and X.7 are short support releases and they are skipped because support is only 6 months.
		9.9		Skipped			11/1/2025							Rules: Approved = GA + 6 months, Prohibited = EOL - 3 months, Direct = Prohibited - 3 months, Note X.x.x are different, Prohibited = EOL - 6 months, Direct = is based on when 2nd approved release of next branch becomes n-2
		9.8		Projected			5/1/2026							
		9.7		Skipped			11/1/2023							
		9.6		Projected			11/1/2024							
		9.5		Skipped			11/1/2024							
		9.4		Projected			11/1/2024							
		9.3		Skipped			11/1/2023							
		9.2		Emerging		5/1/2022	11/20/2022	11/18/2024	2/28/2025	5/13/2025				
		9.1		Approved		11/15/2021	5/18/2022							
		9.0		Skipped			5/18/2022							
		8.x	8.10	Projected			11/1/2024	11/1/2024	Projected			9/13/2029		
		8.9		Skipped			11/1/2023							
		8.8		Emerging		5/16/2024	11/15/2024	11/18/2024	2/28/2025	5/13/2025				
		8.7		Skipped		11/10/2022								
		8.6		Approved	N	5/10/2022	11/20/2022	11/18/2023	2/28/2024	5/13/2024				
		8.5		Skipped		11/10/2021								
		8.4		End of Support		11/10/2020	11/18/2020	11/18/2022	2/28/2023	5/18/2023				
		8.3		End of Support		4/18/2020								
		8.2		End of Support		11/10/2019								
		8.1		Skipped		11/10/2018								
		8.0		Skipped		5/7/2018								
		7.x	7.9	Direct Plan	N-5	9/20/2020	3/20/2021	11/18/2022	11/1/2023	6/18/2024				
		7.8		End of Support		9/11/2020	9/10/2020	9/10/2021	9/10/2021	9/10/2021				
		7.7		End of Support		8/6/2019		8/6/2020	2/28/2021	8/10/2021				
		7.6		End of Support		10/30/2018		10/1/2019	1/2/2020	10/11/2020				
		7.5		End of Support							4/10/2020			
		6.x and older	6.10	End of Support							12/11/2019	6/10/2020		
Oracle Linux	9.x	9.x		Projected			6/10/2025						<a href="http://www.oracle.com/uk/support/library/oracle-support-lifecycle-301321.pdf">http://www.oracle.com/uk/support/library/oracle-support-lifecycle-301321.pdf</a>	The selected Oracle Linux and Oracle Solaris operating system software releases, Oracle may extend the technical support period by offering Extended Support for a three year period. Because this cannot be predicted or counted on, Oracle Extended Support is considered "Prohibited". Oracle general supports a version for 12 years. Roadmap allows 12 months between GA and EOL availability and the intent is to have migrated to N-2 years prior to end of support.
		8.x		Approved	N	6/10/2022	6/10/2023	6/10/2023	6/10/2023	6/10/2023	6/10/2023			Rules: Approved = GA + 1 year, Prohibited = EOL - 2 years, Direct Plan = Prohibited - 2; Execution = Prohibited - 1
		8.x		Approved	N-1	7/1/2019	7/1/2020	7/1/2025	7/1/2026	7/1/2027	7/1/2029			
		7.x		Prohibited		7/1/2014	7/1/2015	7/1/2016	7/1/2017	7/1/2017	7/1/2018			
		6.x		End of Support		2/1/2013			9/1/2016	9/1/2016	9/1/2016			
		5.x and older		End of Support										
		All		Prohibited										
		All		Prohibited										
		All		Prohibited										
		All		Prohibited										
SPARC (or equivalent)	Oracle Solaris/SunOS	11.x		Direct Execution	N		1/1/2020	1/1/2022	11/1/2023	11/1/2024	11/1/2024		<a href="http://www.oracle.com/uk/support/library/oracle-support-lifecycle-301321.pdf">http://www.oracle.com/uk/support/library/oracle-support-lifecycle-301321.pdf</a>	
		10.x and older		Prohibited								1/1/2018		
		All		Prohibited										
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IBM POWER series (Power 9)	IBM POWER series (Power 9)	11.2		Projected			12/1/2023						<a href="https://www.ibm.com/support/ctg/ibm-support-lifecycle-301321.pdf">https://www.ibm.com/support/ctg/ibm-support-lifecycle-301321.pdf</a>	IBM AIX follows a 1 year version lifecycle with support of 3 years per version. (Previous version used a 4 year lifecycle). Roadmap allows 6 months between GA and EOL availability. Prohibited 6 months before end of support, 6 months to plan and 6 months for execution. 7.1 is Prohibited because it is N-2 or older
		11.1		Approved	N	12/1/2022	6/2/2023	6/10/2024	12/1/2024	6/10/2025	12/1/2025			Approved = GA + 6 months, Prohibited = EOL - 6 months, Execution = Prohibited - 6 months, Plan = Prohibited - 12 months
		11.0		Direct Plan	N-1	12/10/2021	6/10/2022	6/10/2023	12/1/2023	6/10/2024	12/1/2024			
		7.2		Prohibited		11/1/2020	5/1/2021	5/1/2022	11/1/2022	5/1/2023	11/10/2023			
		11.4		End of Support		11/1/2019	5/11/2020	5/10/2021	11/10/2021	5/10/2022	11/10/2022			
		11.3		End of Support		9/1/2018	3/1/2019	3/1/2020	9/1/2020	3/1/2021	9/10/2021			
		11.2		End of Support		10/1/2017	3/1/2018	3/1/2019	10/1/2019	5/15/2020	10/1/2020			
		11.1		End of Support		11/1/2016					11/10/2016			
		7.x and older		End of Support		10/1/2014					11/10/2014			
IBM mainframe	z/OS	2.6.x		Projected			9/10/2023						<a href="https://www.ibm.com/support/ctg/ibm-support-lifecycle-301321.pdf">https://www.ibm.com/support/ctg/ibm-support-lifecycle-301321.pdf</a>	IBM z/OS follows a 2 year revision lifecycle with support of 3 years per version. Roadmap allows 12 months between GA and EOL availability. Prohibited 12 months prior to end of support, 6 months for planning and 6 months for execution.
		2.5.x		Approved	N	9/10/2021	9/10/2022	9/10/2024	9/10/2025	9/10/2026	9/10/2027			
		2.4.x		Direct Execution	N-1	9/10/2019	9/10/2020	9/10/2022	9/10/2023	9/10/2024	9/10/2024			
		2.3.x		End of Support		9/10/2017	9/10/2018	9/10/2020	9/10/2021	9/10/2022	9/10/2022			
		2.2.x		End of Support		9/10/2015		9/1/2019	9/10/2019	3/1/2020	9/10/2020			
		2.1.x and older		End of Support										
		All other mainframe OS		Prohibited										
		All		Prohibited										
		All other OS		Prohibited										
		All		Prohibited										
Hypervisor VMware	Component ESXi, vSphere, vCenter	9.0		Projected			2024						<a href="https://kb.vmware.com/s/article/2143832">https://kb.vmware.com/s/article/2143832</a> <a href="https://www.vmware.com/content/dam/digitalmarketing/vmware/en/vm/support/product-lifecycle-matrix.pdf">https://www.vmware.com/content/dam/digitalmarketing/vmware/en/vm/support/product-lifecycle-matrix.pdf</a> <a href="https://www.vmware.com/support/policies/lifecycle.html">https://www.vmware.com/support/policies/lifecycle.html</a>	VMware Technical Guidance Phase of support: "During the Technical Guidance phase, VMware does not offer new hardware support, unless/when/Client OS updates, new security patches or bug fixes unless otherwise noted." Because new security patches are not provided, the Technical Guidance Phase support is considered "Vendor End of Support".  VMware follows a 5 year cycle for version support. Initial roadmap is based on 1 year to support and 6 month buffer before EOL.
		8.0		Emerging		10/1/2022	10/1/2023					Projected 10/1/2028		
		7.0		Approved	N	4/2/2020	4/2/2021	10/1/2024	4/2/2025	4/2/2026	4/2/2027			
		6.x	6.7	End of Support		4/1/2018	4/1/2019	10/1/2021	4/1/2022	10/1/2022	10/1/2022			
		6.5		End of Support		11/11/2018		11/11/2020	1/11/2021	1/11/2021	1/11/2021			
		6.0		End of Support		8/15/2015					8/15/2015			
		5.x	5.5	End of Support		9/21/2011					9/10/2018			
		5.1		End of Support		9/1/2010					8/14/2018			
		5.0		End of Support		8/24/2011					8/24/2018			
		4.x	4.1	End of Support		7/11/2010					5/11/2014			
4.0		End of Support		5/11/2009					5/11/2014					

Emerging	Emerging
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Direct Plan	Direct Plan
Direct Execution	Direct Execution
Prohibited	Prohibited
Prohibited	Prohibited
End of Support	End of Support