

Find out which Windows 10 edition is right for you.

Core experiences

Familiar, and better than ever

	Home	Pro	Enterprise	Education
Customizable Start Menu	x	x	x	x
Windows Defender & Windows firewall	x	x	x	x
Fast start up with Hiberboot and InstantGo ¹	x	x	x	x
TPM support ²	x	x	x	x
Battery Saver	x	x	x	x
Windows Update	x	x	x	x

Cortana³

Talk or type naturally	x	x	x	x
Personal and proactive suggestions	x	x	x	x
Reminders	x	x	x	x
Search web, device, and cloud	x	x	x	x
"Hey Cortana" hands-free activation	x	x	x	x

Windows Hello⁴

Native fingerprint recognition	x	x	x	x
Native facial and iris recognition	x	x	x	x
Enterprise level security	x	x	x	x

Multi-doing

Virtual desktops	x	x	x	x
Snap assist (up to 4 apps on one screen)	x	x	x	x
Snap apps across screens on different monitors	x	x	x	x

Continuum⁵

Switch from PC to tablet mode	x	x	x	x
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Microsoft Edge

Reading view	x	x	x	x
Built-in ink support	x	x	x	x
Cortana integration ³	x	x	x	x

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Existing Fundamentals

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Device Encryption ¹	x	x	x	x
Domain Join		x	x	x
Group Policy Management		x	x	x
Bitlocker ²		x	x	x
Enterprise Mode Internet Explorer (EMIE)		x	x	x
Assigned Access 8.1		x	x	x
Remote Desktop		x	x	x
Client Hyper-V		x	x	x
DirectAccess			x	x
Windows To Go Creator			x	x
AppLocker			x	x
BranchCache			x	x
Start Screen Control with Group Policy			x	x

Management and Deployment

Side-loading of line of business apps	x	x	x	x
Mobile device management	x ⁶	x	x	x
Ability to join Azure Active Directory, with single sign-on to cloud-hosted apps ⁷		x	x	x
Business Store for Windows 10 ⁸		x	x	x
Granular UX Control			x	x
Easy Upgrade from Pro to Enterprise Edition		x	x	
Easy Upgrade from Home to Education Edition	x			x

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Security

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Microsoft Passport	x	x	x	x
Enterprise Data Protection ⁸		x	x	x
Credential Guard ⁹			x	x
Device Guard ⁹			x	x

Delivering Windows as a Service

	Home	Pro	Enterprise	Education
Windows Update	x	x	x	x
Windows Update for Business		x	x	x
Current Branch for Business		x	x	x
Long Term Servicing Branch			x	

Buy Windows software or devices

How to purchase Windows for your business

Microsoft offers several ways to purchase software and devices for your business

How to purchase multiple software licenses

If you need multiple software licenses contact a partner.

How to purchase multiple devices

If you are looking to buy several devices, you can find a partner or work directly with the Microsoft Store Sales team.

1 - Requires InstantGo or device that passes the "Device Encryption Requirements Test"

2 - Requires TPM 1.2 or greater

3 - Cortana is available only in certain markets; Experience may vary by region and device; Requires Microsoft Account to use

4 - Windows Hello requires specialized hardware, including fingerprint reader, illuminated IR sensor or other biometric sensors

5 - Requires touch screen capabilities; App experiences may vary

6 - Coming Later. Subject to Change. [Learn more](#) about delivering Windows as a service

7 - Separate license for Azure Active Directory required

8 - Coming Later. Subject to Change

9 - Requires UEFI 2.3.1 or greater; Virtualization Extensions such as Intel VT-x, AMD-V, and SLAT must be enabled; x64 version of Windows; IOMMU, such as Intel VT-d, AMD-Vi; TPM 2.0; BIOS Lockdown