



## Which Microsoft solution is right for you?

In just the last two years, we have witnessed a rapid shift in workforce and organizational needs around the world. There's been a meteoric rise in remote and hybrid work, as well as a general uptick in elasticity of the workforce. People want the freedom to work from anywhere, using any device, collaborating with anyone. All the while, they're taking on high-scale and specialized workloads, and they need to maintain security and compliance throughout.

All of this points to the need for an IT infrastructure that promotes flexibility and collaboration. According to our research, 73% of workers today say they want flexible remote work options – but at the same time, 67% are also clamoring for more in-person collaboration. How do you thread the needle and offer both?

Let's examine two solutions that have that potential – Windows 365 and Azure Virtual Desktop – and take an in-depth look at the benefits of each.

### **MICROSOFT WINDOWS 365**

When your organization adopts Windows 365, you get a platform that's optimized for simplicity. Users gain access to personalized desktops that are preconfigured with Windows 10 (or, coming soon, Windows 11). They have complete, end-to-end Microsoft service at their fingertips, as well as one-stop administration through Microsoft Endpoint Manager. Other features include:

- Predictable per-user, per-month pricing
- Access to personalized Windows 365 Cloud PCs across devices
- Simple, turnkey purchasing and deployment
- Easily scalable compute and storage
- No VDI experience or skills required

### **MICROSOFT AZURE VIRTUAL DESKTOP**

With Azure Virtual Desktop, you instead get IT that's optimized for flexibility. Windows 10 is built in, with Windows 11 coming soon – or users can tap into Windows Server multi-session desktops. IT has full control over configuration and management, as well as access to remote app streaming that will bring added versatility for all parties involved. You'll also enjoy:

- Flexible, consumption-based pricing
- High resource optimization: Multi-session desktops, scalable compute and storage
- Specialized GPU and HPC workloads
- Data residency and geo requirements
- Citrix and VMware solutions available

So what's the right technology for your organization's needs? The above criteria should help you make an informed decision. But if you'd like to learn more, Zones can help. Connect with an Account Manager today.

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