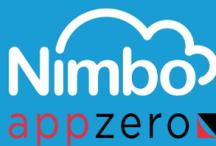


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State of Readiness for Windows Server 2003 End of Support

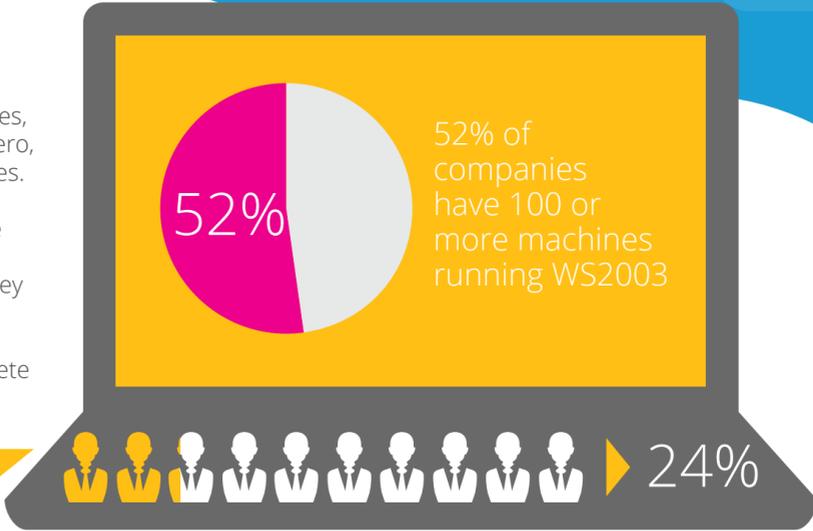


Windows Server 2003 will hit End of Support (EOS) on July 14, 2015. This has prompted IT pros to evaluate their options - which range from accepting the risks of running on an unsupported operating system, to upgrading all of their servers and moving to the Cloud, with lots of other choices in between.

To understand current WS2003 EOS level of readiness and challenges, Nimbo's partner, AppZero, surveyed 200 companies.

More than 150 Fortune 1,000 companies participated in the survey and the major findings are presented in this infographic. The complete survey report can be downloaded below.

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Only one quarter (24%) of respondents already have an upgrade plan in place for remediating the risk of WS2003 EOS.

Level of readiness for WS2003 EOS

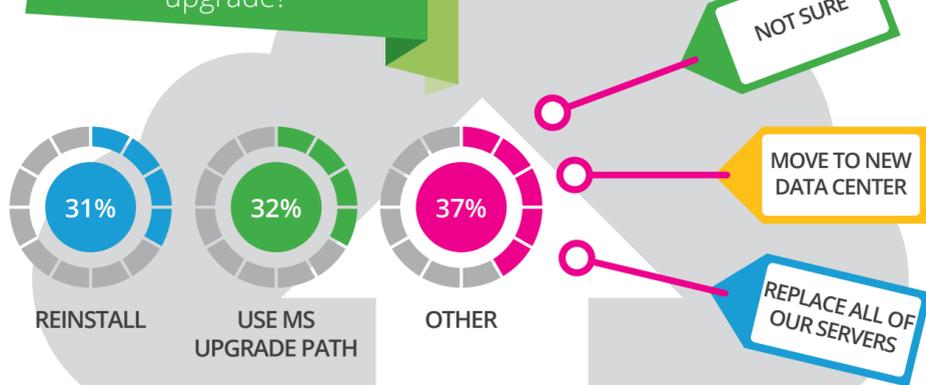


Primary risk concerns of running an unsupported OS



Microsoft Windows Server 2003

How are you going to upgrade?



Moving applications to the cloud as a part of the upgrade

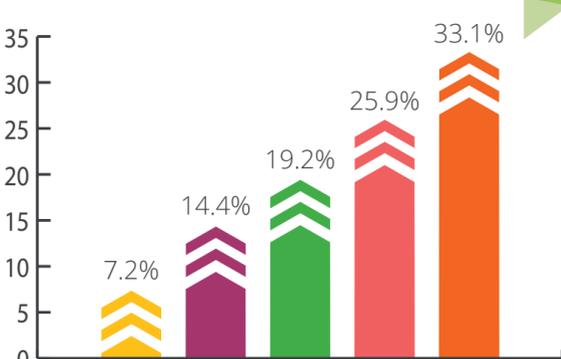


More than one third (35%) will be moving their applications to the cloud as part of their upgrade process. This is the most popular, known upgrade path.

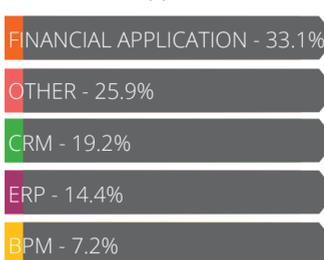


An additional 40% are "unsure" which is likely to translate into roughly half of respondents ultimately choosing to move to the cloud.

What types of applications cause you the most concern?



The applications causing the most concern are Financial Applications (34%).



Options for remediating WS2003 EOS

Don't underestimate the time and cost it will take to remediate your applications that are running on soon-to-be unsupported WS2003.

- Expensive, time consuming and requires knowing the applications in enough detail to create good requirements.

1. Rewrite the applications

2. Reinstall the application, reconfigure & migrate the data

Requires having all of the install media and code, and a clear understanding of what is currently running and installed - not easy for older systems.
- Install applications and keep files, settings and applications? Not recommended - expect to receive this message: "Uninstall critical applications, upgrade the OS and then reinstall the applications."

3. Upgrade the OS

4. Migrate the application to a new OS

"Up-level" your applications with an automated migration tool. Quickly and easily move your applications and data from old machines to a new server anywhere - cloud or datacenter.

Whichever option you chose to mitigate your risk, remember that WS2003 will reach EOS on July 14, 2015 and you must prepare for this event. Your appetite for risk and the regulations that your company must comply with will help determine which approach is best for you. Microsoft recommends AppZero Enterprise for application migration for a variety of applications from Windows Server 2003 to either Windows Server 2012 or Windows Azure.

It is clear that WS2003 EOS is giving IT administrators a lot to think about. Most will not run the risk of running an unsupported operating system, but the clock is ticking. Every day there is less time to deal with this critical situation.

Partnering with AppZero, Nimbo provides "up level" app migration services, allowing enterprises to easily move applications from old machines, running versions of the Windows OS, to any server running newer operating systems.



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