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1. Introduction

Software (i.e., operating system and application) system requirements define the minimum (and sometimes recommended) hardware required to install and run the software. Software system requirements include central processing unit (CPU), system memory (RAM), and available (free) hard disk space. This page lists the system requirements for Windows 95 through Windows 7.

Note: For Windows 98 through Windows 7 defaults see [Windows 98 Through Windows 7 Defaults](#) (stevestechresource.com).

2. Windows 95 Through Windows 7 System Requirements

Windows (a.k.a.)	General Availability Date	CPU (recommended)	RAM (recommended)	Hard Disk Space
95	15Aug95	386DX (486)	4MB (8MB)	27-84MB free
98	30Jun98	486DX 66MHz	16MB (24MB)	120-355MB free
ME	31Dec00	150MHz	32MB	320MB free
2000 Pro (NT 5.0)	31Mar00	133MHz	32MB (64MB)	2GB with 650MB free
XP (NT 5.1)	31Dec01	233MHz (300MHz)	64MB (128MB)	1.5GB free
Vista (NT 6.0)	25Jan07	800MHz 32-bit 800MHz 64-bit	512MB	20GB with 15GB free
7 (NT 6.1)	22Oct09	1GHz 32-bit 1GHz 64-bit	1GB 32-bit 2GB 64-bit	16GB free 32-bit 20GB free 64-bit

3. Additional Reading

- [Windows 95 Installation Requirements \(138349\)](#) (support.microsoft.com)
- [Minimum Hardware Requirements For A Windows 98 Installation \(182751\)](#) (support.microsoft.com)
- [System Requirements For Microsoft Windows 2000 Operating Systems \(304297\)](#) (support.microsoft.com)
- [Minimum Hardware Requirements To Install Windows Millennium \(253695\)](#) (support.microsoft.com)
- [System Requirements For Windows XP Operating Systems \(314865\)](#) (support.microsoft.com)
- [System Requirements For Windows Vista \(919183\)](#) (support.microsoft.com)
- [Windows 7: System Requirements](#) (microsoft.com)

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