# **Microsoft windows**

Microsoft created the Windows Operating System (OS) in the mid-1980s. Over the years, there have been many different versions of Windows, the most recent ones are Windows 10 (released in 2015), Windows 8 (2012), Windows 7 (2009), and Windows Vista (2007).

Windows comes pre-loaded on most new PCs.

## What version of the MS Windows (OS) am I using?

• Right click on computer icon and select properties.



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Or follow the steps below,

## Windows 8 and 10

- Go to the Windows Desktop screen.
- Press the Windows key + R on the keyboard.

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## Windows 7 and earlier including vista

- Click the Start button, usually found in the lower left corner of the main Desktop screen.
- Click the Run or Search field, type winver, and press Enter.
- An About Windows window will open and display the version of Microsoft

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#### Updating your Operating System

#### Windows 10

• Windows update is automatically turned on in Windows 10.

#### Windows Vista, Windows 7, Windows 8, Windows 8.1

- Open the Control Panel
- If using small icons view, select Windows Update option

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• Or if using the category view, select the System and Security option and then select the windows update option.

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Network and Internet View network status and tasks Choose homegroup and sharing options	Appearance and Personalization Change the theme Change desktop background Adjust screen resolution
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Programs Uninstall a program Get programs	Ease of Access Let Windows suggest settings Optimize visual display

- Windows Update will check for any available updates for your computer.
- If any updates are found, you should be able to view the available updates.
- First install all important updates and service packs that are available. In some cases, you may only be able to do a few important updates or service pack updates each time, if some updates are dependent on other updates being installed first.

## Windows XP and earlier

Please follow the link below for further information.

https://support.microsoft.com/en-gb/help/14223/windows-xp-end-of-support