



VMware Virtualization Assessment

Overview

A VMware® Virtualization Assessment gives you a clear view of server consolidation opportunities within your existing physical IT infrastructure. We assess your current server landscape to determine your potential costs and savings and better prepare you to roll out VMware Infrastructure.

Deliverables

- Up to 30 days of system and performance data on existing Windows® servers in your environment. To collect the data, a consultant installs a VMware Capacity Planner Data Manager at one site (one collector)
- Data analysis for up to 200 existing Windows servers
- Server consolidation and virtualization assessment report including a preliminary total cost of ownership analysis of the sampled environment, and recommendations

Target Audience

Companies planning server consolidation projects who need guidance on sizing requirements and justification of expenditures to facilitate consolidation via virtualization

Roles and Responsibilities

- VMware Certified Professional Consultant:
Leads assessment efforts; provides best practices knowledge of ongoing datacenter and infrastructure issues
- Customer IT Management:
Plans and coordinates all assessment-related IT activities
- Systems Administrator:
Responsible for server hardware, storage and networking
- Server Administrator:
Responsible for operating system and applications

Key Activities

Action	Responsibility
Kickoff call	All
Data collector installation	Consultant
Gather server inventory and performance data	Consultant
Interview key stakeholders	Consultant
Assessment report creation	Consultant
Presentation of report findings	Consultant
Wrap up session	All

Benefits

- Estimate potential server consolidation cost savings
- Estimate required server hardware and VMware Infrastructure licenses
- Use VMware Capacity Planner for data collection, scenario creation, and optimization analysis
- Accelerate the assessment process with proven VMware server consolidation experience

Pricing and Scope

- Up to two (2) days on-site
- Assessment Report created and delivered off-site
- Analysis conducted on up to 200 Windows servers selected by the customer
- VMware Virtualization Assessment delivered by a VMware Certified Professional (VCP) consultant from VMware or from a VMware Authorized Consulting (VAC) partner
- Contact your local VMware representative for pricing information

Requirements

- Dedicated, networked (including Internet access) Windows 2000 Server SP3 or higher machine with at least 500 MHz CPU, 256MB RAM, and 2GB free disk space
- Local and domain administrator (root) access to existing servers to gather data for use in analysis

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