

# The VMware Hybrid Cloud is the Best Place for Your Windows Server 2003 Workloads and Beyond!

**Windows Server 2003 End of Life is July 14, 2015!**

Analysts estimate up to **24 million\*** Windows Server 2003 instances are still in use today!

**Don't get caught without a plan!**

Microsoft estimates a cost of \$1,500 and 200 days to migrate each workload and application!

Up to **39%\*** of the Windows install base still runs on Windows 2003!

\*<http://www.datacenterknowledge.com/archives/2014/09/12/ditching-windows-server-2003-necessary-easy>



A **P2V** (Physical to Virtual) conversion to VMware should be performed for any Windows 2003 physical installations to extend the life of the server and protect it from out-of-support legacy hardware failure.

(NOTE: VMware support for Windows Server 2003 guests does not include operating system security patches)

**vCloud Air**



If your current data center does not have enough capacity, you can easily migrate your Windows Server 2003 VMs to **vCloud Air**!

**TIP:** The unique value and flexibility of the **VMware Hybrid Cloud** architecture and **SDDC** lets you easily move VMs back-and-forth between **vCloud Air** and your on-prem private data center!

Use the **VMware vRealize Suite** to optimize your environment and save real \$\$\$!

#### **vRealize Operations**

Right-size VMs and reduce risk to amplify vSphere value

#### **vRealize Infrastructure Navigator**

Map out application dependencies and enhance your BC/DR strategy

#### **vRealize Business Management**

Easily estimate private and public cloud costing



Leverage **VMware NSX** micro-segmentation to "fence in" and securely isolate un-patched Windows Server 2003 workloads and mitigate risk to the rest of the data center.

**TIP:** **vCloud Air DR** can provide an excellent way to protect VM's from disaster, but also easily migrate to vCloud Air **Virtual Private Cloud** or **Dedicated** later on!

**Good News!**



#### **vSphere 6.0**

will continue to support Windows Server 2003 as a virtual machine!

#### **vCloud Air**

will continue to support Windows Server 2003 VMs and provide the most flexible Hybrid Cloud solution!

**Bad News!**

#### **Microsoft Azure & Google**

DO NOT currently and WILL NOT support Windows Server 2003 VMs in the future!

#### **Amazon Web Services**

DOES support Windows Server 2003 VMs, but they must be completely recreated on AWS, with no hybrid cloud flexibility, easy VM portability or SLA for VM uptime.

**Need more help? Contact your VMware representative for additional information!**

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