

# Windows Virtual Desktop



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## In 2020, the number of people working remotely jumped from 7% to 66%<sup>1,2</sup>

The evolution of the modern workplace means organisations are looking for a new approach to desktop delivery.

In conjunction with this, a range of security incidents demonstrate that remote working increases the attack surface and forces IT departments to be ahead of evolving cybercrime, risks from employee-owned devices, lost or stolen information, and compliance requirements for data storage and other issues.

With Data#3's Windows Virtual Desktop service you can accelerate your transition to a modern workplace and ensure employees can work from almost anywhere, using the apps they rely on to successfully collaborate and be productive.

### Are you struggling with:

- Security and data regulations in your industry?
- Supporting an elastic workforce?
- Enabling remote and hybrid work for specific employees in call centres or mobile sales?
- Providing specialised and legacy apps to design and engineering teams?
- Managing and delivering a modern Windows 10 experience to anyone?

You need the Windows Virtual Desktop Service

### Remote working increases the attack surface

We have found that:

- Privacy and security are increasingly compromised on end user devices
- Organisations are slow to unlock the power of cloud security
- Many cannot identify and respond to threats real-time or lack cybersecurity intelligence

**How do you secure data without sacrificing employee productivity?**

### Employees demand a seamless and productive remote working environment

We have found that:

- Organisations struggle to provide a personalised, role-based experience
- The VDI experience is not seamless and does not enhance collaboration
- Not all employees have access to a full Windows 10 experience

**Can your employees collaborate and be productive anywhere and on any device?**

### Can your on-premises compute and storage support a flexible workforce?

We have found that:

- IT teams can save time and money by hosting apps and data in the cloud
- Organisations are slowed down by costly on-premises infrastructure
- Organisations cannot contain VDI deployment costs or use existing licensing

**Are you able to unlock the flexibility and security of Azure Cloud?**

### 'Improve security.'

This is the No.1 reason that infrastructure decision makers are adopting public cloud, and it's also a top driver for virtualisation adoption. It's no surprise, then, that many I&O leaders see cloud desktops as more secure than on-premises digital workspaces.<sup>3</sup>

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## What is the Windows Virtual Desktop service?

Data#3's Windows Virtual Desktop service accelerates the transition to a cloud-based, secure and modern working experience. The service will assess your environment, deploy a proof of concept and will help you to transition to a secure and modern work experience.

## The Windows Virtual Desktop service fast tracks a modern remote working experience with secure Azure cloud services

### Reduce Security and Privacy Risks

- Keep sensitive data in your cloud and not on user devices
- Safeguard your business with multi-layered security on Azure
- Identify and respond quickly to threats with real-time global cybersecurity intelligence

### Accelerate Transition Time and Get your Employees Working

- Provide a personalised, role-based experience with easy setup through the Azure portal
- Enable seamless connection to a full desktop virtually anywhere, including your business and familiar Office apps
- Enhance collaboration and productivity with the latest Microsoft 365 tools, including Microsoft Teams

### Optimised Cost and Licensing

- Rely on Data#3's cloud experts to optimise licenses and cloud services
- Provide a full desktop experience on internet connected low cost devices
- Deploy Windows Desktop at no extra cost with Microsoft 365 Business Premium<sup>4</sup>

## What to expect from the Windows Virtual Desktop service?

The Windows Virtual Desktop service is comprised of the following elements;

**VDI Assessment** - assesses your current VDI environment and provides a detailed VDI Health Check.

**VDI Proof of Concept** – created in a standalone environment, will allow testing to choose the appropriate compute, user profile and app solution.

**VDI Azure Foundation** – a transition process will implement best practices and Azure cost and licensing optimisation strategies for your deployment.

**VDI Operational Guide** - will ensure you get the most out of the service. With post deployment finetuning, our experts will ensure you can provide the best user experience to employees whilst keeping your data secure and cloud costs in check.

## Why Data#3?

Data#3 is Microsoft's only Australian partner that is both an Azure Expert Managed Service Provider and an Azure Modernisation Factory partner. Our capability in Azure is unsurpassed in Australia. Data#3 holds 16 Gold Partner Competencies and has members on two Global Partner Advisory Councils, including Azure Infrastructure and Azure Data Services.

## Your Next Steps

- For more information, visit our [Azure Cloud](#) page.
- Connect with a Data#3 Specialist [here](#) or contact your Account Manager today.

<sup>1</sup> Pew Research Center (2020), Before the Coronavirus, telework was an optional benefit, mostly for the affluent few.

<sup>2</sup> Clutch, (2020), Working from Home during the Coronavirus Pandemic: The State of Remote Work.

<sup>3</sup> Forrester (2019), The Future Of VDI Is Cloud, Cloud-Based Virtualization Will Surpass On-Premises VDI To Improve Scalability And Manageability.

<sup>4</sup> Existing customers already subscribed to Microsoft 365 or enterprise versions of Windows, check your eligibility with Data#3 licensing specialists.

## Interested in how Data#3 can help?

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