AppZero 2014 State of Readiness Survey Results
WS 2003 End of support is July 14, 2015

1000's
of applications

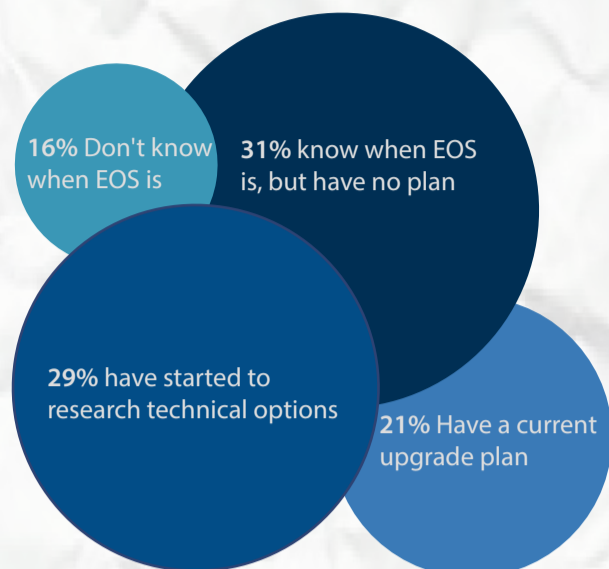**10,000,000+**
production WS2003 machines

<180
days until EOS

Windows Server 2003 will hit End of Support (EOS) on July 14, 2015. This news has IT pros evaluating their options which range from accepting the risks of running on an unsupported OS to upgrading all of their servers to moving to the Cloud, and lots in between.

In 2014, AppZero conducted the second annual "State of Readiness for Windows Server 2003 End of Support" Survey to assess how serious this event is to enterprise IT, determine what preparations are underway and what progress has been made since the first survey findings were published.

This infographic displays what has changed, and just as important, what hasn't. There are some surprising results.

Readiness for WS2003 EOS in 2014

16% Don't know when EOS is

31% know when EOS is, but have no plan

29% have started to research technical options

21% Have a current upgrade plan

EOS Affects Your Systems:

- **Bottom Line**
- **Security/Compliance**
- **Support**
- **Performance**

Security and Compliance
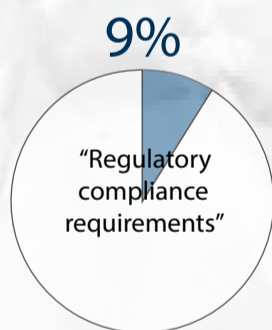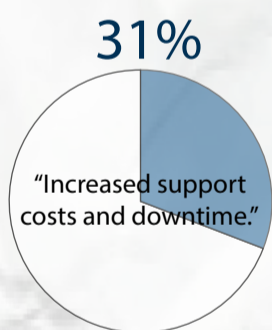55% of respondents are worried about security compliance & vulnerability management caused by WS2003 EOS

Custom CSA Cost$
An organization with 2,000 machines having to pay $1,500/server would have to pay $3M for a first year CSA and could see more than $20M in fees ($6M year 2, $12M year 3) for the three-year period after EOS.
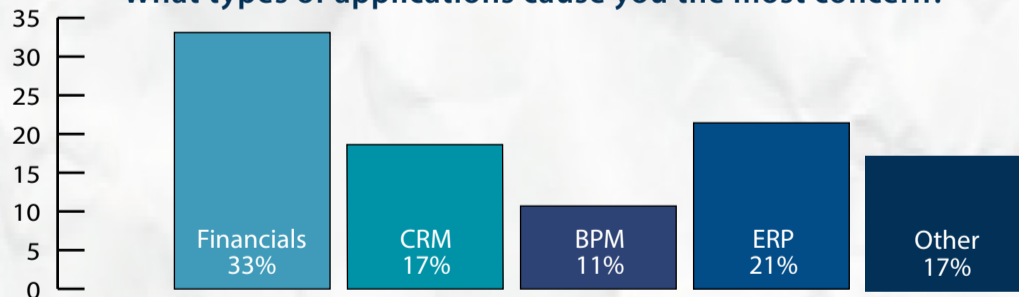
Regulatory Compliance
Due to regulations like: HIPAA, PCI, SOX, & Dodd-Frank, regulated industries must run on supported platforms.

WS2003 EOS Concerns:

55%
"security compliance and vulnerability management."

31%
"Increased support costs and downtime."

9%
"Regulatory compliance requirements"

What types of applications cause you the most concern?

Financials 33%	CRM 17%	BPM 11%	ERP 21%	Other 17%

EOS Awareness

Know when EOS is, but have no plan

2013	2014
19%	31%

Respondents had a 12% YoY increase in WS 2003 EOS awareness.

I have started to research technical options

2013	2014
16%	29%

A 13% YoY increase in respondents who are researching technical options shows an increased awareness of the issue.

Methods for remediating WS2003 EOS:

Migrate the application to a new OS: Use an automated application migration tool to "up-level" your applications.

Upgrade the OS: Do a new install of Windows and keep all of your files, settings and applications.
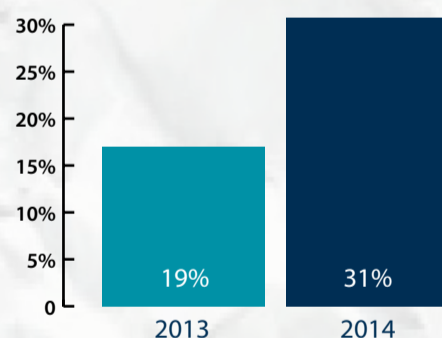
Reinstall the application, reconfigure and migrate the data: This requires having all of the install media and code, and a clear understanding of current configurations.

Rewrite the applications: Expensive and time consuming, and requires knowing the applications well enough to create good requirements.

Do nothing: Risky and you must take into account a security vulnerability being discovered or a system failure occurring.
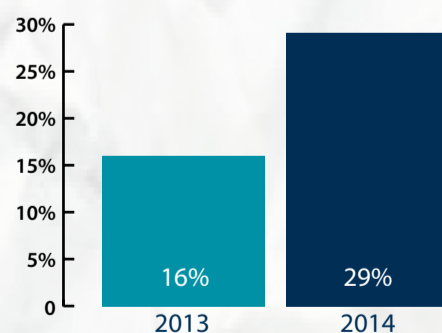
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AppZero is the only tool that can "up level" your applications, letting you quickly and easily move your applications from old, bare metal machines running WS2003 to any server running newer operating systems. If you're moving to WS2012, you can get there in one step – no need to first upgrade to WS2008.