

# 5 Compelling Reasons to Stop Using Windows XP



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## Security



Microsoft stopped supporting Windows XP in 2014 and Internet Explorer 8 in 2016. The lack of security patches and the limitations of the XP Windows Firewall make the operating system a prime target for hackers, who create malware that exploits vulnerabilities (such as demanding ransom to unlock your computer and your data).

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## Money



As your computer ages, the likelihood of your computer having a catastrophic failure rises. Whether it's from preventing business lost data to avoiding lost productivity, upgrading to a modern operating system pays.

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## Time



It's 2018. Driving a vintage Mustang is pretty cool (because it can still go really fast). Having a custom lift kit on your Bronco is cool (because you can easily drive over rough terrain). Windows XP? That's not so cool: it's costing you time and productivity.

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## Compatibility



The business tools on which you depend are continually updated. As these critical applications you depend on evolve (both software and hardware), Windows XP support is harder (read: becoming impossible) to maintain for the companies that provide those tools.

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## Administration



Managing Software Restriction Policies can be close to impossible on Windows XP. Adding and configuring new devices (like a GMO or mycotoxin detection instrument) to your computer is much more difficult as well. Modern operating systems make this task much easier for administrators.

Want more reasons? See what these companies have to say about it:

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