

Computer Replacement Costs

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The **Computer Replacement Costs** report displays projected computer replacement costs over the current year based on the total number of machines in your Configuration Manager's hardware inventory. Costs are calculated for computers with expired warranties, as well as for computers with 1 to 3+ years left on their warranties. This report is particularly helpful when budgeting for device replacement.

For a video walkthrough of this report, see [Insights — Computer Replacement Costs](#) on Recast Software's YouTube channel.

View the Report

To view the Computer Replacement Costs report:

1. In your Configuration Manager console, expand the **Recast Software** node in the navigation panel and select **Insights**.
2. In the main window, click the **Device Warranty** tab.
3. In the report list, click **Computer Replacement Costs**.
4. In the window that opens, select a **Collection**. By default, all desktop and server clients are included.
5. If desired, edit the default useful life length and replacement cost values.

NOTE: The default replacement cost is automatically increased by 5% each year.

6. Click **View Report**.

Report Details

The Computer Replacement Costs report is broken down by computer type, which is divided into four classes:

- **Virtual Machine:** Any computer with the ConfigMgr **Virtual Machine** flag set to **Yes**.
- **Server:** Any computer with a **System Role** of **Server**. Excludes virtual machines.
- **Laptop:** Using the **Win32_SystemEnclosure** for **Chassis Type**, this class includes the following:
 - Portable
 - Laptop
 - Notebook
 - Hand Held
 - Docking Station
 - Sub Notebook
- **Desktop:** Applies to any computer that doesn't fall into the other definitions. The end result will only be true desktops.

TIP: Make this report easier to read by hiding some or all of the report parameters. See [How to set default report parameters](#).

This report drills through to:



List of Computers by Replacement Category



Computer Warranty Information: Shows details about a specific computer, including its manufacturer, model, and serial number. Includes warranty details for computer hardware and software.
