

choose Properties. A Properties page appears that includes the type of processor the computer has. For example, Figure 5-1 shows the Properties page for a computer that uses a Core i7 processor.

- » **The amount of memory:** This information can also be found on the computer's Properties page, as shown in Figure 5-1.
- » **The size of the hard drive and the arrangement of its partitions:** To find out the size of your computer's hard drive in Windows 10, open the File Explorer (found in the desktop taskbar), and then right-click the drive icon and choose the Properties command from the shortcut menu that appears. (The procedure for earlier versions of Windows is similar.) Figure 5-1 shows the Properties dialog box for a 126GB disk drive that has about 115GB of free space.

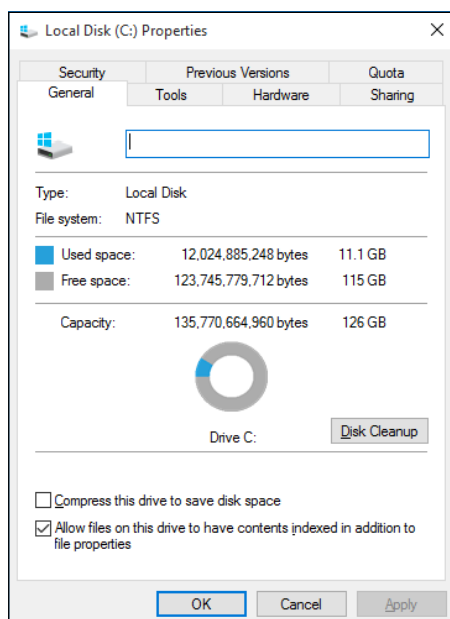


FIGURE 5-1:
The Properties
dialog box for a
disk drive.

If your computer has more than one hard drive, Windows lists an icon for each drive in the Computer window. Jot down the size and amount of free space available on each drive.

- » **The operating system version:** This you can also deduce from the System Properties dialog box. For example, the Properties page shown in Figure 5-2 indicates that the computer is running Windows 10 Pro.