Environmental impacts

# Introduction

With cloud services growing rapidly there is potential for them to have an impact on the environment. You are going to investigate the impacts and decide whether you think cloud computing will have a positive or negative impact on the environment overall.

# Research websites .

Use the following websites to research the **positive** and **negative** impacts of cloud computing.

* [Earth.org](https://earth.org/environmental-impact-of-cloud-computing/) (ncce.io/Impacts1)
* [AgileIT.com](https://www.agileit.com/news/environmental-benefits-cloud-computing/) (ncce.io/Impacts2)
* [Earth5r.org](https://earth5r.org/environmental-benefits-cloud-computing/) (ncce.io/Impacts3)
* [Treehugger.com](https://www.treehugger.com/does-cloud-computing-help-or-harm-the-environment-5187953) (ncce.io/Impacts4)

# Record your findings .

Use the table below to record your findings:

| **Positive impacts** |
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| **Negative impacts** |
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# Which impacts come top? .

Based on your research, list your top positive and your top negative impact below. Justify your choice.

| **Top positive impact** | **Why did you choose this one?** |
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| **Top negative impact** | **Why did you choose this one?** |
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# Your vote .

Decide whether you think that cloud computing will have a positive or a negative impact on the environment. Underline your choice.

| **POSITIVE** | **NEGATIVE** |
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