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## How Long Has Your Windows 10 PC Been Up and Running?

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Have you ever wondered how long your Windows PC has been up and running? Here's a look at a couple way to find out in Windows 10.



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Nowadays it's not uncommon to have an always-on PC,

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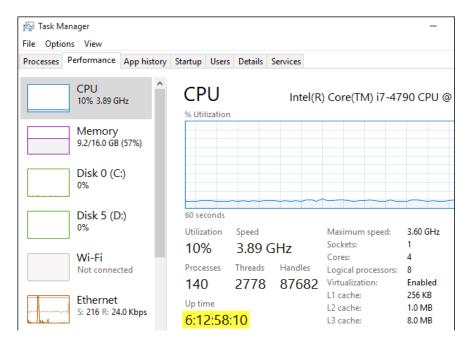
how long your PC has been up and running? Here's a look at how to find out on your Windows 10 system.

**Note:** Previously we showed you how to **determine how long your Windows 7 PC has been powered on**. The process is essentially the same in Windows 10, but we thought it was worth revisiting since the UI has changed.

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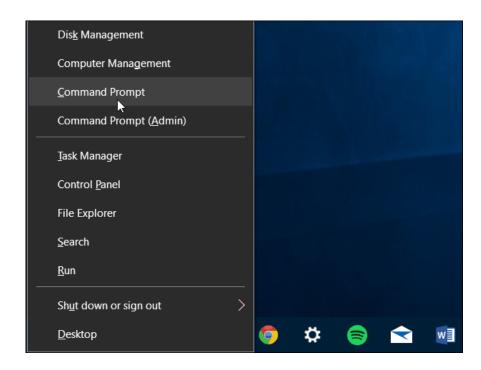
To find out, right-click the Taskbar and select Task Manager. When it comes up, select the performance tab. At the bottom of the screen, you will see the amount of uptime. In the example below, mine has been running for over six days and counting.



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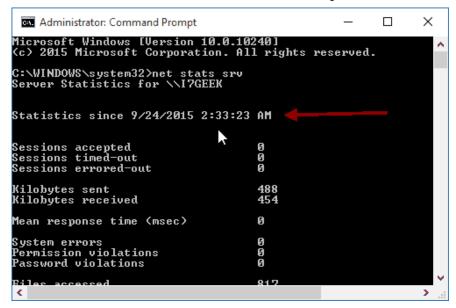
It's also worth noting that in Windows 10 you can still use the Command Prompt. Right-click the Start button (**Windows Key+X**) to bring up the **hidden quick access menu** and select *Command Prompt*.





Then **type:** *net stats srv* and hit Enter. There you'll see *Statistics since* which gives you the date and time your system has been up and running.

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As I mentioned at the beginning of this article, you can do find out how long your computer has been running on **previous versions of Windows**, too.

So the question is: How long has your PC been powered on? If you're one that never shuts yours off, leave a comment below and let's see who has the longest up time!

And, no, servers don't count. They are meant to be on 24/7 and rarely rebooted.

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# Windows 10 Cumulative Update KB3093266 Available Now

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Microsoft rolled out a new cumulative update for Windows 10 on Wednesday, September 30. The update is KB3093266 which includes improvements to enhance the

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This update is cumulative and will only install previous updates you don't have as explained by Microsoft on its Support Page:



Windows 10 updates are cumulative. Therefore, this package contains all previously-released fixes (see **KB** 3081448). If you have installed previous updates, only the new fixes that are contained in this package will be downloaded and installed to your computer.

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There is also an important note about this update. If you install a language pack after installing this update, you'll need to reinstall the updates again. The company recommends that if you are planning on installing a language pack, that you do it now, before installing the update.

As always, this will automatically be downloaded and installed on your Windows 10 system. Or, if you want to get in on the update right now, you can manually grab it by heading to

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also be noted that a restart is required to complete the update.

Remember, you can always schedule when that restart happens.



As is typical these days, Microsoft doesn't have detailed info on what the update contains, other than "enhanced functionality". Although, you can find which files are included in the update by downloading the CSV file. A direct link to the file provided on the support page.

I have installed it on my **Dell XPS 8700** production box running Windows 10 Pro and haven't had any issues yet. Of course, that doesn't mean other systems out there won't have something go awry.

Definitely leave a comment below if you have any issues with the update or notice any improvements to your system.

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## How to Mount and Burn ISO Images in Windows 10



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If you skipped Windows 8 and upgraded Windows 7 to Windows 10, here's a look at how to mount and burn ISOs with native built-in tools in the new OS.

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When Windows 7 was released, a significant new built-in feature was the ability to burn ISO images to disc. When Windows 8 came around, it included the ISO burning and allowed mounting of ISO images natively without third-party software.



If you skipped Windows 8 and upgraded Windows 7 to Windows 10, here's a look at using both features that are still present in Microsoft's new OS.

#### **Mount ISOs in Windows 10**

First off, we'll take a look at mounting an ISO file. In previous versions of Windows, you needed to use a third-party tool like Virtual Clone Drive to mount an ISO or a utility like ImgBurn to burn them to disc.

However, since Windows 8, mounting an ISO is a simple as a double click. That will mount the disc image as a virtual drive, and you can see the contents.

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Like in the example below I just double clicked the **Windows 7** image to reveal the files on it.

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Alternately, you can right-click the ISO file and select *Mount* from the context menu; note that just below that is the option to *Burn disc image*.

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You can also select the ISO file, and from the Ribbon go to Manage > Mount...; note that by using this navigation method you also get the burn icon as well.

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No matter how you choose to mount your ISO, it mounts it as a virtual disc, and it will show up in This PC as a drive. For example, in the shot below I have three different ISO files mounted.

Then you can access them just as if there was a physical disc in your drive.

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Also, note that if you want to unmount the ISO, just right-click and select Eject.

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#### **Burning an ISO**

As I explained above, the option to burn an image is either on the Ribbon or the context menu. Burning an ISO to disc is essentially **the same as it was in Windows 7**. Pop in a **blank disc** and right-click and select *Burn disc image*.

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Then the Windows Disc Image Burner tool kicks off. Select the drive with your blank CD or DVD. I also suggest checking *Verify disc after burning.* That will make sure there are no errors on the disc during the burning process.

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After it's done, the drive will pop open with your completed disc. That's all there is to it!

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While it's usually faster to **create a USB installation drive for software**, some people are just more comfortable using a physical DVD, CD, or Blu-ray disc. Flash drives have a tendency to be lost easily. If you need to burn a retail copy of Windows 7 or higher to disc for any reason, head to the **Microsoft Software Download site**.

There you will find an ISO for 32 and 64-bit versions of Windows 7, 8.1, and Windows 10.

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association for ISOs. If so, you will need to change it to Windows Explorer. To do that, head to Settings > System > Default Apps > Choose default apps by file type. Scroll down and make Windows Explorer the default.



For more on that, read our article: **How to Change Default Programs in Windows 10**.

And if you have questions, concerns, or suggestions about

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