Is my WINDOWS XP, Windows 7 or Windows 8 PC running the 32-bit or 64-bit version of Windows?

The terms 32-bit and 64-bit refer to the way a computer's processor (also called a CPU), handles information. The 64-bit version of Windows handles large amounts of random access memory (RAM) more effectively than the 32-bit version. Follow the steps in the sections below to find out if your PC is running the 32-bit or 64-bit version of Windows and what edition of Windows is on your PC.

Computers running Windows XP

- Click Start, right-click My Computer, and then click Properties.
 - If "x64 Edition" is listed under System, you're running the 64-bit version of Windows XP.
 - If you don't see "x64 Edition" listed under System, you're running the 32-bit version of Windows XP.

The edition of Windows XP you're running is displayed under System near the top of the window.

Computers running Windows Vista or Windows 7

- Click the Start button ⁽¹⁾, right-click Computer, and then click Properties.
 - If "64-bit Operating System" is listed next to System type, you're running the 64bit version of Windows Vista or Windows 7.
 - If "32-bit Operating System" is listed next to System type, you're running the 32bit version of Windows Vista or Windows 7.

The edition of Windows Vista or Windows 7 you're running is displayed under Windows edition near the top of the window.

For Windows *

Computers running Windows 8

1. On the Start Screen, click **Desktop tile**



2. Press Win key (Windows logo key) + i, then click PC info



3. You can determine whether the computer is running a 32-bit version or 64-bit version of Windows 8.

View basic information about your computer

Windows edition

Windows 8 Enterprise Evaluation

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System		
Rating:	System rating is not available	
Processor:	Intel(R) Core(TM) i5 CPU	M 460 @ 2.53GHz 2.53 GHz
Installed memory (RAM):	4.00 GB (3.68 GB usable)	
System type:	64-bit Operating System, x64-based processor	
Pen and Touch:	No pror Touch Input is available for this Display	
Computer name, domain, and	workgroup settings	
Computer name:	Acer	
Full computer name:	Acer	
Computer description:		
Workgroup:	WORKGROUP	
Windows activation		
Windows is activated View details in Windows Activation		n
Product ID: 00178-40000-00001-AA618		picohelp.com

- If "**64-bit Operating System**" is listed next to System type, you're running the 64-bit version of Windows 8.
- If "**32-bit Operating System**" is listed next to System type, you're running the 32-bit version of Windows 8.