

ARE YOU MY Infrastructure Type?

Is standard/optimized the one?

Open, are you right for me?



Some infrastructures might catch your eye with their marketplace cachet. Others are attractive because they're tried and true. But which one is the right fit for your business today — and tomorrow?



TAKE THIS SHORT QUIZ TO SEE WHICH INFRASTRUCTURE TYPE CAN HELP YOU BRING OUT THE BEST IN YOUR BUSINESS.

1

What's your implementation style?

VALUE-ADD

Standard/Optimized Infrastructure

Hardware that's loaded, configured and ready to go.



DIY

Open Infrastructure

Bare metal hardware to load and configure as needed.

How many servers do you run?

2



A <10,000

Small Web-Hosting Providers and Enterprises



B 100,000+

Typical Web-Hosting Providers



C 1,000,000 +

Cloud-Scale Providers/ Cloud Giants

3

How resilient are you?

Can your applications tolerate server downtime?

SOS!
Don't leave me now!

Is it The Worst Day Ever when a server goes down?

A **standard/optimized infrastructure** offers the support you need.



WHAT OUTAGE?

Still feel okay if one of your servers goes down?

You're probably ready for an **open infrastructure**.

Do you use built-in tools from a hardware vendor?

Like iLO, Insight or OneView.

4



YES

I <3 my hardware vendor/s.

NO

Go open source, or go home.



5

Can you redeploy staff for firmware management, driver testing or management scripts?

NO

Our core initiatives demand our total devotion.

YES

There's plenty more fish in the sea.

Is a parts-only support model good enough for you?

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NO

Not that I'm high maintenance, but I do expect a certain level of on-site support.

YES

I need space in my server support relationships.

SCORING

See where most of your answers land— on the left or the right. That's likely the best infrastructure type for you.

Standard/optimized infrastructure answers:

- 1. Value-add 2. A or B
- 3. SOS! 4. Yes 5. No 6. No



Business is so much sweeter with the right infrastructure by your side.

Open infrastructure answers:

- 1. DIY 2. B or C 3. What outage?
- 4. No 5. Yes 6. Yes