IBM WebSphere Application Server offers new socket pricing and enhanced simple load balancing; IBM WebSphere Application Server Community Edition offers new socket pricing

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### At a glance

- WebSphere® Application Server and WebSphere Application Server Community Edition offer new socket-based pricing options that can flatten the cost burden in many configurations.
- WebSphere Application Server V7.0
  - Expands simple web-server load-balancing and failover capability up to five servers
  - Provides new merge tool and documentation to help configure the failover scenarios

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### Overview

WebSphere Application Server and WebSphere Application Server Community Edition introduce new socket-based pricing.

- WebSphere Application Server now offers an option for socket-based pricing in addition to PVU-based pricing. This allows you to select the pricing option that best supports your platform choices.
- WebSphere Application Server Community Edition offers socket-based pricing for both Entry and Elite levels of support. For Community Edition, the new support options replace previous server-based pricing options.

These socket-based options more closely match your deployment and production configuration needs. Also, they provide better price/performance on newer multi-core platforms. All socket-based pricing is per Limited Use Socket.

Enhancements are also made to WebSphere Application Server V7.0 simple web-server (HTTP) load-balancing and failover capability. The WebSphere Application Server V7 license restriction of two servers is now expanded to five servers. A new merge tool and documentation streamlines the task of configuring the load-balancing capability by combining the plug-in configuration files of multiple stand-alone application server profiles into a single configuration file. Simple load-balancing distributes HTTP requests across multiple WebSphere Application Server
instances. Simple load-balancing can also handle failover of the application state that is maintained in HTTP sessions.

Concurrent with this announcement, the number of servers to which a single IBM HTTP Server plug-in can route a request has been increased. Previously, a single IBM HTTP Server was restricted to routing requests to two servers. This limit is now expanded to twenty-five WebSphere Application Servers (V7.0).

For information on the license update as well as merge tool and documentation (delivered via Fix Pack V7.0.0.13), visit

http://www.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?uid=swg24027977

For more information on WebSphere Application Server, visit

http://www-01.ibm.com/software/webservers/appserv/was/

For more information on WebSphere Application Server Community Edition, visit

http://www.ibm.com/websphere/wasce/

1 Processor Value Unit

2 An electronic component that accepts a processor chip; refer to the Ordering information section for more information.

Key prerequisites

Selected levels of:

- AIX®
- Linux®
- Solaris
- Windows®

Planned availability date

November 9, 2010

Description

WebSphere Application Server and WebSphere Application Server Community Edition offer new socket-based pricing options that include:

- Socket-based pricing options for WebSphere Application Server in addition to the current PVU-based pricing options
- Replacing server-based support pricing with socket-based support pricing for WebSphere Application Server Community Edition
- Entry and Elite support options for WebSphere Application Server Community Edition.
- Entry support option for Apache Geronimo
- Lower cost options when configuring newer multi-core environments

The new Limited Use Socket-based pricing options more closely match many deployment and production configurations. This pricing structure helps to lower costs for newer multi-core configurations. The pricing accommodates up to four sockets per server.
Updates to WebSphere Application Server V7.0 enhance simple web-server (HTTP) load-balancing and failover enabling:

- Resiliency for a broader range of application server configurations
- Simplified set up of load-balancing and failover scenarios
- Increased number of servers allowed within these scenarios

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In addition, the number of servers a single IBM HTTP Server plugin can route a request to has been expanded. A single IBM HTTP Server was previously restricted to routing requests to two servers. This limit is now increased to twenty-five WebSphere Application Servers (V7.0). You are no longer required to have multiple instances of the IBM HTTP Server to process transactions to your application servers. You can use a single IBM HTTP Server to pass transactions to the server. In this instance, the IBM HTTP Server is acting as a pass through only and not doing load-balancing or failover. Each WebSphere Application Server instance must be appropriately licensed.

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As your needs grow over time, IBM provides a path to advanced capabilities such as service-oriented architecture (SOA) through WebSphere Application Server Network Deployment configurations.

Accessibility by people with disabilities

A U.S. Section 508 Voluntary Product Accessibility Template (VPAT) containing details on accessibility compliance can be requested at


Product positioning

The WebSphere Application Server family offers multiple configuration options and support for multiple business models and deployment platforms. It also supports a wide range of scenarios, from open source projects with no up-front budget, to simple administration of a single server environment, to a clustered, highly available, high-volume environment with edge-of-network services.

WebSphere Application Server V7.0 configurations are built on a common server foundation that deliver the same full Java™ EE 5 support, including:

- Web services enhancements
- Enterprise JavaBeans™ (EJB) 3.0 support
- New management and administration core application functions across server configurations
- Feature packs available to extend SOA; deliver new standards support

This solution offers unparalleled flexibility to protect investments, allowing you to service-enable existing packaged and legacy applications, create new services, and extend your business applications to the web.
Configuration options include:

- **WebSphere Application Server V7.0**
  Optimized to ease administration in a scalable, single-server deployment environment, V7.0 supports the full Java EE 5 programming model and web services. In addition to the feature pack for Modern Batch, feature packs for OSGi Applications and JPA 2.0, XML, SCA, Web 2.0, Dynamic Scripting and Communications Enabled Applications (CEA) are also available. V7.0 delivers a secure, high-performance transaction engine for dynamic applications. Perfect for stand-alone servers, departmental applications, and web services, WebSphere Application Server offers unlimited CPUs per server and unbeatable platform coverage.

- **WebSphere Application Server Network Deployment V7.0**
  For enterprises that need near continuous availability, advanced management, and automated performance optimization for their mission-critical applications, WebSphere Application Server Network Deployment delivers an environment that is highly available, dynamically scalable, and easily managed. Building on the core WebSphere Application Server configuration, WebSphere Application Server Network Deployment offers:
  - Clustering and high-availability management to help eliminate the cost of system downtime. Edge components, which offer sophisticated load balancing, caching, and centralized security for enhanced performance at the edge of the network.
  - Advanced web services capabilities let you to connect to systems outside the firewall and across disparate application frameworks.
  - Extended web services management and advanced remote administration to make management of more complex environments less time-consuming and resource-consuming.

- **WebSphere Application Server for z/OS® V7.0**
  WebSphere Application Server for z/OS, which combines the industry-leading SOA runtime and z/OS to deliver superior customer value, is the ideal infrastructure for delivering business-critical applications. It offers the complete WebSphere Application Server common programming model in an integrated z/OS execution environment, which makes full use of the capabilities of the z/OS Sysplex.

  It is well suited for large enterprises that can leverage the z/OS qualities of service to achieve optimized performance and continuous availability for their mission-critical applications.

- **WebSphere Application Server - Express® V7.0**
  An affordable, ready-to-go solution for developing and running dynamic websites and applications. WebSphere Application Server - Express deployment environment offers outstanding capabilities for secure transaction management. It supports the full Java EE 5 programming model and includes web services support and optionally installable feature packs.

  Also included are easy-to-use integrated wizards and samples to get started quickly. WebSphere Application Server - Express is limited to single-server implementations up to a maximum number of Processor Value Units per server as referenced in the *IBM Express and Middleware Licensing Guide*.


  WebSphere Application Server - Express additionally includes a set of integrated applications, wizards, and samples to help you get up and running quickly.
• **WebSphere Application Server Community Edition**

WebSphere Application Server Community Edition can help organizations that are:

- Looking to reduce costs of tactical deployments
- Considering open source solutions for quick, frictionless access to application server technology with no upfront costs
- Want a trusted vendor to provide reliable support and an upgrade path to more advanced capabilities as needed

WebSphere Application Server Community Edition may be the right configuration if you:

- Have considerable Java skills in-house or access to Java skills through trusted partners
- Need quick, frictionless access to application server technology with no upfront costs
- Need a highly customizable application server that can be tailored to the specific needs of your particular project
- Need a small footprint application server that can be easily embedded for client solutions

• **WebSphere Application Server Hypervisor™ Edition V7.0**

WebSphere Application Server Hypervisor Edition is a special edition of WebSphere Application Server that runs on top of a hypervisor, such as IBM PowerVM™ on AIX and VMware ESX, and supports the Open Virtualization Format. Designed to reduce installation and configuration time, WebSphere Application Server Hypervisor Edition helps you rapidly deploy WebSphere-based applications in virtualized environments. WebSphere Application Server Hypervisor Edition supports both single server and cluster deployments, and works with WebSphere CloudBurst Appliance, sold separately. WebSphere CloudBurst offers enhanced value for managing patterns, standardizing a set of configurations for your data center, and managing the life cycle of your entire environment.

• **WebSphere Application Server for Developers V7.0**

The functional equivalent of the core WebSphere Application Server configuration (licensed for development use only), WebSphere Application Server for Developers is an easy-to-use development environment to build and test applications for your SOA.

WebSphere Application Server for Developer is production-ready and available at no charge without support for development use and testing on a developer's desktop. For information, visit


A supported WebSphere Application Server for Developers is available for purchase.

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**Reference information**

For information on WebSphere Application Server V7.0, refer to Software Announcement 208-266, dated September 9, 2008.

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### Additional information

For WebSphere Application Server V7 information, visit

http://www-01.ibm.com/software/webservers/appserv/was/

For WebSphere Application Server Network Deployment V7 information, visit

http://www-01.ibm.com/software/webservers/appserv/was/network/

To download a copy of WebSphere Application Server Community Edition, visit


For WebSphere Application Server Community Edition Resources on IBM Developer Works, visit

http://www.ibm.com/developerworks/websphere/zones/was/wasce.html

For WebSphere Application Server Feature Pack for Web 2.0, including support for WebSphere Application Server Community Edition, visit

http://www.ibm.com/software/webservers/appserv/was/featurepacks/web20/

### Offering Information

Product information is available via the Offering Information website

http://www.ibm.com/common/ssi

Also, visit the Passport Advantage® website

http://www.ibm.com/software/passportadvantage
Publications

For the WebSphere Application Server documentation library, visit

http://www-01.ibm.com/software/webservers/appserv/was/library/v70/

Product documentation for WebSphere Application Server Community Edition in HTML format is available at

http://publib.boulder.ibm.com/wasce

Topics covered include:

- Quick start
- Choosing your strategy
- Concepts
- Tasks
- Reference
- Frequently asked questions

Technical information

Specified operating environment

Hardware and software requirements
For hardware and software requirements for WebSphere Application Server V7, refer to Software Announcement 208-266, dated September 9, 2008.

Detailed system requirements for all editions of WebSphere Application Server can be found online at

http://www.ibm.com/support/docview.wss?rs=180&uid=swg27006921


For complete and up-to-date requirements, visit

http://www.ibm.com/software/webservers/appserv/community/sysreq/

Software requirements
The program's specifications and specified operating environment information may be found in documentation accompanying the program, if available, such as a README file, or other information published by IBM, such as an announcement letter. Documentation and other program content may be supplied only in the English language.

Companion products
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Complementing WebSphere Application Server Community Edition, other WebSphere Application Server configurations are built on a common server foundation that delivers the full Java EE 5 platform (plus extensions), the Java SE 6 Developer environment, and a core set of application server function. This common codebase
across the other WebSphere Application Server configurations offers unparalleled flexibility to develop applications without the cost of architecture rework.

WebSphere Application Server configurations include:

**WebSphere Application Server Community Edition**

WebSphere Application Server Community Edition is the IBM open source-based application server that supports the full Java Extended Edition (Java EE) 5 standard. Built on Apache Geronimo and integrated with best-of-breed open source technology such as Apache Tomcat, Eclipse, and Apache Derby, the application server is available at no charge and backed by world-class support options from IBM. The flexible remote support options allow you to purchase the right level of support to meet your individual needs.

**WebSphere Application Server -- Express**

WebSphere Application Server Express helps you deliver efficient business applications to speed response and cut costs. You can leverage the latest technologies such as Java EE 5, Web 2.0, Web services support and integrated tooling to quickly build the applications and services you need at a lower cost. Start up is also simplified with easy-to-use integrated wizards.

For details, visit


**WebSphere Application Server**

WebSphere Application Server provides the availability and security your business depends on while optimizing cost. You can build, deploy and manage robust, agile and reusable SOA business applications and services of all types while reducing application infrastructure costs with WebSphere Application Server. You can fully utilize diverse developer skills with a comprehensive set of open standards-based programming models: JEE5, JSE6, CEA, JPA, SAML, SCA, SDO, SIP, Web 2.0, and XML.

For details, visit

[http://www.ibm.com/software/webservers/appserv/was/](http://www.ibm.com/software/webservers/appserv/was/)

**WebSphere Application Server Network Deployment**

WebSphere Application Server Network Deployment helps you with applications that are secure and available. Through advanced clustering, data replication services and unique workload distribution, you will see faster application response and less waiting. Security domains prevent costly security breaches. Enterprises that need advanced management, high availability, and automated performance optimization for their mission-critical applications can efficiently develop innovative applications through comprehensive support of open standards and programming models, including

- JEE5
- JSE6
- OSGi
- CEA
- JPA,
- SAML
- SCA
- SDO
- SIP
- Web 2.0
• XML

For details, visit

http://www.ibm.com/software/webservers/appserv/was/network

For more information on WebSphere Application Server configuration options, visit

http://www.ibm.com/software/webservers/appserv/was/

Planning information

Packaging
WebSphere Application Server Community Edition is distributed as a single package containing:

• Quick Start CD, which includes a readme file, quick start guide, and installation and configuration guide
• IBM program package on CD media
• Program Directory
• Proof of Entitlement
• License Information

For details of WebSphere Application Server V7.0 packaging, refer to Software Announcement 208-266, dated September 9, 2008.

Software Services

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**Charge metric definitions**

**Limited Use Socket**

Limited Use Socket is a unit of measure by which the program can be licensed. A Limited Use Socket is an electronic circuitry that accepts a processor chip that meets the maximum processor cores per socket authorized use terms and conditions in the *IBM Express and Middleware Licensing Guide* at


A server is a physical computer that is comprised of processing units, memory, and input/output capabilities and that executes requested procedures, commands, or applications for one or more users or client devices. Where racks, blade enclosures, or other similar equipment is being employed, each separable physical device (for example, blade or a rack-mounted device) that has the required components is considered itself a separate server. A processor chip is electronic circuitry containing one or more processor cores that plugs into a socket. A processor core is a functional unit within a computing device that interprets and executes program instructions, and consists of at least an instruction control unit and one or more arithmetic or logic units. Licensee must obtain entitlements for each socket on the server on which the program is installed.

If the program is eligible for sub-capacity licensing, licensee may be permitted to license less than all sockets on the server. Sub-capacity licensing terms, conditions and eligibility requirements for Limited Use Socket-licensed programs are described in the *sub-capacity guide* at


If licensee's use of the program is not eligible for sub-capacity licensing based on these terms and conditions, Licensee must acquire Limited Use Socket entitlements for all sockets on the server on which the program is installed. The Limited Use Socket entitlements are specific to the Program and may not be exchanged, interchanged, or aggregated with Limited Use Socket entitlements of another software program.
**Processor Value Unit**

Processor Value Unit (PVU) is a unit of measure by which the program can be licensed. The number of PVU entitlements required is based on the processor technology (defined within the PVU Table by Processor Value, Brand, Type and Model Number [http://www.ibm.com/software/lotus/passportadvantage/pvu_licensing_for_customers.html]) and the number of processors made available to the program. IBM continues to define a processor, for the purpose of PVU-based licensing, to be each processor core on a chip. A dual-core processor chip, for example, has two processor cores.

Licensee can deploy the program using either full-capacity licensing or Virtualization Capacity (Sub-Capacity) licensing according to the Passport Advantage Sub-Capacity Licensing Terms (see webpage below). If using full-capacity licensing, licensee must obtain PVU entitlements sufficient to cover all activated processor cores* in the physical hardware environment made available to or managed by the program, except for those servers from which the program has been permanently removed. If using Virtualization Capacity licensing, licensee must obtain entitlements sufficient to cover all activated processor cores made available to or managed by the program, as defined according to the Virtualization Capacity License Counting Rules at [http://www.ibm.com/software/lotus/passportadvantage/Counting_Software_licenses_using_specific_virtualization_technologies.html](http://www.ibm.com/software/lotus/passportadvantage/Counting_Software_licenses_using_specific_virtualization_technologies.html)

* An Activated processor core is a processor core that is available for use in a physical or virtual server, regardless of whether the capacity of the processor core can be or is limited through virtualization technologies, operating system commands, BIOS settings, or similar restrictions.

**Notes**

Some programs may require licenses for the program and what is being managed. In that case, the following applies: In addition to the entitlements required for the program directly, licensee must obtain PVU entitlements for this program sufficient to cover the processor cores managed by the program.

Some programs may be licensed on a managed basis only. In that case, the following applies: Instead of the entitlements required for the program directly, licensee must obtain PVU entitlements for this program sufficient to cover the processor cores managed by the program.

A few programs on an exception basis may be licensed on a referenced basis. In that case, the following applies: Rather than obtaining entitlements for the activated processor cores available to the program, licensee must obtain PVU entitlements for this program sufficient to cover the environment made available to the Referenced program as if the program itself were executing everywhere the Referenced program was executing, independent of the basis on which the Referenced program is licensed.

Express and Workgroup programs may be licensed with maximum use terms. In that case, the following applies: The maximum authorized use terms and conditions for PVU licensed IBM Express and Middleware programs can be found in the IBM Express and Middleware Licensing Guide.

**Server**

Server is a unit of measure by which the program can be licensed. A Server is a physical computer that is comprised of processing units, memory, and input/output capabilities and that executes requested procedures, commands, or applications for one or more users or client devices. Where racks, blade enclosures, or other similar equipment is being employed, each separable physical device (for example, a blade or a rack-mounted device) that has the required components is considered itself a separate Server. For the purpose of Server-based licensing, licensee must obtain entitlements for each Server which is made available to the program, regardless
of the number of processor cores and/or partitions in the Server or the number of
copies of the program on the server.

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Cross-platform product for use on System z Integrated Facility for Linux (IFL) engines

Order the part numbers that follow when the product is intended to run on the Linux operating system on System z IFL engines. If the product is not intended to run on the Linux operating system on System z IFL engines, order from the other set of part numbers in this announcement. This set of part numbers provides the identical supply and authorization as the other set in this announcement.

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**Limited warranty applies**

Yes

**Money-back guarantee**

If for any reason you are dissatisfied with the program and you are the original licensee, you may obtain a refund of the amount you paid for it, if within 30 days of your invoice date you return the program and its PoE to the party from whom you obtained it. If you downloaded the program, you may contact the party from whom you acquired it for instructions on how to obtain the refund.
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**Volume orders (IVO)**
No

**Passport Advantage applies**
Yes, and through the Passport Advantage website at
http://www.ibm.com/software/passportadvantage

**Usage restriction**
Yes

**Software Subscription and Support (Software Maintenance) applies**
No

**System i Software Maintenance applies**
No

**Variable charges apply**
No

**Educational allowance available**
Not applicable.

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**Prices**

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