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>> SOLUTION BRIEF

Manage IBM software licensing requirements with ease

Be audit ready with the IBM-certified ILMT alternative

Effective management of your hybrid technology portfolio needs to evolve at the pace of change. The technology world is not stationary. Neither is your IT infrastructure—it's always advancing. Visibility and insight into the hybrid estate are foundational to strategic, proactive management.

Unexpected and unplanned costs increase exposure

The world has moved from on-premises process value unit (PVU)-based licensing to software being bought, sold, managed and secured across on-premises, hybrid, SaaS, container and cloud environments. What's more, vendors are shifting their licensing and auditing accordingly, requiring customers to have even more detailed views of their consumption.

For many organizations, IBM represents one of the top vendors in terms of software spend. To get the most value, most customers opt to deploy IBM's subcapacity licensing models. Sub-capacity licensing typically requires proof of IBM compliance on a periodic basis. With 40 percent of organizations having spent more than \$1 million as a result of audits by vendors in the past three years (2022 Flexera State of ITAM Report), getting true insight into vendor entitlements and consumption is more important than ever.

Reduce risk and use resources efficiently

Flexera is uniquely partnered with IBM to enhance the customer experience for license consumption reporting with technology intelligence that drives action. With **Flexera One Select** for IBM, you can confidently address both today's and tomorrow's licensing challenges.

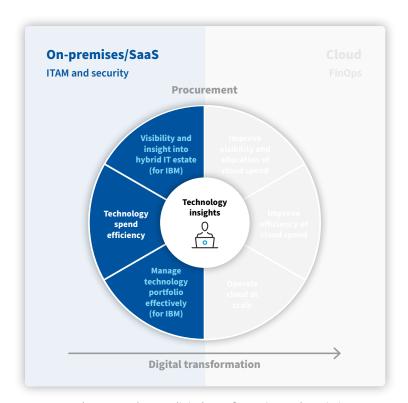
Flexera One Select for IBM enables customers to maintain an inventory of IBM software to manage IBM licensing requirements. This includes the ability to measure both full capacity and virtualization (subcapacity) IBM software. Flexera works extensively with IBM to ensure you have the compliance reports you need, including peak and current consumption.

Finally, you can stay in compliance with IBM without having to deploy the IBM License Metric Tool (ILMT), making it much easier to take advantage of the cost benefits of IBM's sub-capacity licensing. And with Flexera One, you can expand your optimization opportunities to other major vendors like Oracle, Microsoft, SAP and Salesforce to stay in compliance and reduce licensing costs across your software portfolio.

Get more value by doing less

In addition to Flexera One being a certified ILMT alternative, **Flexera One Select** for IBM offers many benefits over ILMT, including:

- Reduced administration—Flexera One's SaaS-based delivery reduces the administrative overhead of maintaining ILMT's on-premises footprint
- Actual license position reporting—Flexera One maps IBM inventory to IBM entitlements and even integrates with IBM License Service (ILS), so you'll know if you're over or underdeployed; import purchase orders from Passport Advantage or procurement solutions, so you know what you deployed compared to what you bought
- Compliance reporting—Flexera One provides out-of-the-box IBM license compliance reporting, including peak consumption and current consumption
- Minimize license requirements—Flexera One's extensive knowledge of IBM product use rights enables you to minimize your required licenses, for example, by applying disaster recovery use rights

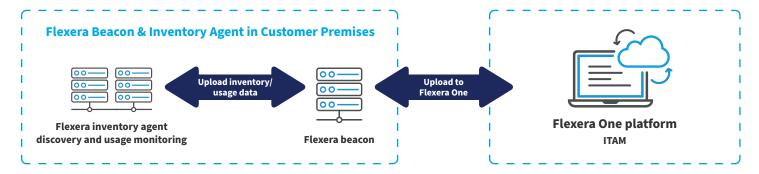


Flexera accelerates digital transformation and maximizes the value of your technology

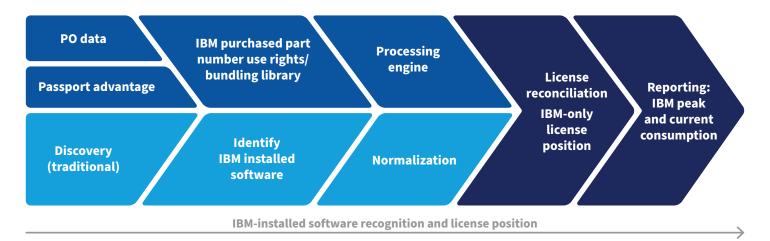
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Our choice for this tool was based upon our need for IBM reporting. Using another tool would have required us to continue with a separate tool for IBM reporting for sub-capacity licensing requirements. We are currently in the process of getting the tool configured and information transferred over. Based on the initial usage of the tool, we are very satisfied with its overall performance."

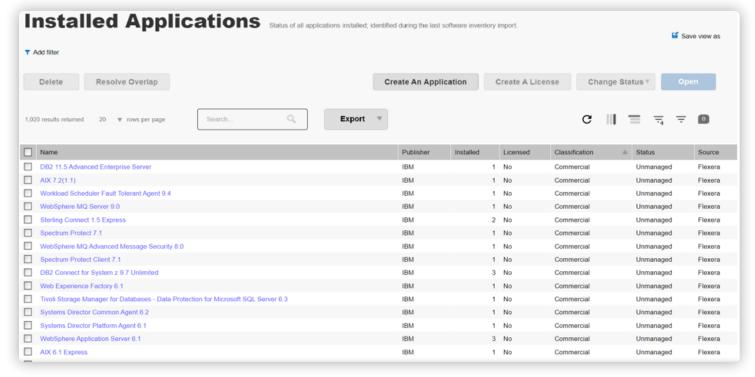
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Manage the technology portfolio effectively across the hybrid IT estate with Flexera One

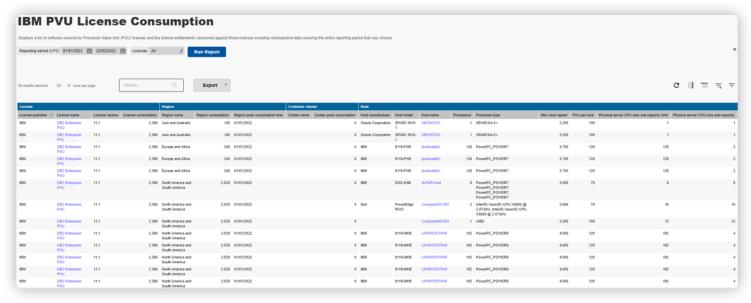


IBM-installed application recognition report

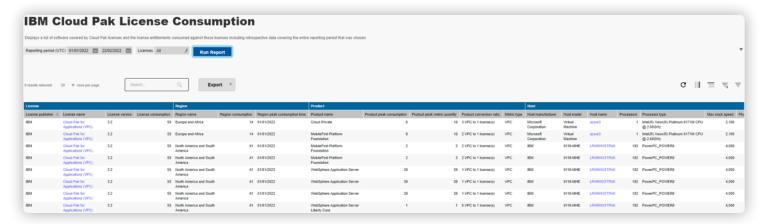


Easily view all installed IBM applications

IBM license peak consumption reports



View peak and current consumption reports to understand sub-capacity licensing



View IBM Cloud Pak container environments

Expand beyond IBM with Flexera One

Vendor-specific compliance solutions limit your ability to gain visibility into the entire estate. The benefit of Flexera One is breadth and scale across your technology investments. With Flexera One, you can achieve negotiation readiness with

Microsoft, Oracle, SAP, Salesforce and more. Flexera One delivers hybrid IT optimization, enabling you to optimize the value of your technology across software, SaaS and the cloud.

Flexera One IT Visibility FinOps Cloud Cost Optimization Cloud Migration Flexera One ITAM Software Asset Management SaaS Management Request and reclamation Hardware asset management IBM discovery, normalization IBM license position ILMT alternative

Flexera One is built for your organizational needs

With the full features of the Flexera One ITAM offering, additional benefits are available, including:

- Optimization across the software and SaaS portfolio
- IBM licensing in Kubernetes containers
- End-of-life data for IBM and other vendors
- License position reporting for organizational structures (business units, cost centers, locations)
- Automation across business data workflow and user licensing assignments

- Chargeback/showback for stakeholder reporting
- Contract management to manage renewal cycles across all your vendors
- Reclamation of unused software and subscriptions

Gain a confident view of your top vendors

With **Flexera One Select** for IBM, you control your IBM estate. From usage and consumption to risk and compliance, **Flexera One Select** for IBM provides what you need to manage one of your top vendors. Not only can you substitute IBM's ILMT tool with a SaaS-based alternative, but you'll also be prepared to handle any audits thrown your way. Are you looking to get insights into more than just IBM? Check out Flexera One ITAM, which covers all your top vendors.

About Flexera

Flexera delivers SaaS-based IT management solutions that enable enterprises to accelerate digital transformation and multiply the value of their technology investments. We help organizations *inform their IT* with definitive visibility into complex hybrid IT ecosystems, providing unparalleled IT insights that allow them to seize technology opportunities. And we help them *transform their IT* with tools that deliver actionable intelligence across an ever-increasing range of dimensions to effectively manage, govern and optimize their hybrid IT estate.

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