



The benefits of Veeam over Veritas Backup Exec

Veritas Backups Exec is a historic backup vendor that may provide some benefits such as:



Data protection for a broad set of workloads



Global deduplication



Console interface is available in different of languages

However, shortcomings often outweigh benefits and limitations must be considered. Shortcomings include:



Lack of functionality. Fail to achieve the sub-hour RPO that your critical data requires, as Backup Exec offers only basic backup and lacks CDP, VM replication, and storage snapshot. Risk lengthening downtime after data loss, as you may lack the right recovery option, due to Backup Exec's limited recovery features (i.e. no cross-platform recovery, no instant recovery for non-VM workloads). Invest in a basic data loss insurance that uses backups only for recovery (i.e. unsatisfactory recoverability verification, no on-demand sandbox).



Complexity. Spend more time managing backup due to cumbersome wizards and the requirement to use multiple products. (i.e. other products for native cloud instances and workstations protection, CDP, or storage snapshots). Backup Exec's lack of functionality forces you to manually perform tasks or create scripts (i.e. agents for app-awareness, lack of ransomware scanning, unsatisfactory recoverability verification). Risk ripping-and-replacing Backup Exec as your data grows, due to its architectural limits.



Lack of scalability. Risk outgrowing your backup product as Backup Exec's has scalability limits. Its all-in-one architecture forces you to deploy full backup servers even if you only need light proxies. Struggle with performance at scale too, as Backup Exec lacks the functionalities that optimize backup and restore speed (i.e. no storage snapshot-based backup or restore). Managing large environments may also be a challenge due to Backup Exec's basic centralized management, insufficient monitoring and reporting, and need for backup agents for app-awareness. If you surpass Backup Exec's capabilities, you will have to endure the inconvenience of replacing it entirely, as there is no migration option to NBU.



Lack of data mobility. Restrict your capacity to move individual backup files within your system because they depend on deduplication catalogs (deduplication catalogs are single points of failure). Lengthen downtime if the original workload platform is unavailable, as Backup Exec lacks cross-platform recovery (i.e. no ability to recover VMware to AWS, or AWS to Hyper-V).



Investment risk. Invest in a solution that is unlikely to keep up with your data growth and evolving needs. Backup Exec's lack of scalability means that you will have to rip-and-replace it. Rarely get new capabilities as Veritas shifted focus to NetBackup and is not committed to developing Backup Exec (see their [past releases of major functionalities](#)). Get very limited user resources and support for Backup Exec, as Veritas has less than 300 employees working on Backup Exec ([LinkedIn](#)).



Veeam is a simpler yet more powerful solution that scales as you grow

To appreciate how restrictive Veritas Backup Exec's capabilities are, it helps to understand the benefits that Veeam brings to your environment. Veeam is:



Powerful.

Deliver any RPO from seconds to years (CDP, VM replication, snapshots, backup, archive built into one product) and achieve even the lowest RTO (instant recovery for all workloads, cross-platform recovery, agentless app-item recovery). Get more from your backups than basic restore (recoverability verification, ransomware scanning, sandboxes to reuse backups for business purposes).



Simple.

Spend less time managing backup thanks to intuitive wizards and an integrated product that protects virtual, physical, and cloud workloads and addresses all major use cases (CDP, snapshot, disaster recovery, data reuse). Built-in advanced functionalities also eliminate manual work and scripts. Unlimited scalability enables you to keep the same product to protect data, no matter how it grows.



Scalable.

Easily scale your backup solution as your data grows and know that you will not outgrow your backup solution. Easily add only computing power or storage as needed instead of deploying full all-in-one backup servers each time, thanks to Veeam's modular architecture. Easily manage backup at scale with an intuitive centralized management, advanced monitoring and reporting, and agentless VM backup and restore. Ensure performance at scale with functionalities like storage snapshot-based backup and restore and scale-out backup repositories. Use the same product to protect 10 VMs or 10,000 VMs (no painful process of ripping-and-replacing it).



Portable (Data mobility).

Eliminate dependence on a single technology, as you can move data across platforms. Store backups on any cloud or on-premises repositories, and easily copy or move backups across locations and storage technologies without losing backup files or restore capabilities, [thanks to Veeam's portable backup format](#). Finally, minimize downtime after disaster if the original platform is no longer available by restoring backups to another platform, thanks to Veeam's cross-platform recovery.



Safe.

Invest in a backup software that will preserve its value over time, thanks to regular major releases to keep protecting you as your IT evolves, whether you need new capabilities or to protect new types of workloads. Be autonomous, thanks to Veeam's numerous user resources (i.e. [how-to videos](#), [technical blog posts](#), [demos](#), [active forums](#))



Trusted.

With over a decade of data protection experience, Veeam is trusted by more than 450,000 customers globally and maintains a [customer satisfaction score of 75](#) – that is 3.5x the industry average. Don't just take our word for it, read through the 2,200+ verified 5-star reviews from your colleagues on [Gartner Peer Insights](#), [G2](#) and [TrustRadius](#).

The choice is clear

Don't settle for an outdated backup solution that requires separate products to offer the same capabilities that Veeam offers right out of the box. Veeam's modern software-defined backup solution can provide you with the powerful capabilities you need to protect your modern data center.

No matter the data, see the simplicity and true power of Veeam for yourself. Download a [trial](#) or get a [demo!](#) Learn why 450,000+ organizations trust Veeam in your peers' 2,200+ 5-star reviews ([Gartner](#), [G2](#), [TrustRadius](#)).