

The benefits of Veeam over Veritas NetBackup

Veritas NetBackup is a historic backup vendor that offers data protection software, appliances and global data management that may provide some benefits such as:



Data protection for a broad set of workloads.



All-in-one appliances.



Complete data management solutions.

However, the shortcomings of Veritas NetBackup compared to Veeam can often outweigh the benefits and such limitations must be considered carefully. Major shortcomings of Veritas NetBackup include:



Complexity. Spend more time managing backup. NetBackup is more cumbersome to deploy, as evidenced by the expertise and Professional Services needed to set advanced features up. NetBackup is more complex to manage than Veeam too, due to the different consoles needed for different workloads or features (java, web, restore tool, and cmd consoles, compared to VBR's single console). NetBackup's backup and restore agents also increase Administrators' workload. Lastly, the absence of certain features in NetBackup necessitates manual tasks or the use of scripts (i.e. recovery verification, instant recovery).



Costly licensing. Pay more to protect the same amount of data, due to NetBackup's capacity-based licensing. The amount of data increases more rapidly than the number of instances, which means you will need to purchase additional licenses compared to Veeam. The list price for capacity-based licenses is significantly higher than Veeam's equivalent instance-based licenses. Risk being audited by Veritas and receiving an unexpected true-up bill, as you may unintentionally exceed the number of licenses you have paid for, as NetBackup lacks license enforcement mechanisms and regularly audits Enterprise customers.



Lack of functionality. Risk lengthening downtime after experiencing a data loss, as you may lack the right recovery option to restore the right data to the right place in the right way, as NetBackup offers fewer restore features (i.e. no cross-platform restore, complex bare-metal restore, limited instant recovery capabilities). Invest in a basic data loss insurance that uses backups only for recovery.



Appliances focus. Risk locking yourself into NetBackup appliances, as some features are available only with NetBackup appliances (i.e. Oracle co-pilot, WAN optimization), and as Veritas Sales teams aggressively promote NetBackup appliances to downplay the complexity of the overall solution. Moreover, NetBackup's appliances portfolio may be confusing with a variety of models.



Backup Administrator dependency. Become too dependent on NetBackup Administrators. Without their expertise, your IT staff is unlikely to successfully restore data (convoluted consoles and restore wizards). If the NetBackup expert unexpectedly departs, your data protection will be unsupervised for a while (high learning curve for new Administrators. The new Administrator may struggle to understand how his predecessor configured NetBackup).



Veeam is a simpler and more affordable software-defined solution

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



Simple.

Spend less time managing backup. Veeam is simpler than NetBackup to setup, enabling users to set advanced features up themselves. Veeam is easier to manage too, as advanced features eliminate manual work and scripts (i.e. advanced recoverability verification, agentless app-item restore), and everything is done via a single console (vs NetBackup's Java, web, restore tool, and cmd consoles). Veeam simplifies data recovery too, with an intuitive search and more restore options.



Powerful.

Minimize downtime thanks to an intuitive search and the ability to restore the right data to the right place in the right manner (broadest set of restore options). Get more from your backups than basic restore (advanced recoverability verification, ransomware scanning, automated backup tiering, sandboxes to reuse backups for business purposes).



No Administrator dependency.

Ensure the resiliency of your data protection strategy, as Backup neophytes can easily recover data without the help of a backup expert, thanks to the intuitive restore portal and main console (easy navigation and restore wizards). Veeam's low learning curve, intuitive console, and clear job settings descriptions make it easy for new Administrators to understand how backup is configured, to maintain it, or modify it.



Affordable.

Pay less to protect the same amount of data, with Veeam's instance-based licensing. Buy fewer licenses than with NetBackup as data grows, since the number of instances grows less than the amount of data. Indeed, Veeam's instance-based licenses cost several times less than NetBackup's equivalent capacity-based licenses. Protect yourself from licenses over usage, as Veeam warns you if you use more licenses than paid for and gives you a buffer of extra licenses while stopping your over usage.



Fully storage-agnostic.

Store backups on existing or new storage (70 + different hardware providers). Align your storage to your budget and business needs. Most functionalities are available no matter the hardware. Group different hardware together in a single backup repository to maximize your storage capacity. Decommission hardware easily. Tier your backups based on your various service level agreements (SLAs).



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

Veeam's simplicity enables you to efficiently protect your data, so that you can focus on modernizing your IT.

No matter the data, see the simplicity and true power of Veeam for yourself. Download a <u>trial</u> or get a <u>demo!</u>
Learn why 450,000+ organizations trust Veeam in your peers' 2,200+ 5-star reviews (<u>Gartner</u>, <u>G2</u>, <u>TrustRadius</u>).
Learn why organizations like <u>Leng-d'Or</u> chose Veeam over Veritas NetBackup.