

Real World Cloud Experience

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Which Cloud?

Microsoft Azure, QC Networks or Private Cloud Provider

Office Decision

Determine which service fits your office culture and budget.

Travis and Vikki chose QC Networks. Vikki was using their backup solution. Travis chose based on Chapter 13 Trustee experience.

Chris chose 11:11 based on positive experience with their backup product.



Pros - QC



No investment in new servers. Hardware prices are rising fast.

Fixed monthly cost.

Backup costs included in monthly cost.

No need for server room AC.

Servers stored in secure locations on separate sides of the USA.

Backup VPN available.

QC familiar with 13Software. Can provide limited assistance in case of emergency.

Pros – 11:11 Chris Smith



Eliminated VMWare price increase.

Cloud and firewalls managed by 11:11.

New datacenter with scheduled equipment refreshes.

Backup costs included in monthly cost.

No need for server room AC.

IaaS cloud on East Coast. DraaS on West Coast.

Granular restores.

24/7 monitoring and support.

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Cons



Internet bandwidth must be high.

Must have an internet connection to use cloud services in office.

May lose speed with some processes if RAM and CPU decrease.

Legacy merge files work better on local storage.

Rely on small staff working in different time zone.(QC)

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Transition Issues



Down time needed to move from office servers to cloud.

Private cloud provider requires strict project management protocol.

Scheduling meetings for all parties can be complicated.

Test everything before allowing staff to connect.

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Conclusions

Dinosaurs didn't use Cloud Services and they're extinct. Don't be a dinosaur.

Lower cost
than on
premise
servers

Available if
your office
experiences a
power outage

Additional
support is a
welcome
feature