

Novell's Linux desktop migration Phase 2

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"The Waltham, Massachusetts-based software vendor's Linux desktop migration began in 2004 and overachieved on its phase-one goals, the company's chief information officer, Debra Anderson told ComputerWire.

"This year we're moving more aggressively," Anderson said. "We want to get 100% of Novell on a Linux desktop, including dual-boot, and the second part is to drive a single Linux image and have 80% by the end of the year turn off Windows.""

"Most of the users are moving to Novell Linux Desktop, launched in November 2004, and some in engineering are on SUSE Linux 9.2 to meet additional development requirements. Anderson estimated in September 2004 that Novell had made savings of about \$900,000 on Microsoft Windows and Office license and maintenance savings from the move."

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