

Ad-free Opera browser up to 3 million downloads -- and counting

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Opera's browser seems to be music to the ears of Internet surfers. After the Oslo-based company served up about 1 million browser downloads in the first two days following its launch of the ad- and license-free Opera v8.5, some 3 million additional copies were downloaded in next two weeks.

The average daily download rate quadruples the previous rate achieved before Opera 8.0, the company says. Opera 8 used banner ads and required a paid license from users who wanted to dispense with them.

According to server logs, a majority of v8.5 downloads have come from Internet Explorer users, according to the company.

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