

Pros and Cons of a Ubuntu Rolling Release

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Recently, many people have speculated that Ubuntu might be rethinking its current development cycle. Basically, the word is that Ubuntu might find itself evolving into a rolling release distribution.

Abandoning its current time-based distribution cycle would translate into a host of new challenges for developers and users alike.

What would happen if Ubuntu decided to go with a rolling release and then major updates for their long-term support releases? If Ubuntu was to take such an approach in the near future, despite current claims, what would this look like?

Rolling Release Fallout

When it comes to a rolling release, stability tends to take second place to a bleeding-edge experience. Some would argue that a rolling release deals with bugs and instability by offering a rapid bug fix because updates are just "released" without a set schedule. And to a degree, this is true.

But for the casual user, it still presents a problem.

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