

Neverinstall vs Omnissa Horizon.

With Horizon 8, your team runs the Connection Servers, Unified Access Gateways and the vSphere underneath. With Neverinstall, we run the broker, gateway, scaling and monitoring.

Move one user group before the renewal date.

Side by side: What your team runs, and where desktops live

	Omnissa Horizon	Neverinstall
Control plane	Horizon 8: your team runs Connection Servers and Unified Access Gateways, plus App Volumes and Dynamic Environment Manager where used. Horizon Cloud: Omnissa hosts the control plane and your team deploys Horizon Edge appliances into its own capacity.	Neverinstall runs the broker, gateway, Management Console, scaling and monitoring. There is no control-plane server for your team to size, patch or back up.
Where desktops run	Horizon 8 on vSphere or Nutanix AHV, and on VMware-based cloud services. Horizon Cloud on Azure, vSphere or Horizon 8 pods.	Neverinstall Cloud, your account on OCI, Google Cloud, Azure or AWS, or your own servers with Neverinstall Private Cloud.
Protocol and transport	Blast Extreme or PCoIP, with a Horizon Agent on every desktop.	Standard RDP to the desktop. In the browser, sessions run over WebTransport on 4 separate streams for video, input, audio and bulk data, and fall back to WebSocket where WebTransport is blocked.
Clients	Horizon Client on each device. Omnissa notes that the installed client has more features than the browser.	Any modern browser, with H.264 4:4:4, multiple monitors, microphone, webcam and printing. Standard RDP clients and thin clients also connect.
Licensing	Subscription only: Horizon Term or Horizon SaaS editions, for named or concurrent users.	One price per user per month, starting with a single group on monthly billing. Infrastructure and third-party licenses are listed separately.

Omnissa facts are from Omnissa documentation and TechZone, checked September 2026.

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Where Neverinstall differs.

The service is ours to run	Neverinstall runs the broker, gateway, scaling and monitoring. Your team keeps images and access policy, with no Connection Servers or gateway appliances to patch.
The full desktop in a browser	Multiple monitors, microphone, webcam and printing work in the browser, over 4 separate WebTransport streams. Users need no Horizon Client.
Desktops and servers on one platform	Where desktops must stay on your premises, they run on Neverinstall Private Cloud, which also runs your Virtual Machines, storage and networks. Leaving Horizon and leaving vSphere can be one project.