

IDC: Client Devices to Reach New Heights

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IDC reports global Q2 2014 thin client and terminal client device shipments total 1.4 million units, a 10.8% Y-o-Y increase. The analyst also forecasts 2014 shipments will reach 5.8m with 6.2%, before growing to 7.6m by 2018.

"As expected, enterprise client device shipments expanded from the previous quarter by 9%, with Dell being the major player with 14.3% Q-o-Q growth. Not only the thin clients, but terminal client shipments also saw a notable 31% increase from the previous quarter," IDC adds.

Worldwide Enterprise Client Device Unit Shipments, Market Share, and Year-Over-Year Growth, Second Quarter 2014

Vendors	2Q14 Unit Shipments	2Q14 Market Share	2Q13 Unit Shipments	2Q13 Market Share	2Q14/2Q13 Growth
1. DellWyse	405,684	28.8%	300,503	23.6%	35.0%
2. HP	372,707	26.5%	331,254	26.1%	12.5%
3. NComputing	163,575	11.6%	229,405	18.0%	-28.6%
4. Centerm	94,228	6.7%	66,981	5.3%	40.6%
5. Igel	60,526	4.3%	54,603	4.3%	-10.8%
Total Market	1,408,852	100%	1,271,057	100%	10.8%

Source: IDC's Worldwide Quarterly Enterprise Client Device Tracker, Q2 2014.

Thin clients make the vast majority (97%) of client devices, with "major" 14.5% Y-o-Y shipment growth. Terminal clients are also up with 31.5% Q-o-Q growth and shipments reaching 42964 units. Standalone clients are the most popular with 88.6% overall market share.

Zero clients hold 27.9% thin client share, a 22.8% Q-o-Q increase. Windows Embedded thin clients are the largest with 41.6% share.

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As for vendors Dell makes it to top place with 28.8% global market share. HP follows with 26.5% share, even if it is 1st in 4 out of 8 geographic regions, while NComputing remains 3rd at 11.6% share.

In 4th and 5th places are Centerm and Igel (a strong contender in W. Europe, with 89.6% of shipments concentrated there) respectively.

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