

ThinkSystem SR950 Sets World Record with New SAP BW Edition for SAP HANA (1.3B Records) Benchmark Result

Performance Benchmark Result

Lenovo ThinkSystem SR950 using Intel Xeon Platinum 8280L processors delivers world record performance for the throughput KPI for SAP Business Warehouse, edition for SAP HANA® Standard Application Benchmark Version 3 with 1.3 billion (1.3B) initial records in a single-node setup.



The benchmark refers to the SAP Business Warehouse (SAP BW) application running on the SAP HANA platform. The benchmark consists of three phases and the SR950 server achieved the following performance results (1):

- **Phase 1: Data load phase = 12,145** (Runtime of last Data Set in seconds)
- **Phase 2: Query throughput phase = 11,620** (Query Executions per Hour)
- **Phase 3: Query runtime phase = 81** (Total Runtime of complex query phase in seconds)

The SR950 was configured as follows:

- Four Intel Xeon Platinum 8280L Processors, 2.70 GHz
 - 112 total cores / 224 total threads
 - 64 KB L1 cache and 1024 KB L2 cache per core
 - 38.5 MB L3 cache per processor
- 1.5 TB DRAM system memory
- SUSE Linux Enterprise Server 15 SP1
- SAP HANA 2.0
- SAP NetWeaver 7.50

Results referenced are current as of January 28, 2021. For the latest SAP BW benchmark results, visit: <https://www.sap.com/dmc/exp/2018-benchmark-directory/#/bwh>.

(1) This benchmark fully complies with the SAP Benchmark Council regulations and has been audited and certified by SAP SE (certification number [2021010](#)). Details can be obtained from Lenovo and SAP. The benchmark was performed at the Lenovo Data Center Performance Lab in Walldorf, Germany, by Lenovo engineers. Configuration: ThinkSystem SR950 with 4 processor / 112 cores / 224 threads, Intel Xeon Platinum 8280L processors, 2.70 GHz, 64 KB L1 cache and 1024 KB L2 cache per core, 38.5 MB L3 cache per processor, 1,536 GB DRAM.

About the ThinkSystem SR950

Lenovo ThinkSystem SR950 is designed for your most demanding, mission-critical workloads, such as in-memory databases, large transactional databases, batch and real-time analytics, ERP, CRM, and virtualized server workloads. The powerful 4U ThinkSystem SR950 can grow from two to eight second-generation Intel Xeon Scalable Family processors, and with 96 DIMM sockets, supports up to 24 TB of high-speed memory. The modular design of SR950 speeds upgrades and servicing with easy front or rear access to all major subsystems to maximize server availability. The ThinkSystem SR950 also supports Intel Optane DC Persistent Memory delivering a new, flexible tier of memory designed specifically for data center workloads that offer an unprecedented combination of high-capacity, affordability and persistence.

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About the SAP BW edition for SAP HANA Benchmark

The SAP BW, edition for SAP HANA Standard Application Benchmark, Version 3, is the latest addition to the list of benchmarks for SAP Business Warehouse. It utilizes the capabilities of SAP HANA to process the benchmark workload. Allowed data volumes are a multiple of 1.3 billion initial records and can be run in single-node and multi-node setups. This benchmark was released in July 2018.

The benchmark scenario represents typical mid-size customer scenario and volumes for SAP BW running on SAP HANA. The benchmark simulates a variety of users with different analytical requirements and measures the key performance indicator (KPI) relevant to each of the three benchmark phases.

The three benchmark phases are as follows:

1. Data load phase, testing data latency and load performance
2. Query throughput phase, testing query throughput with moderate complex queries
3. Query runtime phase, testing the performance of running very complex queries

For more information about the benchmark, go to <https://www.sap.com/about/benchmark.html>.

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