

Simpler, Comprehensive Data Protection for Microsoft Office 365

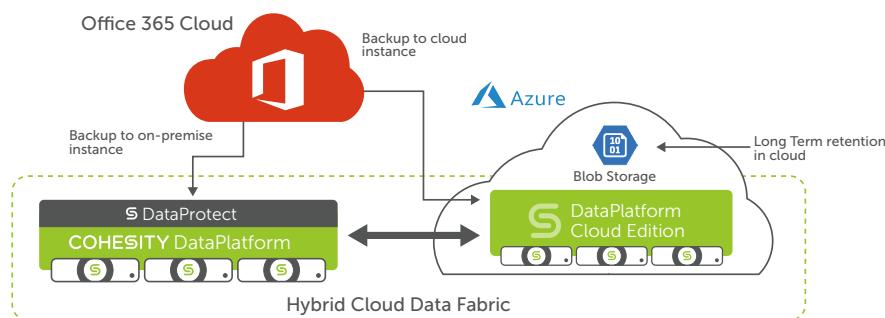
A growing number of enterprises are empowering their employees to work anytime, anywhere by adopting Microsoft productivity applications online. Yet as commercial monthly active user numbers of Microsoft Office 365 climb steadily north of 100 million, IT organizations are facing a new challenge: protecting the ever-increasing amounts of data employees are producing and distributing online.

Traditionally, IT teams have had to cobble together siloed data management infrastructure to support short and long-term data retention requirements and until Cohesity, the process had not gotten easier with Microsoft Office 365. Cohesity is a software-defined solution that offers end-to-end data protection for Office 365.

Cohesity brings speed and efficiency to protecting Exchange Online mailboxes / mails, helps mitigating risk and meet data retention and compliance requirements. Unlike Office 365 native and other backup and recovery solutions that fail to deliver enterprise-grade capabilities and achieve all compliance goals, Cohesity is seamless to deploy and use with a web-scale approach to data protection.

KEY BENEFITS

- Choose Microsoft Office 365 to work anywhere while protecting data everywhere
- Rapidly restore systems to previous states with near-instant RTO and rapid RPOs.
- Globally search to find data and documents



Contain Damage and Recover Fast from Attacks

There are critical limitations to the native recovery capabilities of Office 365 Exchange Online, including the following:

- Item-level recovery is unable to guarantee data retention. It requires employees to change behavior, adding exposure to insider threats without the hold function or increasing costs and risks with the hold function.
- The Deleted Items folder is an unreliable method of retention. Although it can be configured with different retention periods (including forever), many users have been trained to manually empty this folder frequently to save space with their on-premises solutions and are likely to continue this practice.
- The Recoverable Items folder serving as a second-stage recycle bin and storing deleted content from the Deleted Items folder in native Office 365 recovery also poses challenges. It has only a 14-day default retention period, reconfigurable to up to 30 days. However, after 30 days, all items purged are not recoverable.

- Mailbox recovery using native Office 365 Exchange Online capabilities can be equally inadequate for saving data because deleted mailboxes and their contents are only retained automatically for 30 days. To place inactive mailboxes on hold via in-place hold or litigation hold adds expense and takes time, creating another burden for IT organizations involved in lengthy merger or acquisition proceedings and in companies with high employee turnover.

Enterprises choosing third-party backup tools for Office 365 have discovered many lack the built-in, enterprise-grade features businesses require. For example, after a company purchases the backup software with many flexible options, IT staff discovers it needs a separate software license for data storage that can be costly.

With Cohesity, IT organizations can control backup and recovery processes and costs while mitigating security risks and speeding recovery. The Cohesity solution features access recovery workflows in the context of mailboxes and indexed email metadata for search that make it an ideal option for enterprises in need of rapid recovery from internal threats and external attacks. Cohesity automation and breadth of restore options also support flexible and expanded policies for customized backup retention periods to meet unique business requirements. With native cloud integration, Cohesity provides a disaster recovery alternative for Office 365 Exchange Online, in addition to email governance and compliance capabilities.

Seamless, Automated, and Efficient Backup and Recovery

There are several benefits of utilizing Cohesity for backup of Exchange Online:

- In compliance with data retention policies, Cohesity makes it easy to register Exchange Online sources and quickly discover users, mailboxes, and groups to select and back up.
- With Cohesity, IT teams can automatically protect new mailboxes added to an O365 Online Exchange account, as well as search and select mailboxes for backup where the mailbox names have a matching text string.
- Cohesity also simplifies e-discovery and fights back against attacks with granular recovery of emails instantly and the ability to search for particular emails according to different metadata fields. The breadth of Cohesity's restore options is wide. Teams can restore objects in 365 Exchange Online to their original or an alternative location—including the cloud through native integration between Cohesity and leading public cloud providers.

With Cohesity, IT teams can set and forget data retention rules by creating automated policies with specific SLAs, saving time while protecting ever-increasing numbers of mailboxes. Rules can include meeting Cohesity's near-instant recovery time objective (RTO), rapid RPO's or other obligations. With auto-discovery and auto-protect capabilities, every new user mailbox and folder is automatically protected at onboarding. Because Cohesity assigns policies to mailboxes automatically based on SLAs, enterprise IT teams can be confident data is protected accurately every time. Best of all, Cohesity improves backup and recovery process visibility for the enterprise IT teams responsible for important data governance oversight.

Stringent digital information governance policies have been standard operating procedure for decades in regulated industries and government agencies. Now companies across all industries are establishing retention rules to ease mergers and acquisitions, inform legal proceedings, and offer transparency into their business operations. Choose Cohesity to ensure your organization has simple, comprehensive data protection for all of the work employees do in Office 365.

Learn more at: [Cohesity for Office 365](#)