## MAC vs PC

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- 1. Better software and hardware ecosystem
- One of the best things about owning a Mac is that it ties nicely with other Apple devices.
  - iPhone
  - iPad
  - HomePod
  - Apple Watch.
- You could enjoy features like seamlessly messaging, calling, web browsing, taking notes, managing reminders, and accessing photos and files between your Mac and other Apple devices without any additional configuration.

#### 1. Better software and hardware ecosystem

- Other features AirDrop, unlocking your Mac with Apple Watch
- using an iPad as a second display for your Mac.
- Using an iPhone as a camera on your Mac.
- Streaming music from Mac to Homepod.

#### 2. Fewer choices make the decision easier

- If you decide to buy a PC and have finalized a budget, you might quickly get overwhelmed by the number of choices available.
- There are a ton of manufacturers, processor configurations, display resolutions, keyboards, trackpads, speakers, etc., you can choose from, and it might make the whole process tedious and time-consuming.
- Even if you finally choose and buy a PC after hours of research, you might be left wondering if you made the right choice or if you should have waited a bit more or selected a different computer.

#### 2. Fewer choices make the decision easier

- This might be one of those few scenarios where less choice is good.
- When you want to buy a Mac, you only have to choose between a MacBook Air or a MacBook Pro.
- and, in some cases, what storage or RAM options you want.

#### 3. Apps and the OS are more secure

- One of the reasons why most hackers and cybercriminals target their malware and hacking efforts toward Windows users is simply because the Windows OS has the largest market share.
- More devices to target and higher returns for the efforts hackers make.
- Because of this, many hackers are willing to spend more time and effort on developing different kinds of Malware targeting Windows devices as they have a higher probability of success.

#### 3. Apps and the OS are more secure

- This doesn't mean that Macs are unsusceptible to malware or cyberattacks; it simply means that you get targeted by a cyber attack or Malware relatively less if you own a Mac instead of a PC.
- Mac devices are generally more secure than their Windows counterparts because Apple has complete control over both its hardware and software.
- In the case of Windows devices, Microsoft has to adapt the OS to be compatible with hundreds of different manufacturers and models.

#### 4. Fewer annoyances during regular use

- This is by far one of the biggest reason to choose a Mac over a PC every single time.
- Windows devices are the main target for cybercriminals.
- Hackers worldwide are constantly working towards finding a vulnerability in Windows devices and exploiting them.
- Due to this, Microsoft has to push security and system updates and patches regularly, and developers have to update their apps to fix these issues as well.

#### 4. Fewer annoyances during regular use

- The endless cycle of constantly downloading huge update files.
- Spending time waiting for the update to be installed when you restart, shut down or turn on your PC can quickly get annoying.
- Drivers or system files might randomly break or become incompatible with a new update and cause issues like Bluetooth function disappearing or internet dropping out, or even your PC just crashing out of the blue.

#### 5. Better resale value

- Apple products, in general, tend to have a higher resale value compared to products from other manufacturers because they are known to have better customer support, higher quality products, and longer software updates.
- Apple also has a good trade-in program making it much easier to upgrade to a newer MacBook after a few years by getting a good trade-in value from Apple instead of going through the hectic process of trying to sell it through marketplaces like Facebook or eBay.

#### 6. A higher number of free built-in apps

- Windows PC have very few default apps you get with the OS. Many of these are not are actually useful.
- A new Windows PC, will not have any apps like the **MS Office suite**, a **PDF viewer**, or even a decent photo or video editing application.
- You either have to buy these apps from Microsoft or other third-party vendors or download a free alternative.

#### 6. A higher number of free built-in apps

- MacOS, the case is entirely different.
- Out of the box, you get a bunch of free and useful apps like the iWork suite (Pages, Numbers, Keynote), Garageband, iMovie, and even a built-in PDF viewer and editor.
- Shortcuts app to automate tasks on your Mac, and Siri.
- Instead of having to pay for some necessary apps and services, you get them built into the OS for free.

#### 7. Others:

- A Mac can open MS Word, Excel and Powerpoint files.
- PC's can NOT open Pages, Numbers or Keynote file.
  - It's a one-way street.
- Mac's do not have a Registry that gets compromised when apps and web activites populate (Slowing down your system).
- Much easier to delete an App on a Mac. No uninstalled needed. Just drag the app to the trash.
- Its no uncommon for a Mac to last 8 to 10 years and still receive the latest OS updates.

#### • Are Macs better than PC?

- One reason why Mac is better than a PC is that it's of better quality and has more longevity.
- There's no doubt a Mac computer can stay with you for five to ten years or even longer.
- Apple manufactures products with a long-term plan in mind. Thus, it uses components for its hardware that they know can last for a long time.

- Is Mac better or PC?
- Because it's part of an Apple ecosystem, Apple devices are easy to use and consistent.
- People want convenience above all other things now.
- Mac Has a Sleek Design Plus a High-End Look and Feel. Apple is a brand that understands the phrase "simplicity is beauty".

## Questions

- **1.** Windows PC for much cheaper than a Mac.
- The cheapest Mac laptop is the \$900 MacBook Air,
- Not within everyone's budget for simple tasks.
- A Windows laptops under \$600 that will handle simple tasks just fine.

#### 2. There are far more Windows PC options to choose from.

- Apple is the only company that makes its own Mac computers.
- You have fewer choices when it comes to designs and specs.
- Having fewer options makes it easier to pick a computer, but it doesn't always suit someone with more advanced requirements.
- You don't get many choices for Processors and RAM with Macs.

#### 2. There are far more Windows PC options to choose from.

- Macs are often marketed as machines perfectly suited for professionals, such as photo and video editors.
- You can buy Windows PCs that are suited for those types of professionals.

- 3. You can easily switch out parts in Windows PCs to customize them for your needs.
- Apple computers are less customizable than many Windows PCs and laptops.
- The original hardware inside Apple computers will work fine, and you probably don't want to tinker around with upgrading parts.
- But anyone who does want to tinker around will have limited options with Macs.
- Plus, you can build your own PC with exactly the parts you want. It's surprisingly easy, not to mention satisfying.

- 4. If you want to play video games, Windows PCs are the best option, by far.
- Anyone who wants to play video games on a computer should buy a Windows PC, hands down.
- Only a fraction of the games available can be played on Macs.

#### 5. Most Windows laptops still come with commonly used ports.

- Apple's latest crop of MacBook Pros starting from the 2016 lineup come only with USB-C ports. That means you can't plug in monitors that use HDMI, SD cards for photo transfers, and other regular USB accessories, such as external hard drives, without a USB-C adapter.
- Having to use a USB-C adapter to plug in non-USB-C accessories can be frustrating.
- If you forget your USB-C adapter, you can't use your non-USB-C accessories.
- If you lose it, you have to buy a new one.

- 5. Most Windows laptops still come with commonly used ports.
- To be fair, USB-C is the evolution of connecting everything to your computers.
- USB-C plugs and ports support the so-called ThunderBolt 3 standard, which can be used for charging your laptop as well as hooking it up to a monitor and other accessories all in a single port instead of needing to plug your devices into multiple ports.

#### 6. Windows PCs are updated with new specs much more frequently.

- If you want a slim laptop, Apple's best choice is either the MacBook or the MacBook Air. The problem with the MacBook is that it might not have enough power.
- Meanwhile, Windows computers are constantly updated with new specs when they become available.

- 7. Microsoft's Office Suite the most popular productivity software works better on Windows than it does on Macs.
- Microsoft's Office Suite, which includes apps like Word and Excel, are still best used on a Windows PC instead of a Mac.
- The Windows version comes with more features and is more stable than it is on the Mac version.

- 8. The Windows operating system is more customizable and allows for more extensive fine tuning than macOS.
- Overall, you'll find more settings to tweak in the Windows operating system than you will with Apple's macOS operating system.
- More advanced users will find value in those extra settings.

- 9. While it's easier overall to get a Mac repaired, it can be a lot cheaper to get a Windows PC repaired.
- Whether you bring your Mac to the Apple Store or a certified Mac repair store, the prices are generally higher than they are to repair a Windows PC.

- 10. Windows laptops have more reliable keyboards than Apple's latest MacBook Pros.
- Lastly, several MacBook Pros and MacBooks users have reported that Apple's latest Butterfly-design keyboard can be unreliable.
- Windows laptop keyboards aren't immune to their own problems, but a repair isn't usually a big deal. Just swap out the affected key or clean under keys using a can of compressed air.
- Apple's fix generally requires the replacement of an entire piece of equipment.

## Questions

### PC vs. Mac: Which should you buy?

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