

DRIVE IMAGE BACKUP & RESTORE FOR A "WINDOWS.." COMPUTER

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SUMMARY

There are lots of free and not-free utility software programs that you can use to save a "drive image backup" for a Windows.. computer.

Unfortunately, there is a high failure rate for doing a "rescue" (= "restore") at a future point in time.

TOPICS

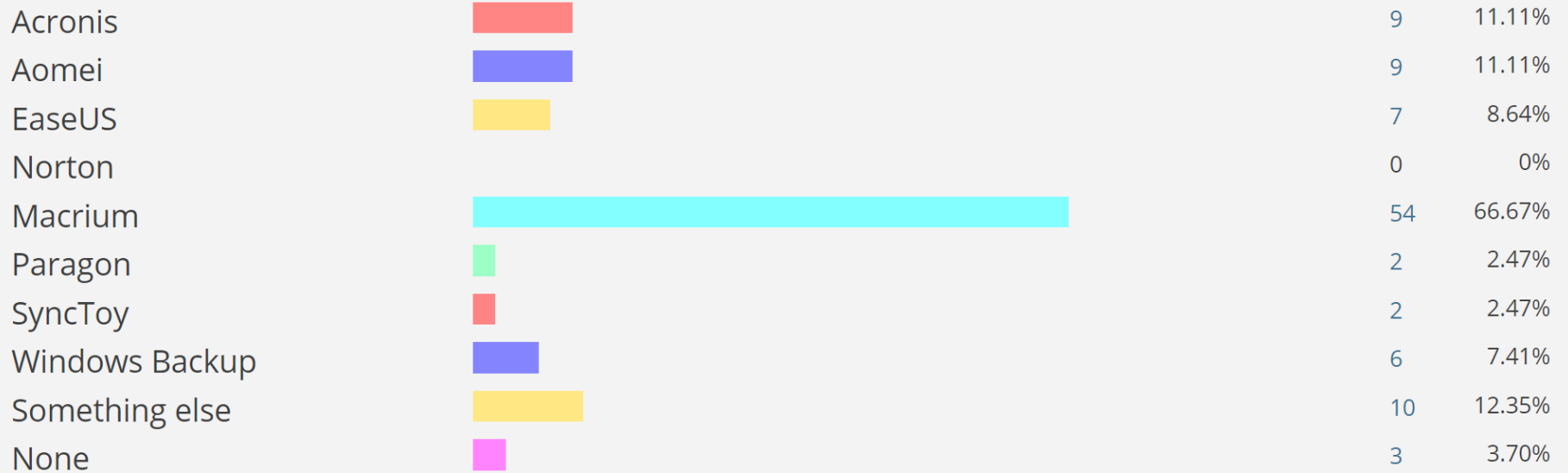
- Market Share/Usage Share of Drive Imaging Software
- Two Ways To Do A "Drive Image Backup"
- Two Ways to Do a "Bare Metal Restore"
- Strategies For The High Failure Rate for Restores

MARKET SHARE/USAGE SHARE OF DRIVE IMAGING SOFTWARE

- An example of the the market share/usage share charts that the software industry does not want you to see is available at <https://www.tenforums.com/backup-restore/61514-tell-your-backup-software-win-macrium-reflect-home-license.html> :

View Poll Results: What backup / imaging software you use?

Voters: 81. You may not vote on this poll



Multiple Choice Poll.

TWO WAYS TO DO A DRIVE IMAGE

- Method 1: BACKUP
Drive imaging software application installed into a Windows.. computer
- Method 2:
Rescue DVD of drive imaging software to boot up Windows.. computer

TWO WAYS TO DO A "BARE METAL" RESTORE

- Method 1:
Rescue DVD of drive imaging software to boot up Windows..
computer
- Method 2:
Drive imaging software application installed running in another
Windows.. computer

STRATEGIES FOR DEALING WITH THE HIGH FAILURE RATE OF RESTORES

- Strategy 1:
Use two or more drive imaging programs
- Strategy 2:
Do a clone (instead of or in addition to a drive image) and test it immediately