

**MOVING BEYOND
"WINDOWS XP"--
HOW "WINDOWS VISTA",
"WINDOWS 7", "WINDOWS 8".
AND "WINDOWS 8.1" DIFFER
FROM "WINDOWS XP"**

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SUMMARY

It is time for you to migrate away from "Windows XP".

Here is a quick list of how "Windows Vista", "Windows 7", "Windows 8", and "Windows 8.1" differ from "Windows XP".

TOPICS

- "Printers and Faxes" in the "Control Panel" Became "Devices and Printers"
- "Scanners and Cameras" Has Been Merged Into "Devices and Printers"
- The "Documents and Settings" Folder Became the "Users" folder

TOPICS (continued)

- "Add or Remove Programs" in the "Control Panel" Became "Programs and Features"
- "Add Hardware" in the "Control Panel" No Longer Exists

"Printers and Faxes"
in the "Control Panel"
became
"Devices and Printers"

Control Panel

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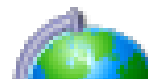
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Control Panel

 Switch to
Category View



Printers and Faxes





All Control Panel Items



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Adjust your computer's settings

View by: 



Devices and Printers

"Scanners and
Cameras"
has been merged Into
"Devices and
Printers":

In "Windows XP", the "Scanners and Cameras" folder was used for starting scans and downloading from cameras:

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Scanners and Cameras

In versions of
"Windows.." after
"Windows XP",
scanners and cameras
are now located inside
"Devices and Printers":



All Control Panel Items



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Devices and Printers

Devices and Printers

Devices and Printers



Headphones (2-
1 Definition
Audio Device)



HP Scanjet
scanner

The
"Documents and
Settings"
folder became the
"Users" folder:

The
"Documents and
Settings"
folder in "Windows XP"
contained your "user
profile(s):


Local Disk (C:)

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Address  C:\

System Tasks

 Hide the contents of this drive



Documents and Settings



In versions of
"Windows.." after
"Windows XP", the
"Users" folder contains
your user profile(s):



Users

"Add Hardware" in the
"Control Panel" no
Longer Exists:

In "Windows XP",
"Add Hardware" was
prominently displayed
in the "Control Panel":

Control Panel

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Address  Control Panel

 Control Panel ^

 Switch to



Add Hardware

In "Windows Vista" and higher, you either followed the hardware manufacturer's instructions for installing the hardware or you turned off your computer and then re-booted it.