

5 Reasons to use Dropbox Business over OneDrive for Business



To become successful, teams need fast and reliable tools that integrate with their existing environments. When it comes to file sync and share, leading teams can't afford anything other than the best solution out there. Here are five reasons over 150,000 organizations choose Dropbox Business over OneDrive for Business.

1. Works with Everything

- Dropbox is platform agnostic and works on all major platforms. OneDrive for Business does not support Linux or Blackberry, and the Mac desktop client is available in preview only.
- Dropbox supports high-quality previews for most major file types, including Photoshop and Illustrator. OneDrive for Business only supports previews for Office, PDF, and limited image and video files.

2. Seamless sharing experience

- Dropbox allows external users to view and sync shared folders with ease. OneDrive for Business doesn't allow syncing of shared folders on the desktop client, and requires a Microsoft account to view a shared folder.
- Dropbox allows you to share and sync any file type. When a file that can't be previewed is shared in OneDrive for Business, it will trigger a download and won't sync to OneDrive for Business.
- Dropbox allows for a consistent sharing experience between Dropbox Basic, Pro, Business, and Enterprise. Conversely, files shared between OneDrive for Business and OneDrive personal accounts cannot be synced or viewed in the same interface.

3. Fast and reliable sync

- Delta, LAN, and streaming sync allow Dropbox to consistently sync files 4.7x faster than OneDrive for Business, saving you time and bandwidth.¹
- Dropbox has unlimited desktop file upload. OneDrive for Business has a 10GB file upload limit.

4. Powerful collaboration features

- Dropbox includes inline annotations and user tagging for better communication around your team's documents. OneDrive for Business requires Yammer for commenting and doesn't allow you to comment in-line.
- The Dropbox Badge, a native desktop Office collaboration tool, improves collaboration across all versions of Office. Microsoft requires the latest version of Office for its desktop collaboration features.

5. Visibility through the Admin Console

- The Dropbox Admin Console makes it easy for teams to protect data, monitor usage, and maintain business continuity. Audit logging for OneDrive for Business requires additional integration with SharePoint, and does not allow admins to monitor sharing or uploads.
- The Admin Console also simplifies offboarding with Account Transfer. OneDrive for Business has a complicated transfer process and can only remote wipe mobile devices, leaving companies more susceptible to IP loss during employee transitions.



1. Principled Technologies sync performance reports commissioned by Dropbox, July 2015