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[Microsoft's Windows 10 Creators Update](#) will launch April 11. This is a major update with some new features: improvements to the Edge web browser; better Security, and [3D graphics](#) and drawing tools. [More Info.](#)

[Verizon Wireless offers unlimited data plan](#) - with some limitations: speed is reduced beyond 22 GB. If you convert, you will lose the option to buy phones every 2 years at a discount. Still attractive if you use your phone for streaming video.



[Samsung Galaxy S8](#) smart phone on sale April 21  
[WSJ Review](#)

The Galaxy S8 will be the first phone to tap into [Gigabit LTE](#)-class speeds when available. T-Mobile would be the first to officially go to Gigabit LTE later this year. [Samsung Dex](#) is a \$150 dock that makes your S8 phone into a desktop

Samsung explains [why its Galaxy Note 7 phone caught fire](#)

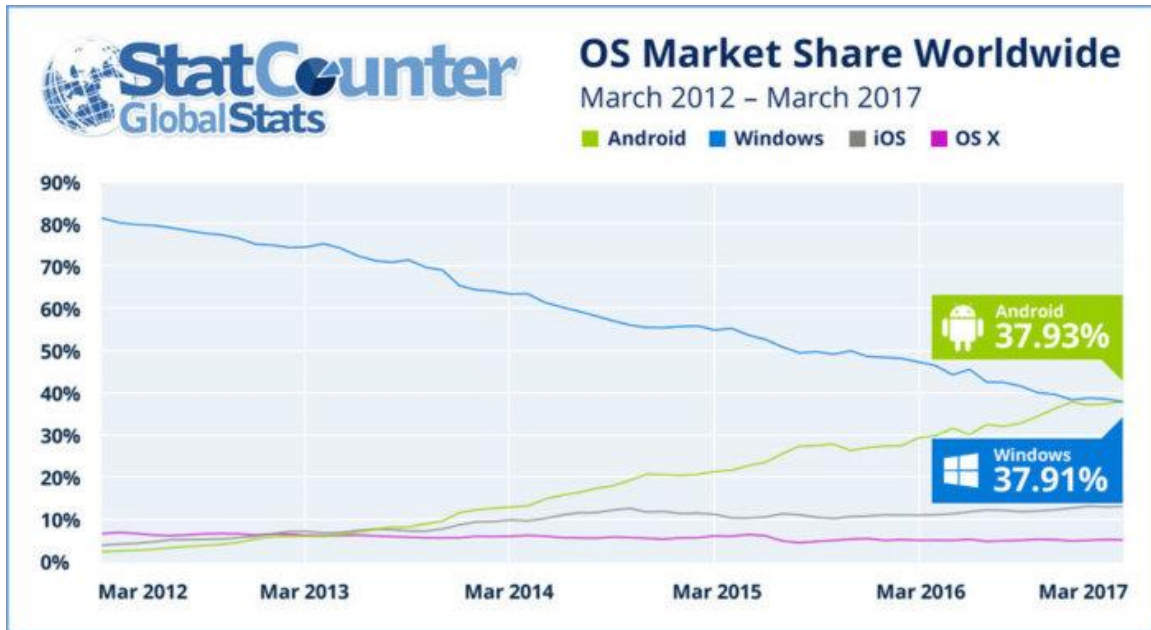
[Smartphone malware](#) rises 400% - In October 2016, malware infected 1.35% of all mobile devices

**LastPass** has an important [security update](#). Click on the LastPass Icon in your browser, go to Tools, Advanced Tools, check for updates. [Details](#)

Three steps to take to keep LastPass safe: launch sites directly from the LastPass Vault; use two-factor authentication; and beware of phishing attacks.

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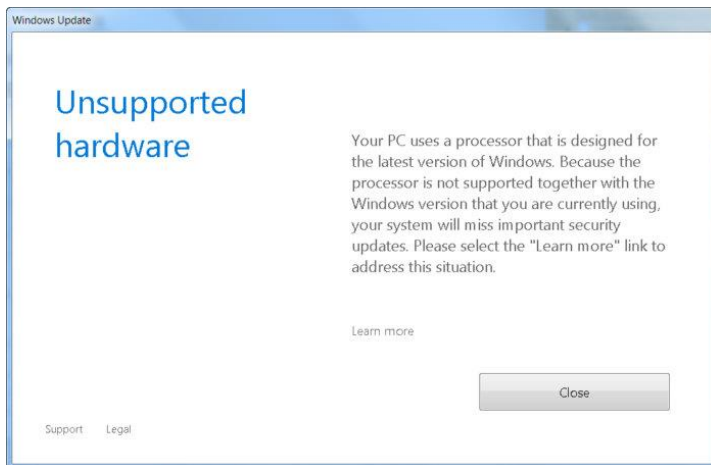
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[Android is now used more than Windows for browsing.](#)

[Microsoft will end some Windows 7 and 8.1 support](#) in April

Some computers with newer hardware will be blocked from installing future updates in Windows 7 and 8x. Major vendors including Dell and HP are working with Microsoft to validate security patches, and will still be supported. If you have a custom-built machine with a newer processor, patches will be blocked because they would cause problems.



[Windows Vista extended support is ending](#) in April

Windows 7 extended support ends January 2020 (currently security patches only).  
 Windows 8 mainstream support ends January 2018 (updates and security patches).  
 Summary of [Microsoft support end dates](#)

Microsoft is no longer providing [updates and patches for Office 2013 as part of Office 365](#). The Office 2013 download option is now gone.  
 Office 2013 retail is still supported. Office 2010 with SP2 is supported, Office 2007 support ends this month.

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[Unpatched flaw in Server 2003](#) web service is being exploited. If you still have a 2003 server, make sure it is not connected to the internet.

The number of **ransomware attacks** last year jumped to 638 million from 3.8 million in 2015, a 16,000% increase that cost victims nearly \$1 billion.

Many [Smart TVs are vulnerable to wireless hacking](#).

[Robinhood](#) - **Free stock trading**.

[Gartner's Top Technology Trends](#)

You can now [watch Netflix videos offline](#) by downloading them to your local device. Be sure to update your device and Netflix app to the latest version for best support.

[Repeal of broadband privacy rules](#) that restricted the use of consumer data has now passed both the House and Senate

[How to Browse Privately After Congress Nixed FCC Protections](#)

The best of [IT April Fools](#)

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