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Internet Security Software Vendors List

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Recommendations for Security (antivirus) Software

Free active antivirus programs:

*For low-resource PCs - [Microsoft Security Essentials](#) or Windows Defender, preinstalled on Windows 8 PCs, are essentially the same program and are much better than nothing.

However if you want a Security program with better detection rates and more features: [BitDefender](#), [Panda Free antivirus](#) and [Ad Aware](#) will all do a much better job than Microsoft's offerings.

***For more powerful PCs** with Intel i3 or higher and AMD Quad Core processors or better, with 4GB RAM or more. [Avast Free](#), [Avira Free](#), and [AVG Free](#) antivirus are good ones. Any of which can be installed very easily with the [ninite.com installer](#).

Paid active antivirus Programs: (Use the links above)

***For low-resource PCs - Bit Defender** and **McAfee** are both decent and effective programs. If neither one suits you there are lots of them with trial versions you can test for free.

***For PCs with more powerful processors** and more RAM **Norton Antivirus** is a perennial top performer. **Vipre** is also very good.

If you need a good scan-only antivirus program look no further than [Malwarebytes](#) Free Version. Although [Comodo Cleaning Essentials](#) is pretty good and can be run from a flash drive.

Also, [SuperAntispyware](#) is great for cleaning out some malware that Malwarebytes can miss. However you should uninstall it after using it for a scan since it places an unnecessary startup program on your PC.

If you like to read reviews

All three of the top Personal Computing Magazines post yearly reviews of Security Programs. These are [CNET](#), [PC Magazine](#), and [PC World Magazine](#). If these sites don't float your boat just Google **Antivirus Software Reviews** and you will get a ton of results. Also look at [Download.Com](#) ratings and reviews.

Bottom Line: A PC should only have one active antivirus program installed.

(They may conflict with one another if more than one is installed.)

But if you don't have an **active** antivirus program, of any kind, on your Windows PC you will sooner or later regret it. With all the good free ones available for a simple download it's downright silly not to have one.

Happy Computing!

