

# desktop auditor

## IT inventory management and systems administration tools

### Good corporate governance demands accurate answers to:

- How many computers you have on your network
- How much illegal software is running on your network
- How exposed you are regarding professional software audits
- Which computers are outdated or qualify for an upgrade
- If any virus files are resident on your network
- How many employees are playing games during office hours
- How much money is being wasted on unnecessary hardware or software
- How exposed you are due to security issues

Latitude Software's *desktop auditor* can quickly and easily help you answer all of these questions, giving you the power to save money, prevent licensing traumas, and ensure productivity is at its optimum throughout the organisation at all times.

*desktop auditor* is an enterprise tool for auditing desktop and server computers in the Microsoft Windows environment. With *desktop auditor* you are able to accurately assess the status of your IT assets in minutes.

### Features

- Audit history.
- Integration with third-party asset management software.
- Comprehensive drilldown reporting capabilities.
- Asset location tracking.
- Software licence auditing.
- 25+ preset audit properties.
- Customised audit requirements.
- Active directory integration.
- Remote control Integration.
- Software metering.

### Business benefits

- Provide a configuration management database (CMDB) to support a range of ITIL methodologies.
- Reduce IT spend by maximising the use of your existing computer assets.
- Quickly adapt to changing business needs and conditions by identifying potentially under-configured or incorrectly configured hardware.
- Configuration change management.
- Reduce the risk of software licensing penalties by tracking installed software.
- Reduce IT support costs through remote management.
- Reduce the costs of physical audits with an accurate automated inventory.
- Use existing spreadsheet applications to budget with speed and accuracy.
- Improve installation times and reduce installation costs with auto-deployment capabilities.

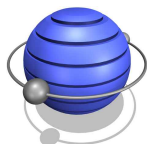
### Return on investment

Rapid returns on investment (ROI) are achieved through:

- Automated computer configuration data collection to create a CMDB.
- Improved software licensing.
- Improved procurement procedures.
- Direct impact on the asset register.

### Core components

- Hardware and software inventory management.
- Software usage and metering.
- Remote management.
- Asset lifecycle management.
- Upgrade budgeting and planning.
- SNMP support.
- WMI support.



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### Installation and configuration

- Out-of-the-box auto configuration.
- Auto network device discovery.
- Auto importing of computers from Microsoft Active Directory.
- Auto importing of users from Active Directory.
- Auto deployment of the DTA client services.
- Auto deployment and auditing of the audit agent.
- Auto updates of audit data.
- Automatic alarms for audit changes.

### Deployment Methods

- Agentless push to workstations.
- Group policies.
- System policies.
- Login scripts.
- CD.

### Inventory Methods

- Agentless push to workstations.
- Remote on-demand.
- Remotely scheduled.
- Login scripts.
- On boot-up.

### System Overview

- Hardware and software auditing.
- Software licence management.
- Hardware configuration monitoring.
- Rules-based configuration of licensing and reporting groups.
- User-defined queries integrated with Crystal Reports and spreadsheet applications.
- Personnel data integrated with Active Directory Services.
- Reporting and financial budgeting in spreadsheet applications.

### The right fit

Latitude Software's highly scalable solutions are designed to match, and better, current global IT asset management applications while maintaining affordability. Testimony to our offering, some of our larger customers include BMW, Macsteel, Waltons Stationery Company, Parmalat SA and Africon.

### Our mission...

To meet your changing needs through continuous development and support of world-class and competitively priced asset management solutions. We achieve this through the forging of strong, sustainable customer relationships and maintaining a powerful and innovative software development team.

### System Requirements

#### Minimum specifications:

- Operating system – Microsoft Windows 2000.
- Audited data transfer – UNC copy/FTP.
- Database – Microsoft SQL Server/MSDE.

#### Networks:

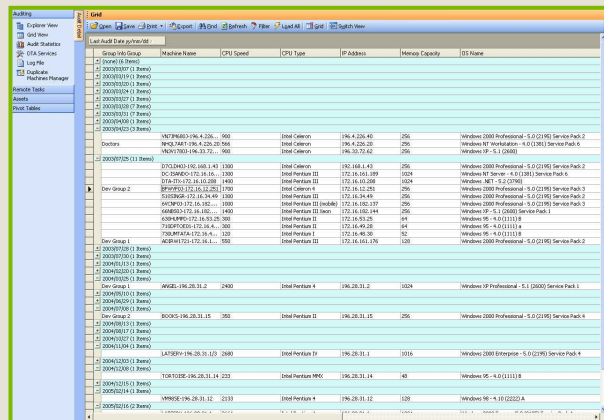
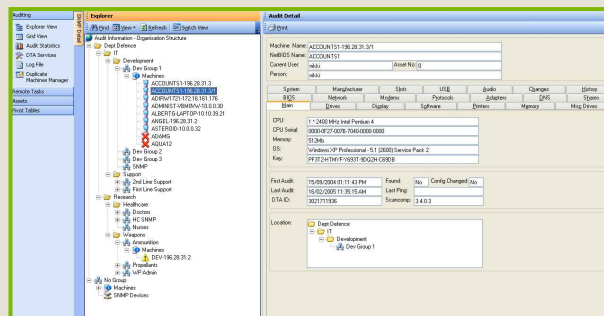
- Microsoft/Novell.
- LAN/WAN networks that support multiple servers using native TCP/IP protocols.

#### Audited platforms:

- All Microsoft desktop and server platforms.

#### Audit information:

- 5 – 10 seconds per computer.
- 2 – 10k data packets.



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A financial, fixed asset register system to manage asset location and depreciation

