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[Upgrade Coming to Windows Update](#)

Starting in August 2009

Come August 2009 Microsoft will release an upgrade to its update infrastructure. The Redmond company pointed out that both the Windows Update and Microsoft Update services would be impacted by the refresh. At the same time, the upgrade will not be limited to the infrastructure itself, but will also affect the client-side code of Windows Update and Automatic Updates. This is an integral part of the services upgrade, Microsoft explained.

"We will start this infrastructure update in late August, and it will take a couple of months to complete the rollout. Updates to the services and Windows code are required from time to time to maintain and improve service quality, reliability, and operations. The last update occurred in November of 2008," [revealed](#) a member of the Microsoft Update team.

Following the implementation of the update users will notice that the overall settings of both Windows Update and Automatic Updates will remain unchanged. AU's look and feel will also survive with no modifications, the software giant stated. Still, the refresh is designed to introduce changes. "It will improve the user interface for Windows Vista and Windows Server 2008 computers running Windows Update, adding a more visible and detailed description of updates as well as improvements in how users are notified about service packs," the MU team representative added.

In order to continue maintaining the overall health of Windows platforms and associated components and technologies, Microsoft must upgrade its update infrastructure. The company noted in the past that infrastructure updates were set up to maintain a high level of service quality, reliability, and operation.

"The Windows Update or Automatic Updates client software must be updated, or you may not be able to successfully check for updates or perform other configured actions. If Windows Update or Automatic Updates is enabled to automatically check for updates, download updates, or install updates on your computer then the infrastructure update will be downloaded and installed automatically. Your computer will not be updated if you have disabled Windows Update (or Automatic Updates) and do not check for updates," the MU team member said.