

Linux: What is it ?

- * **An Overview** by the Linux Supporters Group Adelaide
- * **How old are these?** Windows NT: 2000+16 years – Mac OSX: 2000+16 years – Linux: 1991+25 years
- * **Proportion of Desktops?** Windows 80% Linux 5% Mac 10% Mobile 5%
- * **Proportion of Servers?** Linux 95%
- * **Proportion of Supercomputers?** Linux 98%
- * **What is covered today?** Installed — Versions — Appearance

What do Linux Computers look like ?

Research Computer — Server Farm — Super Computer — Mini Computer — Personal Computer — Work Station — Phone — Xbox — SPARC — Laptop — Nano computer — Raspberry Pi — Robot — Quad 'Copter — 3D Printer — Barcode Reader — Watch — Rifle — Micro Controller — Radar System — ADSL Modem — USB Stick — Photo Card

How can you run Linux ?

From the hard disk on your computer — From a USB stick in your computer — From a CDROM in your computer — From an SD card in your computer — From another computer over the network

View a Comprehensive List of Linux Systems ?

→ <http://distrowatch.com/>

The Desktop 'look and feel' of the most popular Linux systems

Just substitute the version of interest — `mint ubuntu opensuse mageia debian centos puppy` — for the text 'xxx' in this website address: → <http://distrowatch.com/table.php?distribution=xxx>

Some Conclusions from this Presentation

- * **Linux is ubiquitous** but often not noticed
- * **Linux is reliable** because it is used so widely
- * **Linux is trusted** because it is reviewed by thousands
- * **Linux is choice** because there are so many flavours
- * **Linux is personal** because it can be tailored to suit

Want More Information ?

- * **What is Linux?** → <https://www.linux.com/what-is-linux>
 - * **Details from previous U3A Course** → <http://linuxlsga.net/u3a.pdf>
 - * **Linux Supporters Group Adelaide** → <http://linuxlsga.net>
 - * **Adelaide South West Community Centre** → 171 Sturt Street, Adelaide
 - * **Talks — Workshops — Pizza Nights**
 - * **Drop-in For Learners' Help** → Every Friday Afternoon 2pm – 4pm
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