

IRON MOUNTAIN'S VIRTUAL FILE STORE™ SERVICE

Trusted, Secure, Cost-Effective Cloud-Based Storage for Inactive Data

THE COST-EFFECTIVE ALTERNATIVE TO IN-HOUSE STORAGE

Storing your inactive data with Virtual File Store is easy and offers many advantages to save you time and money.

NO LARGE CAPITAL OUTLAY

Virtual File Store runs on your existing infrastructure and becomes part of your monthly operating budget. No large initial purchase is required.

REDUCED TOTAL COST OF OWNERSHIP

Virtual File Store delivers predictable, manageable costs with no ongoing system investments or maintenance headaches.

A "FUTURE-PROOF" SOLUTION

Our offsite, managed service frees you from equipment obsolescence and frequent buying cycles.

SCALABLE CAPACITY

With Virtual File Store, additional capacity is available immediately whenever you need it – for short-term spikes, long-term structural changes (such as acquisitions), and rapidly expanding digital file archives.

TRUSTED PROTECTION

Protect and secure your data for the long term with file versioning protection (with full file history of any changes or deletions) or with WORM (Write Once Read Many) retention.

THE DIGITAL DATA EXPLOSION

As digital information continues to skyrocket, so does the need for storage, escalating more than 50 percent per year. Not surprisingly, organisations are struggling to keep pace. Driven by the mandate to save everything "just in case," organisations keep every record, report, and email – even data not in use – stretching IT budgets and resources thin, and compromising their ability to deal with the most critical information first.

To help companies reduce the costs of storing and managing inactive data, Iron Mountain has created a first-of-its-kind, enterprise-class, cloud-based storage archive service, Virtual File Store™. This service is part of Iron Mountain's information management portfolio, which includes email management and archiving, eDiscovery, and backup/recovery.

COST-EFFECTIVE, ENTERPRISE-CLASS, HOSTED DIGITAL STORAGE

Virtual File Store provides a simple, cost-effective, hosted, and managed storage service that you can integrate within your infrastructure to migrate your inactive data files to Iron Mountain's secure data centres. The service enables you to easily store your inactive data offsite and retrieve it, on demand, whenever and wherever you need it within your corporate environment.

With Virtual File Store, you can:

- Gain virtually unlimited storage capacity with a low-cost, pay-as-you-go plan.
- Access your stored data 24x7x365.
- Extend your storage infrastructure, without incurring capital costs.

Best of all, Virtual File Store requires no large up-front cost or ongoing infrastructure investments – meaning significant savings for your company.

SAFE, SECURE, AND ACCESSIBLE

Virtual File Store comes from Iron Mountain, the worldwide leader in information storage and protection, with more than 55 years of experience. With Virtual File Store, you can focus on your organisation's critical, active data and be sure that Iron Mountain will provide you with the security, disaster recovery, and infrastructure support you need to ensure your information is safe and easily accessible.

HOW IT WORKS

Virtual File Store's onsite appliance acts like a file server and is based on standard CIFS/NFS protocols. Files stored on the Virtual File Store appliance are also sent to Iron Mountain's secure data centres. Because data is continuously replicated to a secondary data centre, you get fast, uninterrupted access even in

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the event of a disaster.

This service gives you a single, centralised storage system that supports any client operating system or application that can access data on a CIFS/NFS file system. Virtual File Store supports all types of inactive data that can be stored on a CIFS/NFS file server, including email, databases, Microsoft® Office files, PDFs, logs, and multimedia in industry-standard file formats.

EASY TO DEPLOY AND ACCESS

Virtual File Store can be deployed as a stand-alone solution or can integrate with your existing file archiving and file virtualisation technologies. You can copy or move files onto the Virtual File Store appliance in a variety of ways, including:

- **Manually:** Simply move selected files from file servers onto the Virtual File Store appliance. No additional tools are required.
- **Automatically:** Move files from primary storage to the Virtual File Store appliance using customer-created scripts or off-the-shelf products. Alternatively, you can use the appliance as the target for an off-the-shelf backup program. You can also incorporate this service into existing Hierarchical Storage Management or File Virtualisation deployment, using in-house archiving products.

Virtual File Store transmits files over a secure VPN network to Iron Mountain Digital's data centres. You can retrieve your data whenever and wherever you need it via online on-demand access. You can also transfer and retrieve large quantities of data using our high speed Virtual File Store Data Shuttle service.

FROM THE LEADER YOU CAN TRUST

Since 1951, Iron Mountain has delivered the expertise that organisations seek for the protection and storage of their information assets. With more than 100,000 corporate clients worldwide, including more than 93 percent of the Fortune 1000, Iron Mountain is the right choice to help you reduce the cost and risk associated with archiving your inactive data.

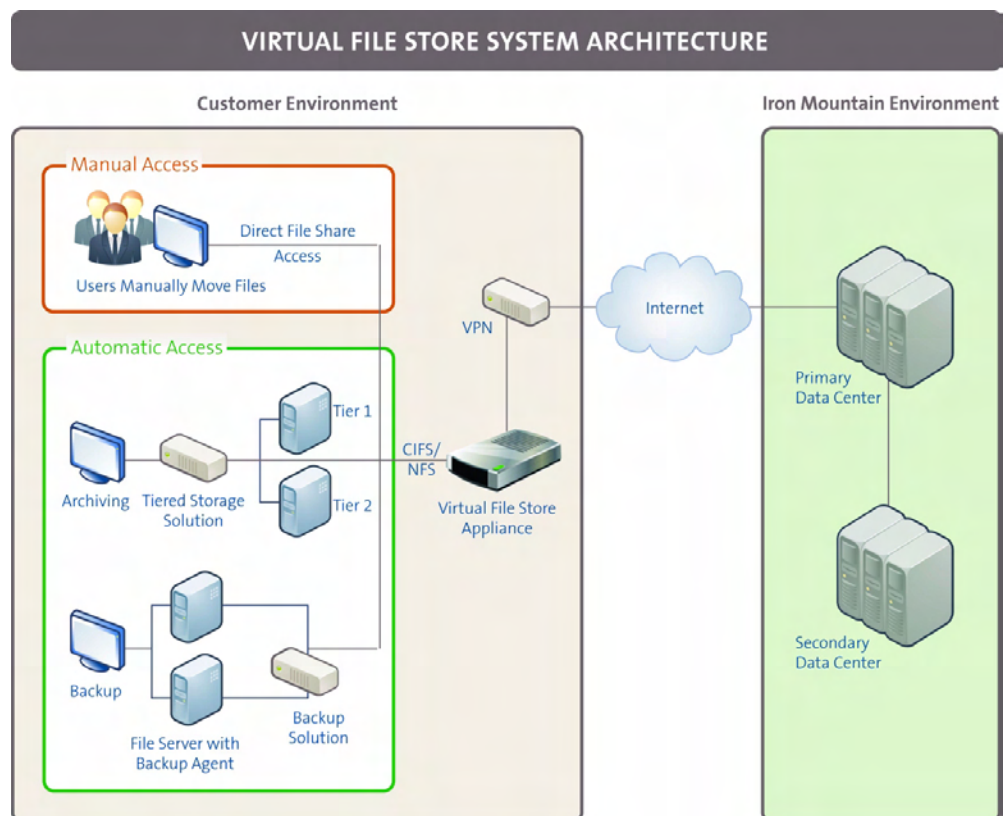
VIRTUAL FILE STORE BENEFITS

- Significantly reduce the costs of storing and protecting inactive data.
- Get the scalability you need to meet your changing storage demands.
- Keep your data safe and available in the event of a disaster.
- Archive data at LAN speed (versus WAN) with Virtual File Store's Data Shuttle service.
- Rely on the most trusted leader in information management.

CONTACT US

To learn more about how Iron Mountain can help you better manage your inactive data and reduce your growing storage infrastructure costs, contact us today:

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