

# CICS V5

*Service Agility and Operational  
Efficiency with Cloud Enablement*

**Transaction Server for z/OS**



**CICS Transaction Server continues to provide enterprise grade mixed language application serving by using innovative and essential technologies that enable customers to deliver on their business imperatives, now and into the future.**

CICS TS V5 has satisfied over **three hundred** customer requirements.

Its main focus falls into three areas:

## **Increasing service agility**

- Increased portability of web applications into CICS from enhanced Liberty runtime support.
- Simple integration with mobile devices with JSON and REST support.
- Modern interfaces: build rich web experiences for critical applications.

## **Driving operational efficiencies**

- Web Service optimizations.
- Performance improvements.
- Enhanced metrics.
- Additional security options.

## **Cloud and DevOps**

- Superior lifecycle management, simplified automated deployment of applications.
- Application versioning and multi-version support for consolidation of regions.
- Creation of 'top-down' topologies for easier management of regions.
- Double the number of CICS resources can be defined and managed in CICS bundles.

## **The strategic management interface for CICS TS**

IBM CICS Explorer, the strategic management interface for CICS TS, has been upgraded to CICS Explorer V5.3. This is a major update to support the latest CICS TS and CICS tools capabilities. CICS Explorer V5.3 will also work with other supported versions of CICS TS.

## **Five core foundational CICS Tools updated to align with CICS TS V5.3**

IBM has also updated five core foundational CICS tools to align with CICS TS V5.3. These tools will exploit and augment the latest service agility, operational efficiency and cloud enhancements made in CICS TS V5.3, driving optimization and modernization across your CICS environment.



## Try-before-you-buy

CICS TS Developer Trial V5.3 is also available as a try-before-you-buy edition of CICS TS for use in non-production environments. It has a zero-cost license charge and does not initiate any single version charging (SVC) period. Customers who want to assess the value that can be gained from a CICS TS upgrade, before making an upgrade decision, should order this product.

CICS TS Developer Trial contains the complete set of CICS TS features and functions, but with restricted performance and capacity, and licensing terms, and a fixed expiry date, that make it suitable for use only in non-production environments. It's possible to upgrade CICS TS Developer Trial to the full version of the product without having to remove it.

CICS TS Developer Trial V5.3 is available from IBM through ShopzSeries as a standard offering. In countries where ShopzSeries is not yet available, contact your IBM representative (or IBM Business Partner) to handle your order using the traditional IBM ordering process.

## Availability

CICS TS V5.3 was announced on October 5<sup>th</sup> 2015. For details and the official announcement letter, visit: [ibm.biz/cics53ann](http://ibm.biz/cics53ann)

CICS TS V5.3 will be generally available from December 11<sup>th</sup> 2015. For details, visit:

[ibm.com/cics/tserver](http://ibm.com/cics/tserver)

CICS TS V3, V4 and CICS TS V5 customers can download the CICS Explorer at the following web page:

[ibm.com/cics/explorer/download](http://ibm.com/cics/explorer/download)

## SupportPacs

The GENAPP SupportPac is available here:

[ibm.biz/CICSGENAPP](http://ibm.biz/CICSGENAPP)

## CICS Tools

[ibm.com/cics/tools](http://ibm.com/cics/tools)

CICS Configuration Manager  
CICS Deployment Assistant  
CICS Interdependency Analyzer  
CICS Performance Analyzer  
CICS VSAM Recovery

## More Information

For more information regarding CICS TS V5, or any other CICS offering, please visit

[ibm.com/cics](http://ibm.com/cics)

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