

LibreOffice
VLC Media Player
GIMP
Shotcut
Brave
Audacity
KeePass
Thunderbird
FileZilla
Linux
Mozilla Foundation
Wordpress, Joomla & Drupal
Apache

Alternative to MS Office
Media player
Photo & Image editing SW
Video Editing SW
Web Browser
Audio Editor SW
Password Generator
Email management
File Transfer Client
Operating System
Firefox Web Browser
Website CMS's
Web Server

1. Open-source software (OSS) is a type of computer software in which source code is released under a license in which the copyright holder grants users the rights to use, study, change, and distribute the software to anyone and for any purpose.[1]
2. Open source software is software with source code that anyone can inspect, modify, and enhance.
3. "Source code" is the part of software that most computer users don't ever see; it's the code computer programmers can manipulate to change how a piece of software—a "program" or "application"—works. Programmers who have access to a computer program's source code can improve that program by adding features to it or fixing parts that don't always work correctly.
4. The top four reasons (as provided by Open Source Business Conference survey[62]) individuals or organizations choose open-source software are:
 - a. Lower cost
 - b. Security
 - c. No vendor 'lock in'
 - d. Better Quality
5. And from a different source: Why people prefer using open source software?
6. Control. Many people prefer open source software because they have more control over that kind of software. They can examine the code to make sure it's not doing anything they don't want it to do, and they can change parts of it they don't like. Users who aren't programmers also benefit from open source software, because they can use this software for any purpose they wish—not merely the way someone else thinks they should.
7. Training. Other people like open source software because it helps them become better programmers. Because open source code is publicly accessible, students can easily study it as they learn to make better software. Students can also share their work with others, inviting comment and critique, as they develop their skills. When people discover mistakes in programs' source code, they can share those mistakes with others to help them avoid making those same mistakes themselves.
8. Security. Some people prefer open source software because they consider it more secure and stable than proprietary software. Because anyone can view and modify open source software, someone might spot and correct errors or omissions that a program's original authors might have missed. And because so many programmers can work on a piece of open source software without asking for permission from original authors, they can fix, update, and upgrade open source software more quickly than they can proprietary software.
9. Stability. Many users prefer open source software to proprietary software for important, long-term projects. Because programmers publicly distribute the source code for open source software, users relying on that software for critical tasks can be sure their tools won't disappear or fall into disrepair if their original creators stop working on them. Additionally, open source software tends to both incorporate and operate according to open standards.
10. Community. Open source software often inspires a community of users and developers to form around it. That's not unique to open source; many popular applications are the subject of meetups and user groups. But in the case of open source, the community isn't just a fanbase that

buys in (emotionally or financially) to an elite user group; it's the people who produce, test, use, promote, and ultimately affect the software they love.