

HPE Aruba Networking CX 8100 Switch Series

HPE Aruba Networking CX 8100 48x10G SFP+ 4x40/100G QSFP28 FB Airflow 3Fan 2AC PSU Switch Bdl (R9W90A)



What's new

- High performance 1.76 Tbps of bi-directional switching and 1,309 Mpps of forwarding designed for aggregation in the campus or top-of-rack (ToR) in data center environments
- Four different base models, each sold in bundles that support two airflow modes (front-to-back, and back-to-front) with advanced Layer 2/3 feature set that includes BGP, OSPF, VRF, VXLAN, EVPN, IPv6
- High availability with industry-leading HPE Aruba Networking Virtual Switching Extension (VSX) redundancy and redundant power supplies and fans
- HPE Aruba Networking CX Switch Operating System (AOS-CX) automation and programmability using built-in REST APIs and Python scripts
- Intelligent monitoring and visibility

Overview

The HPE Aruba Networking CX 8100 Switch Series serves the needs of modern campus core and aggregation as well as dynamic top-of-rack (ToR) data center environments, offering a flexible and innovative approach to addressing the application, security, and scalability demands of the mobile, cloud, and IoT.

The CX 8100 switches are based on HPE Aruba Networking CX Switch Operating System (AOS-CX) that automates and simplifies critical network tasks, offers programmability with REST APIs and Python scripts, delivers enhanced fault tolerance and zero-service disruption during planned or unplanned control-plane events. Real-time, network-wide visibility and analytics are available in every switch.

The series includes industry-leading line rate ports with 1/10GbE (SFP/SFP+) and 40/100GbE (QSFP+/QSFP28) connectivity in a compact 1U form factor. 4 x 10 Gbps and 4 x 25 Gbps break out from 40/100G. These switches are great for customers needing 1/10GbE with mix of fiber and copper ports.

Features

Modular cloud-native architecture

HPE Aruba Networking CX 8100 Switch Series features HPE Aruba Networking CX Switch Operating System (AOS-CX) which simplifies the complexity of managing data center networks with automation options to match your IT organization's operating model.

The CX 8100 series proactively detects issues and speed troubleshooting with actionable insights provided by an analytics engine embedded in every switch offering uninterrupted infrastructure designed for resiliency and upgrades with zero downtime.

REST APIs and Python scripting provide fine-grained microservices architecture enabling full integration with other workflow systems and services.

Continuous telemetry data with Internet Protocol Flow Information Export (IPFIX) and WebSocket subscriptions for event-driven automation.

HPE Aruba Networking CX Network Analytics Engine (NAE)

HPE Aruba Networking CX 8100 Switch Series utilizes NAE for advanced telemetry and automation to provide industry-first monitoring and troubleshooting systems that greatly improves network operations.

Customers can use data from the time series database (TSDB) to store configuration and operational state to write software modules to troubleshoot problems. This data may also be used to analyze trends, identify anomalies, and predict future capacity requirements.

High availability and resiliency

All software processes in the HPE Aruba Networking CX 8100 Switch Series run as microservices that communicate through the state database of the switch; there is no direct communication between microservices. Should a software process crash, the impact of that failure will be limited.

The ability of HPE Aruba Networking CX Switch Operating System (AOS-CX) to maintain synchronous state across dual control planes allows a unique high availability solution called HPE Aruba Networking Virtual Switching Extension (VSX).

The VSX provides a robust, yet simple solution for high availability with a unique design for control plane synchronization and an architecture that is redundant in both hardware and software by deploying two chassis with an interswitch link, maintaining its independent control.

Software-defined automation

The HPE Aruba Networking CX 8100 Switch Series is supported by HPE Aruba Networking Fabric Composer, a software-defined orchestration solution that simplifies and accelerates leaf-spine network provisioning and day-to-day operations across rack-scale compute and storage infrastructure.

Orchestrate a discrete set of switches as a single networking fabric to simplify operations and troubleshooting. This infrastructure and application-aware solution also automates various configuration and lifecycle events.

Technical specifications	HPE Aruba Networking CX 8100 48x10G SFP+ 4x40/100G QSFP28 FB Airflow 3Fan 2AC PSU Switch Bdl
Product Number	R9W90A
Differentiator	CX 8100 48 x 10G 4 x 40/100G front-to-back bundle
Power consumption	Maximum: 450W Idle: 120W
Heat dissipation	1535 BTU/hr
Input voltage	100–127V 7.1A for 100–127 VAC 200–240V 3.4A for 200–240 VAC
Ports	48 ports of 1/10GbE (SFP/SFP+) 4 ports of 40/100GbE (QSFP+/QSFP28)
Switching capacity	1.76 Tbps
Throughput	1,309 Mpps
Memory and processor	CPU: Quad Core Arm® Cortex™ A72 @ 1.8 GHz Memory and flash: 16 GB RAM, 32 GB Flash/storage Packet buffer: 32 MB
Power supply	Bundles include the 2 power supplies (2 x JL600A in R9W86A, R9W88A, R9W90A and R9W92A)
Management features	RJ-45 serial and USB-C console RJ-45 Ethernet port USB Type-A
Operating temperature	32°F to 104°F (0°C to 40°C) up to 5000 ft depending on the model
Warranty	Limited lifetime warranty. See the warranty duration.

HPE Aruba Networking Services

HPE Aruba Networking services simplify and accelerate the network technology lifecycle, enabling your network to scale with better predictability and cost-effectiveness. Whether you operate your own network and need to improve your IT efficiencies, or you want to offload some of the burden, we have the services you need to reach your goals.

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- Architecture review and design
- Deployment, migration, and knowledge transfer

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- Intelligent Operations
- Customer Experience Management

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HPE GreenLake for Networking

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