

Cisco Network Convergence System 540 Router

The Cisco Visual Network Index[™] forecasts that global IP traffic will increase threefold by 2021, driven by both mobile and wireline traffic. This explosion will be driven by next generation technologies such as 5G for mobile, Remote PHY for cable and Carrier Ethernet evolution. The service provider network of the future will not just provide exponentially higher bandwidth at lower operating costs but will also be capable of enabling new applications such as pervasive mobile broadband, massive IoT, tactile Internet, smart cities, and virtual reality.

The Cisco[®] Network Convergence System 540 Routers (NCS 540) are designed for cost-effective delivery of these next-generation services and applications. These routers are temperature-hardened, high-throughput, small form factor, low-power-consumption devices suitable for both outdoor and indoor deployments. They are powered by the industry-leading carrier-class 64-bit version of Cisco IOS XR Software designed for operational efficiency and service agility. Cisco IOS XR Software offers advanced features such as programmability, application awareness, network visibility, and automation. The Cisco NCS 540 series of routers is an intelligent converged access platform which enables service providers to deliver next-level business and entertainment experiences.

Figure 1. Cisco N540-ACC-SYS chassis



Specifications

Tables 1 through 7 list primary specifications for the Cisco NCS 540 fixed chassis.

Table 1. Cisco NCS 540 chassis specification

Chassis PID	N540-24Z8Q2C- SYS	N540-ACC-SYS N540X-ACC-SYS (Conformal Coated)	N540X-12Z16G- SYS	N540X- 16Z4G8Q2C "	N540-28Z4C-SYS	N540-12Z20G- SYS
Route Processor	4-core 1.5Ghz x86 CPU, 32GB, 128GB SATA	4-core 1.5Ghz x86 CPU, 16GB, 128GB SATA	4-core 1.7GHz x86 CPU, 8GB DRAM, 32G eMMC	8-core 1.7GHz x86 CPU, 8GB DRAM, 32G eMMC	8-core 1.7GHz x86 CPU, 8GB DRAM, 32G eMMC	4-core 1.7GHz x86 CPU, 8GB DRAM, 32G eMMC
Port Config	24x1GE/10GE 8x1GE/10GE/25G E 2x 40GE/100GE	24x1GE/10GE 8x1GE/10GE/25G E 2x 40GE/100GE	12x1G SFP 4x1G Cu 12x10G	16x10G 4x1GCu 8x25G+2x100G	28x10G 4x100G	20x1G 12x10G

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PSU/Fan	2 hot-swappable power supplies provide 1+1 redundancy 4 fans provide 3+1 redundant system cooling Front-to-back airflow	2 hot-swappable power supplies provide 1+1 redundancy 4 fans provide 3+1 redundant system cooling Front-to-back airflow	Fixed Dual DC Fixed Single AC Fixed Fans Side to Side Airflow	Fixed Dual DC Fixed Single AC Modular Fan Tray Side to Side Airflow	Fixed Dual DC Fixed Single AC Fixed Fans Front to Back Airflow	Fixed Dual DC Fixed Single AC Fixed Fans Front to Back Airflow
Temp Range	iTemp: -40C to +70C (1000ft.), +65C (6000ft.), +55C (13,000ft.)	iTemp: -40C to +70C (1000ft.), +65C (6000ft.), +55C (13,000ft.) Conformal coated SKU for hot humid conditions	iTemp: -40C to +70C Conformal coated SKU for hot humid conditions	iTemp: -40C to +70C Conformal coated SKU for hot humid conditions	Commercial Temperature: 0 to 50C	Commercial Temperature: 0 to 50C
Optics	24 x 10GE ports with SFP+ or SFP optics for 10GE or 1GE options 8 x 25GE with SFP28 or SFP+ optics for 25GE, 10GE or 1GE options 2 x 100GE with QSFP28 optics (supports 4 x 25GE breakout), or as 2 x 40GE with QSFP+ optics (supports 4 x 10GE breakout)	24 x 10GE ports with SFP+ or SFP optics for 10GE or 1GE options 8 x 25GE with SFP28 or SFP+ optics for 25GE, 10GE or 1GE options 2 x 100GE with QSFP28 optics (supports 4 x 25GE breakout), or as 2 x 40GE with QSFP+ optics (supports 4 x 10GE breakout)	1/10G:SR/LR/ER/ ZR/ DWDM	1/10G:SR/LR/ER/ ZR/DWDM 25G: SR/LR, 40G: SR/LR/ER, 100G: SR/LR/ER4L	1/10G:SR/LR 100G: SR/LR	1/10G:SR/LR
Timing	Internal GNSS module with GPS, GLONASS, Galileo, Beidou Interfaces: 1 PPS in/out, 10Mhz in/out, ToD in/out, antenna for internal GNSS Class-B	Internal GNSS module with GPS, GLONASS, Galileo, Beidou Interfaces: 1 PPS in/out, 10Mhz in/out, ToD in/out, antenna for internal GNSS Class-B	1588/SyncE,GNS S, 1PPS, ToD, 10MHz, Class-C	1588/SyncE, GNSS, 1PPS, ToD, 10MHz, Class-C	1588v2, TOD, BITS, 1PPS, 10MHz, Class-B	1588v2, TOD, BITS, 1PPS, 10MHz, Class-B
Physical Specs	1RU 1.72 in. x 17.3 in. x 10.02 in. Weight: 14 lb. (6.35kg)	1RU 1.72 in. x 17.3 in. x 10.02 in. Weight: 14 lb. (6.35kg)	1RU 1.75 in. x 17.5 in. x 9.84 in.	1RU 1.75 in. x 17.5 in. x 9.84 in.	1RU 1.75 in. x 17.5 in. x 9.84 in.	1RU 1.75 in. x 17.5 in. x 9.84 in.

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 Table 2.
 Software feature support on NCS 540 in Cisco IOS XR 6.3.2 release or beyond

Description	Specification
Layer 2	Layer 2 switch ports IEEE 802.1Q VLAN encapsulation / Q-in-Q encapsulation IEEE 802.1ad Ethernet Link Aggregation Group (LAG) (up to 32 ports) Link Aggregation Control Protocol (LACP): IEEE 802.3ad Jumbo frames on all ports (up to 9216 bytes) L2 ingress Access Control List (ACL) Ethernet Flow Point (EFP) and VLAN trunks L2 Bridge Domains
Layer 3	IPv4 and IPv6 unicast Layer 3 interfaces: physical interfaces and sub-interfaces Routing protocols: static, Open Shortest Path First (OSPFv2), OSPFv3, Intermediate System to Intermediate System (ISIS), ISISv6, and Border Gateway Protocol (BGP) 32-way equal-cost multipath (ECMP) L3 ingress and egress IPv4 ACL and IPv6 ACL Bidirectional Forwarding Detection (BFD) Cisco bundle Ethernet technology (up to 32 ports per Ethernet bundle) Jumbo frame support (up to 9216 bytes) Virtual Router Redundancy Protocol (VRRP)Integrated Routing Bridging (IRB) with Bridge Virtual Interface (BVI)
MPLS	Label switching LDP SR-MPLS RSVP-TE and SR-TE MPLS Traffic Engineering Point-to-point L2VPN – T-LDP, BGP, EVPN-VPWS Multipoint L2VPN – VPLS, EVPN L2/L3 VPN EVPN with Anycast IRB
Segment Routing (SR)	Segment Routing with MPLS data plane ISIS extensions to segment routing OSPF extensions to segment routing BGP extensions to segment routing BGP egress peering engineering (BGP-EPE) Segment Routing Traffic Engineering (SR-TE) Segment routing Topology Independent Loop-Free Alternatives (TI-LFA) On-Demand Next-hop (ODN)
Multicast	IPv4, IPv6 PIM-SM, PIM-SSM IGMPv3, MLDv2 PIM-ECMP mLDP P2MP-TE
Quality of Service (QoS)	Hierarchical QoS Ingress classification based on class of service (L2) IP differentiated service code point (L3) IP precedence (type of service) (L3) Policing, Shaping 4096 number of queues for user traffic Support for priority queuing 3GB packet buffer
Timing	T-GM, T-BC, T-TSC Integrated GNSS module with GPS, GLONASS, Galileo, Beidou SyncE, G.8265.1, G.8275.1, G.8275.2 G.8273.2 Class B

Description	Specification
Automation	Zero-Touch Provisioning (ZTP) with iPXE Configuration management Network Configuration Protocol (NETCONF/YANG model)
Security	Control-plane and management plane protection Authentication, Authorization, and Accounting (AAA) Terminal Access Controller Access-Control System Plus (TACACS+) Secure Shell (SSH) Protocol Layer 2 ingress ACLs Layer 3 ingress ACLs
Management	MIB, XML, JSON, GPB, and SNMP
OAM	MPLS OAM Ethernet OAM MEF 3.0 certified (ELINE, ELAN, ETREE, ACCESS ELINE, TRANSIT ELINE).

Supported transceiver modules

Please refer NCS 5500/540 Series supported transceivers module matrix

https://www.cisco.com/c/en/us/support/interfaces-modules/transceiver-modules/products-device-support-tables-list.html.

Environment

 Table 3.
 Environmental properties for NCS 540 fixed systems

Normal operating temperature	Industrial temperature -40°C to +70°C (1000 ft.), +65°C (6000 ft.), +55°C (13,000 ft.)
Nonoperating (storage) temperature	-40 to 158°F (-40 to 70°C)
Operating humidity	5% to 95% (noncondensing)
Storage (relative) humidity	5% to 95% at 40°C per NEBS GR-63-Core
Altitude	0 to 13,000 ft.
Power inputs	Worldwide ranging AC (90–265V; 50–60 Hz) Worldwide ranging DC (–40V to –72V)
Airflow	Front to Back

Regulatory standards compliance

 Table 4.
 Regulatory standards compliance: safety and EMC

Specification	Description
Regulatory compliance	Products should comply with CE markings according to directives 2004/108/EC and 2006/95/EC
Network Equipment Building Standards (NEBS)	Designed to meet GR-63-CORE and GR-1089-CORE
Safety	UL 60950-1 Second Edition CAN/CSA-C22.2 No. 60950-1 Second Edition EN 60950-1 Second Edition IEC 60950-1 Second Edition AS/NZS 60950-1 GB4943

Specification	Description
EMC standards	47CFR Part 15 (CFR 47) Class A AS/NZS CISPR22 Class A CISPR22 Class A EN55022 Class A ICES003 Class A VCCI Class A EN61000-3-2 EN61000-3-3 KN22 Class A CNS13438 Class A
EMC immunity	EN55024 CISPR24 EN300386 KN 61000-4 series
ETSI	ETS/EN 300 119 Part 4 ETS/EN 300 019 - Storage: Class 1.2, Transportation: Class 2.3, In-Use/Operational: Class 3.2 ETS/EN 300 753
RoHS	The product is RoHS-6 compliant with exceptions for leaded-ball grid-array (BGA) balls and lead press-fit connectors

Ordering information

 Table 5.
 Ordering information for NCS 540

	Part number	Description
Chassis	N540-ACC-SYS	NCS 540 24x1/10GE, 8x10/25GE, 2x100GE chassis
	N540-24Z8Q2C-SYS****	NCS 540 24x1/10GE, 8x10/25GE, 2x100GE chassis
	N540X-ACC-SYC	NCS 540 24x1/10GE, 8x10/25GE, 2x100GE conformal coated chassis
Compliance Model	N540-ACC-SYS N540X-ACC-SYS N540-24Z8Q2C-M	NCS 540 24x1/10GE, 8x10/25GE, 2x100GE chassis NCS 540 24x1/10GE, 8x10/25GE, 2x100GE conformal coated chassis NCS 540 24x1/10GE, 8x10/25GE, 2x100GE chassis
sw	XR-6.5-K9-AC-TRK	NCS 540 Cisco IOS XR 6.5 image
	TRK-6.5-54-K9	IOS XR 6.5 K9 Tracking PID
Fan	N540-FAN	NCS 540 chassis fan
Power supply	N540-PWR400-A N540-PWR400-D	NCS 540 AC 400W power supply NCS 540 DC 400W power supply
Accessories	N540-RCKMT-19 NCS540-ACC-DCAP=	NCS 540 19-inch rack mounting bracket NCS 540 Dust Caps

For third party app hosting

 Table 6.
 Ordering information for software licenses available on NCS 540

Part number	Description
ESS-AC-10G-RTU-1	Essentials SW Right-to-Use per 10G
ADV-AC-10G-RTU-1	Advanced SW Right-to-Use per 10G
ESS-10G-SIA-3	Essentials SW Innovation Access per 10G 3 year subscription
ESS-10G-SIA-5	Essentials SW Innovation Access per 10G 5 year subscription
ADV-10G-SIA-3	Advanced SW Innovation Access per 10G 3 year subscription
ADV-10G-SIA-5	Advanced SW Innovation Access per 10G 5 year subscription

Table 7. Ordering information for power cables supported on NCS 540

Part number	Description
CAB-AC-SA	Power Cord - South Africa, 16/10A,250V,1830mm, -40C to +85C
CAB-AC-ARG	Power Cord - Argentina, 10A,250V,2500mm, -40C to +85C
CAB-AC-ISR	Power Cord - Israel, 16/10A,250V,2500mm, -40C to +85C
CAB-AC-TAI	Power Cord - Taiwan, 15/10A,125V,2500mm, -40C to +85C
CAB-AC-CHI	Power Cord - China, 10A,250V,2500mm, -40C to +85C
CAB-AC-KOR	Power Cord - Korea, 16/10A,125V,2500mm, -40C to +85C
CAB-AC-EUR	Power Cord - Europe, 16/10A,250V, 2500mm, -40C to +85C
CAB-AC-ITL	Power Cord - Italy, 10A,250V, 2500mm, -40C to +85C
CAB-AC-UK	Power Cord - UK, 13/10A, 250V, 2500mm, -40C to +85C
CAB-AC-AUS	Power Cord - Australia, 10A,250V,2500mm, -40C to +85C
CAB-AC-US	Power Cord - US, 15A,125V,2500mm,-40C to +85C
CAB-AC-BRA	Power Cord - Brazil, 10A,250V,2500mm, -40C to +85C
CAB-AC-IND	Power Cord - India, 16/10A,250V,2500mm, -40C to +85C
CAB-AC-SUI	Power Cord - Swiss, 10A,250V,2500mm, -40C to +85C

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The Cisco NCS 540 has a 1-year limited hardware warranty. The warranty includes hardware replacement with a 10-day turnaround from receipt of a Return Materials Authorization (RMA).

For more information

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