

RDS for SQL Server

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1 Product Change Notices

1.1 [Product Discontinuation Notice] RDS for SQL Server 2012 Will Be Discontinued on December 1, 2025, 00:00:00 GMT+08:00

Notice Content

On December 1, 2025, 00:00:00 GMT+08:00, Huawei Cloud will discontinue the sale of RDS for SQL Server 2012.

Scope

All regions

Impacts

After RDS for SQL Server 2012 is discontinued, DB instances of this version will no longer be available for purchase. But previously purchased instances will still be usable. For more functions and better performance, you are advised to buy the latest available version.

FAQ

- Why Will RDS for SQL Server 2012 Be Discontinued?
The product vendor ended support for SQL Server 2012 on July 12, 2022. Since that date, they have not provided free patches or security updates. They now only provide paid extended security updates.
- Will My DB Instances of RDS for SQL Server 2012 Be Affected After This Version Is Discontinued?
No. Previously purchased instances of this version are still usable.

1.2 [Offline Notice] RDS for SQL Server 2008 R2 Will Go Offline on December 1, 2025, 00:00:00 GMT+08:00

Notice Content

On December 1, 2025, 00:00:00 GMT+08:00, RDS for SQL Server 2008 R2 will go offline.

Scope

All regions

Impacts

After RDS for SQL Server 2008 R2 goes offline, no more patches or security updates will be provided for this version, and the RDS for SQL Server SLA will no longer be valid.

FAQ

- **Why Will RDS for SQL Server 2008 R2 Be Taken Offline?**
The product vendor ended support for SQL Server 2008 R2 on July 9, 2019. Since that date, they have not provided free patches or security updates. They also ended paid extended security updates on July 9, 2022.
- **What Should I Do with My DB Instances of RDS for SQL Server 2008 R2 After This Version Goes Offline?**
You are advised to upgrade instances to SQL Server 2014 or later for more functions and better performance. For details about how to upgrade an instance, see [Creating an RDS Backup Migration Task](#).

2 Product Lifecycle

RDS for SQL Server is reliable, secure, scalable, inexpensive, and easy to manage. It features high availability, data security, failover in seconds, and flexible backup. This section describes the versioning policy of RDS for SQL Server.

Table 2-1 Version lifecycle

Version	Status	Released by Huawei Cloud	EOM	EOS
SQL Server 2022	Commercial use	June 2023	December 2036	December 2038
SQL Server 2019	Commercial use	December 2021	December 2033	December 2035
SQL Server 2017	Commercial use	May 2020	December 2030	December 2032
SQL Server 2016	Commercial use	January 2018	December 2029	December 2031
SQL Server 2014	Commercial use	January 2018	December 2027	December 2029
SQL Server 2012	Commercial use	January 2018	December 2025	December 2027
SQL Server 2008 R2	Discontinued	January 2018	July 2021	December 2025

NOTE

The versioning policy of RDS for SQL Server follows the Microsoft lifecycle policy. For details, click [here](#). If Microsoft stops maintaining a version, RDS for SQL Server will also gradually stop providing support for it.