Snow Inventory delivers a clear and accurate view of the hardware devices and software assets deployed across multi-platform, multi-site networks.

Snow Inventory is optimized for networks where CIOs and IT Directors need a single view of the hardware and software deployed across multiple environments and locations. It supports all major enterprise computing platforms, including Windows, Mac OS X, Linux, UNIX, Thin Client and all common virtualization technologies.

More than just auditing the presence of hardware and software, Snow Inventory delivers actionable intelligence on software usage, facilitating effective business decision-making on cost-saving initiatives such as license re-harvesting, support renewal negotiations and vendor management.

With immediate access to near-real-time information about the configuration of hardware and consumption of software, Snow Inventory allows you to do more than just reactively monitor status. Snow Inventory enables you to proactively manage software usage, actively resolve issues and analyze changes across the network.

AUTOMATIC INTEGRATION WITH SNOW LICENSE MANAGER

To provide a comprehensive Software Asset Management (SAM) platform, Snow Inventory automatically integrates with Snow License Manager. Audit information collected from across all supported devices is seamlessly uploaded to the Snow License Manager repository and raw software audit information is automatically processed through the unique Snow Software Recognition Service (SRS).

Snow License Manager’s multi-user role-based interface can be used to share both hardware and software asset information across many stakeholders from various locations, teams and departments.

CREATING A LAYERED APPROACH TO SAM

Where an organization has already made investments in third-party inventory solutions but still have ‘gaps’ on the network, Snow Inventory is a perfect complement, providing critical coverage of platforms such as Mac OS X, Linux and UNIX. Snow License Manager can take simultaneous feeds from multiple inventory solutions.
SNOW INVENTORY BENEFITS

SINGLE CONSOLE VIEW
Track and manage hardware and software assets from desktop applications to datacenter databases in a unified view.

REMOTE CONTROL
Take control of any computer directly from the console in order to support, instruct or fix problems identified in Snow Inventory.

APPLICATION LOCK-DOWN
Preventing unauthorized software from being used with the Snow Inventory Software Policy Enforcer.

ENSURE SECURITY
Real time information shows status of service packs, virus definitions etc., making it easy to check that security policies are being complied with.

MONITOR CHANGES
Snow Inventory stores all hardware and software changes or removals, enabling administrators to find and analyze errors depending on historical changes, when they occurred and who made them.

MINIMAL ADMINISTRATION
The innovative user interface includes functions and maintenance features such as push installation and automatic update ensures rapid deployment and effective administration.

EFFECTIVE REPORTING & PLANNING
With up to date information about the hardware and software assets across the corporate network, Snow Inventory provides the data and management reporting engine necessary to create realistic plans and future budgets based on actual usage and real needs.

INCREASE HELP DESK AND SERVICE MANAGEMENT PRODUCTIVITY
Integrating Snow Inventory with your existing help desk systems can help accelerate problem resolution times, improve first-time fixes and raise customer satisfaction:
- Check real-time information about hardware such as status on service packs and virus definitions.
- Track past changes and removals to find past errors, when they occurred and who made them.
- Take control of any computer directly from the console using Remote Control to support, instruct or fix problems identified in Snow Inventory.

SNOW INVENTORY CONFIGURATION FEATURES

MANAGING VIRTUAL ASSETS
To help organizations manage the growing challenge presented by virtual assets and cloud-based applications, Snow Inventory supports multiple virtualization technologies, including:
- Microsoft (Hyper-V, RDS and App-V)
- VMware (vSphere and ThinApp)
- Citrix (XenApp)
- Snow Inventory provides audit information at all layers, from the physical hardware through to host devices and virtualized applications. Configuration data from the hosts and guests can be automatically reconciled in Snow License Manager to ensure compliance with hardware configuration-related software licensing requirements.

TRACKING CLOUD-BASED APPLICATIONS
Snow Inventory enables organizations to proactively track the usage of cloud-based applications, providing detailed information on both overall application usage and individual user activity. This usage can then be reconciled against licenses and costs in Snow License Manager.

MONITORING SOFTWARE USAGE
Snow Inventory clients track software usage on devices by individual users, providing detailed intelligence to drive software harvesting programs and ensuring that license utilization is optimized.

FULL HARDWARE CONFIGURATION
Over 200 hardware configuration properties are recorded, including:
- Hardware - Processors, memory etc.
- Peripherals - Installed printers, USB devices, Disk drives etc.
- Network - Configurations and settings.