

# End-of-Sale Announcement of Fixed Configuration Catalyst 2900 Series XL

Cisco is announcing the End-of-Sale of Fixed Configuration Catalyst® 2900 Series XL Switches, including respective Multi-Pack units, as per the descriptions and schedule detailed below. All impacted products are being replaced by the recently launched Catalyst 2950 Series, which offer superior functionality at the same price. The last order date for the affected products is October 31, 2001. Please advise and transition all existing and potential customers of these products to the Catalyst 2950 Series, as per the replacement matrix given below.

Note: This announcement does NOT affect the Modular Configuration of the Catalyst 2900 Series XL (WS-C2924M-XL-EN, WS-C2924M-XL-EN-DC, WS-C2912MF-XL) or the Expansion Modules (WS-X2914-XL-V, WS-X2922-XL-V, WS-X2924-XL-V, WS-X2931-XL, WS-X2932-XL, WS-X2951-XL, WS-X2961-XL, WS-X2971-XL, WS-X2972-XL) for this platform. These products will continue to be manufactured, sold and supported by Cisco until further notice.

#### Affected Model Numbers and Replacement Product Summary

| Affected Product   | Description  | Replacement Product            | Description  |
|--------------------|--|--------------------------------|--|
| WS-C2912-XL-EN     | 12-port 10/100 switch  | WS-C2950-12                    | 12-port 10/100 switch  |
| WS-C2924-XL-EN     | 24-port 10/100 switch  | WS-C2950-24 or<br>WS-C2950T-24 | 24-port 10/100 switch, or<br>24-port 10/100 + 2-port<br>10/100/1000BaseT |
| WS-C2924C-XL-EN    | 22-port 10/100 + 2-port<br>100BaseFX switch                                      | WS-C2950C-24                   | 24-port 10/100 + 2-port<br>100BaseFX switch                              |
| WS-C2924-XL-EN-5P  | Catalyst 2924 XL<br>Enterprise Edition, 5-pack                                   | None                           | N/A  |
| WS-C2924C-XL-EN-5P | Catalyst 2924C XL<br>Enterprise Edition, 5-pack                                  | None                           | N/A  |
| WS-C2924-XL-EN-A5  | 5 Catalyst 2924 XL<br>Enterprise Edition for APAC                                | WS-C2950-24-XL-EN-A5           | 5-pack of Catalyst 2950-24,<br>APAC wholesale only                       |
| WS-C2900-XL-EN-56  | One Catalyst 2924M XL-EN<br>and two Catalyst 2924<br>XL-EN, 56-port stack pack   | None                           | N/A  |
| WS-C2900-XL-EN-104 | One Catalyst 2924M XL-EN<br>and four Catalyst 2924<br>XL-EN, 104-port stack pack | None                           | N/A  |



## Key Dates

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|-----------------------|------------------|
| Last Order Date:      | October 31, 2001 |
| End of Sale Date:     | November 1, 2001 |
| End of Shipment Date: | December 1, 2001 |
| End of Support Date:  | November 1, 2006 |

Please communicate this EOS information to your customers, and place your Last-Time Buys for the EOS products before orderability is turned off on November 1, 2001.

## Key Benefits of the New Catalyst 2950 Series Switches vs. EOS Products

1. More value at the same price—The Catalyst 2950 Series Switches deliver better performance and enhanced Cisco IOS® services at the same price points as comparable Catalyst 2900 Series XL products.
2. Easy and powerful upgrade to Gigabit Ethernet (an upsell opportunity for you!)—Midmarket customers previously deploying Fast Ethernet backbones can now move to Gigabit Ethernet in the backbone for just 10-percent incremental price/port with the Catalyst 2950T-24 (24 10/100 and two 10/100/1000 ports) using existing Category 5 wiring.
3. Enhanced Cisco IOS Services including sophisticated QoS and IGMP Snooping—Catalyst 2950 Series Switches deliver a full Layer 2 QoS feature set with four egress queues, Weighted Round Robin (WRR) scheduling and Strict Priority Scheduling, with an ability to classify/reclassify CoS.
4. Performance—The Catalyst 2950 Series is a family of wire-speed switches, with 8.8 Gbps switching fabric and maximum forwarding rate of 6.6 million packets per second.

## Additional Resources

Cisco Technology Migration Plan (CTMP)

- Customers can trade in current Catalyst 2900 Series XL Switches for Catalyst 2950 Series Switches. For detailed trade-in information visit:  
<http://www.cisco.com/warp/public/767/icam/tmpctmp.html>

Catalyst 2950 Product Literature

- For more information on the Catalyst 2950 Series, visit:  
<http://www.cisco.com/warp/public/cc/pd/si/casi/ca2950/prodlit/index.shtml>

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