Solution overview

Overview

While operational efficiency will always be a priority for contact centers, more and more are aspiring to be strategic corporate assets by contributing to revenues, improving agent performance and productivity, and increasing overall customer satisfaction and retention rates.

Cisco Webex® Contact Center provides sales and service contact center staff the ability to improve the customer experience and optimize performance with dynamic, predictive analytics. By leveraging the data in multiple contact center systems and applying predictive analytics, Cisco® Webex Contact Center dynamically predicts each customer’s needs and matches the customer with the best agent to handle that need, improving performance, sales, and the customer experience.

The Cisco Webex Contact Center is a unified, omnichannel contact center solution that is centrally managed and administered from the cloud to improve operational efficiency and reduce costs.

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Optimize the performance of your contact center

The Cisco Webex Contact Center is a Software-as-a-Service (SaaS) offering that creates a single, global queue in the cloud from which to route omnichannel customer interactions to one or more teams, sites, or outsource partners. Webex Contact Center optimizes performance by dynamically determining how best to route each interaction based on predictive analytics.

- **Improve business outcomes** by increasing sales conversions, revenues, retention, customer satisfaction scores, and first contact resolutions.
- **Optimize the customer journey** with analytics that tell you what is really happening and predictive analytics routing that anticipates customer needs and matches each customer to the right agent for that stage of their journey.
- **Provide a consistently personalized customer experience globally** by centrally queuing voice, email, and chat so that the same routing rules are applied across the entire contact center.
- **Reduce call abandon rates** with a global queue that routes based on real-time data about call volumes, resource availability, and other variables.
- **Improve performance across sites** by centrally monitoring the business and operational performance of agents, teams, sites, systems, and outsource partners in real time.
- **Reduce administrative overhead** by managing all contact center operations, resources, and interactions from a central command center in the cloud at a reduced TCO.
- **Protect your investments** because Webex Contact Center works with your existing Cisco systems and infrastructure, and leverages the data in your other contact center applications.

Webex Contact Center key capabilities

Webex Contact Center gives you control over every incoming and outgoing interaction from a central point, regardless of organization, technology, or location. It knows which agents, teams, sites, and partners are available at any given time and sends each interaction to the agent with the best performance record for handling an issue. Collaboration capabilities for agents to engage peers inside and outside the contact center can improve your customers’ experience and optimize the customer journey during every interaction.
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Figure 1. An innovative set of capabilities for the cloud-based contact center of today and tomorrow

• **Outbound campaigns.** An outbound campaign manager automates outbound calls for sales and marketing campaigns. Preview and progressive dialing help assure agent productivity. Easy administration, a compliance tool, flexible and intelligent list management, and sophisticated dial management rules—including campaign chaining—put you in control.

• **Native cloud.** Our Webex contact center is designed and built as a cloud solution with a design philosophy to bring security and unlimited visibility, flexibility, and scalability to contact centers. It can reduce complexity and expense and enhance productivity to lower the total cost of ownership. Flex pricing makes it easy to buy.

• **Omnichannel.** Voice, email, and chat communications are in a unified environment for your agents, managers, and administrators, providing a seamless customer experience and eliminating data silos. Integrated interaction histories give the agent context about a customer and why they might be calling, enabling better customer service.

• **Predictive analytics-based routing.** Customer and agent matching use big data analytics to understand your customer's journey to date, predict the customer's need, and identify the agent with the best performance record to meet that need and deliver the desired business results.

• **Agent and expert collaboration.** Embedded voice and chat collaboration capabilities and integration with unified communications provides on-demand collaboration between your agents, managers, and subject matter experts throughout the enterprise to speed first contact resolution and enhance your customer's journey.

• **Business application integrations.** Plug-and-play connectors for CRM and other business applications (Salesforce, Microsoft Dynamics, Zendesk, and more) create seamless workflows that improve contact center performance and first contact resolution.

• **360-degree customer journey analytics.** Cross-channel customer interactions with the same intent are linked and analyzed to understand the customer experience at each stage of the journey and improve your customer service. Data from other contact center systems, such as your CRM, Workforce Optimization (WFO), or outbound campaigns, is integrated and analyzed to provide a 360-degree view not possible before.

• **Comprehensive WFO suite in a unified environment.** A Cisco Unified Workforce Optimization Suite includes Workforce Management (WFM) with dynamic scheduling that encourages agent participation, Quality Management (QM), and “voice of the customer” insights across channels via speech, and desktop analytics.

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Cisco Customer Journey Analyzer

The Customer Journey Analyzer brings data together from your Automated Call Distributor (ACD), Interactive Voice Response (IVR), Workforce Optimization (WFO), outbound campaign, Customer Relationship Management (CRM), and other customer applications and data sources into a customer engagement repository in the cloud. With all the data in one unified view, you can analyze, understand, manage, and automate customer interactions in new and innovative ways. Agent and customer activities can be directly linked to business outcomes, so you have the information you need to optimize the customer journey from beginning to end.

- **Standard real-time dashboards and scheduled reports** are easy to customize, or you can create your own.
- **An interactive analytics tool** enables the business user to combine data to create custom Key Performance Indicators (KPIs), and to drill deep into the data to determine root causes and what really matters to the business.

![Diagram of Cisco Customer Journey Analyzer](image-url)

Figure 2. The Cisco Customer Journey Analyzer uses big data and predictive analytics to improve business performance

Protect your investment

Figure 3. Leverage existing investments with centralized cloud routing

- Global queue
- Routing
- IVR
- Recording
- WFO
- Reporting
- Analytics

If you are an existing Cisco customer, we understand that you want to make the most of the investment you’ve made in your existing contact center systems. The Webex Contact Center can overlay your on-premises Cisco infrastructure and give you new, innovative functionality and centralized control of contact center operations from the cloud. If you are new to Cisco, we will help ensure that your business always has access to the most innovative features and capabilities, so you can optimize your contact center operations, business outcomes, and customer experience.
## Use cases

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| **Sales**              | • Predict every potential customer’s propensity to buy and provide service accordingly  
                          • Match each customer with the best agent for that particular customer  
                          • Know who your best-performing sales teams are and aren’t, based on objective, statistical data  
                          • Make the right offers to the right customers with the right agents to increase sales, upsells, and cross-sells |
| **Customer service**   | • Anticipate the service needs of your customers at each stage of their customer journey  
                          • Proactively meet customer service needs  
                          • Service customers in context for improved customer satisfaction  
                          • Optimize your processes with customer journey analytics that provide a 360-degree view |
| **Marketing**          | • Increase connect rates with automated dialing based on strategically planned schedules  
                          • Maximize agent time spent talking to customers with preview and progressive calling  
                          • Track the effectiveness of every campaign with unified cross-system reporting  
                          • Maximize each campaign with intelligent, flexible campaign strategies that map to business needs |
| **Operations**         | • Understand agent efficiency, productivity, and true performance with statistical performance data  
                          • Let predictive analytics drive the behavior of your systems and agents to maximize desired business outcomes  
                          • Centralize routing from the cloud to reduce abandoned calls  
                          • Reduce capital expenditures and overall TCO with the cloud |
The Cisco advantage

Delivering exceptional customer experiences—every single time—has never been more important. After all, this is how buying decisions are made. Cisco delivers an industry-leading contact center portfolio, combining world-class cloud calling, meetings, and team collaboration solutions with audio and video devices and headsets.

- **Global cloud leader:** Cisco is a market share leader for contact centers. We’re number one in North America and number two worldwide. We have more than 30,000 loyal customers and more than three million agents installed globally.

- **Integrated portfolio:** Cisco has a broad and tightly integrated portfolio, with deep expertise in all areas of communications, contact center, collaboration, calling, security, networking, and devices. We offer tremendous economies of scale around research and development and the integration of key capabilities.

- **Flexible migration:** Our “cloud first, not cloud only” approach makes it easy for you to take your first steps to cloud. Start with a flexible consumption model and advanced hybrid cloud services.

- **Intelligent journeys:** Cisco leverages the power of cloud analytics and Artificial Intelligence (AI) to help you provide contextual, suggestive, and predictive customer experiences. We’ve invested billions of dollars in companies that are feeding into our AI and machine learning practice.

- **Unified open platform:** Our open platform architecture allows you to easily enhance business processes and workflow efficiency, as well as integrate with all the business tools that touch your contact center. Our intuitive agent desktop, reporting, and management tools provide a common and unified experience.

- **Security and trust:** Cisco has an unassailable reputation for true security. We continue to invest billions of dollars to make your contact centers more secure, and to give you cloud innovation without disrupting your critical on-premises operations.