

Cisco UCS B480 M5 Blade Server



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Product overview

The enterprise-class Cisco UCS B480 M5 Blade Server delivers market-leading performance, versatility, and density without compromise for memory-intensive mission-critical enterprise applications and virtualized workloads, among others.

With the B480 M5, you can quickly deploy stateless physical and virtual workloads with the programmability that Cisco UCS Manager and Cisco[®] SingleConnect technology enable. With support for the Intel[®] Xeon[®] Scalable processors; up to 6 terabytes (TB) of memory; four SAS, SATA, and NVMe drives; M.2 storage; up to four GPUs, and 160 Gigabit Ethernet connectivity for I/O throughput, the B480 M5 offers exceptional performance, flexibility, and I/O throughput to run your most demanding applications.

The B480 M5 is a full-width blade server supported by the Cisco UCS 5108 Blade Server Chassis. The 5108 chassis and the Cisco B-Series Blade Servers provide inherent architectural advantages:

- Through Cisco UCS, gives you the architectural advantage of not having to power, cool, manage, and purchase excess switches (management, storage, and networking), Host Bus Adapters (HBAs), and Network Interface Cards (NICs) in each blade chassis
- Reduces the Total Cost of Ownership (TCO) by removing management modules from the chassis, making the chassis stateless
- Provides a single, highly available Cisco Unified Computing System[™] (Cisco UCS) management domain for all system chassis and rack servers, reducing administrative tasks

Exceptional expandability

The Cisco UCS B480 M5 Blade Server delivers flexibility, density, and expandability in a 4-socket, full-width form factor for enterprise and mission-critical applications. It offers:

- Four Intel[®] Xeon[®] Scalable CPUs (up to 28 cores per socket)
- 2666-MHz DDR4 memory and 48 DIMM slots with up to 6 TB using 128-GB DIMMs
- Cisco FlexStorage[®] storage subsystem
- Five mezzanine adapters and support for up to four GPUs

- Cisco UCS Virtual Interface Card (VIC) 1340 modular LAN on Motherboard (mLOM) and upcoming fourth-generation VIC mLOM
- Internal Secure Digital (SD) and M.2 boot options

Product specifications

Table 1 lists the specifications for the Cisco UCS B480 M5 Blade Server.

Table 1. Specifications

Item	Specifications
Form factor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full-width blade server mounts in a Cisco UCS 5100 Series Blade Server Chassis. • Up to 4 Cisco UCS B480 M5 Blade Servers can be installed per blade server chassis.
Processors	Four Intel® Xeon® Scalable processors
Memory	48 DDR4 DIMM slots: 16, 32, 64, and 128 GB up to 2666 MHz
Mezzanine slots	5 PCIe 3.0 mezzanine slots: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 slot supports the Cisco UCS VIC 1340 adapter only • 2 mezzanine-card slots support Cisco adapters, Cisco UCS storage accelerators, and GPUs • 2 front mezzanine slots support GPUs
Storage controller	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diskless system (no drive bays or RAID controller), or • Cisco FlexStorage™ 12-Gbps SAS RAID controller with Hard-Disk-Drive (HDD) cage, providing up to 12-Gbps SAS connectivity • Cisco FlexStorage 12-Gbps SAS RAID controller with 2-GB cache, Flash-Backed Write Cache (FBWC), and HDD cage, providing up to 12-Gbps SAS connectivity • Cisco FlexStorage PCI Express (PCIe) Solid-State Disk (SSD) and pass through module with HDD cage
Storage devices	Up to 4 optional, front-accessible, hot-swappable 2.5-inch Small Form Factor (SFF) SAS or SATA HDDs, SSDs, and PCIe NVMe drives
Other storage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dual internal Cisco FlexFlash SD cards (32, 64, and 128 GB) for installing an operating system or hypervisor; the second SD card can be used to mirror the first • Dual M.2 SATA SSD (240, 480, and 960 GB)
Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cisco® Intersight™ • Cisco UCS Manager • Cisco UCS Central Software • Cisco UCS Director • Cisco UCS Performance Manager
Hardware and software interoperability	See the Cisco Hardware and Software Interoperability List for a complete listing of supported operating systems and peripheral options.

System requirements

UCS Manager	3.2(1) or above
Cisco IMC	3.1(2) or above

Ordering information

For ordering information, see the Cisco UCS B480 M5 Blade Server specification sheet.

For information about installing or upgrading your server, see the [Cisco UCS B480 M5 hardware installation guide](#).

Warranty information

Cisco UCS B480 Blade Servers have a 3-year Next-Business-Day (NBD) hardware warranty and 90-day software warranty.

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