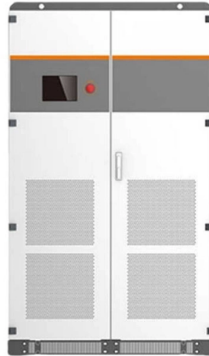


# The network server rack is very noisy



## Overview

Yes, rack-mounted servers can be loud, primarily due to their cooling fans and high-performance components. The noise level typically ranges from 40 dB to 70 dB, depending on the server's design and workload. But one of the drawbacks of these important devices that is often ignored is the noise produced. 2u tends to be noisier than 4u, and 1u is even noisier. The smaller the fans are, the faster they need to spin to move the same amount of air. Most manufacturers have dB ratings for normal and full load operations, to give you an idea of how loud they are. If you're a data center operator, you probably prioritize the reliability, energy-efficiency, and optimal layout of your servers on the data center floor. 5" drive chassis (quieter) and 2. Here's why this might be happening and how you can address it: The 2.



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Hi, the difference in noise levels between your Dell PowerEdge R550 servers with 3.5" drive chassis (quieter) and 2.5" drive chassis (louder) is unusual but not unheard of. Here's why this

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