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O&O DiskStat 4

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Introduction

O&O DiskStat 4 shows in charts how the space on your drives is used. It finds the files and folders that take up the most space, so that you can delete, move or compress them. The program runs without installation.

> **Archived Manual**
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> This is the manual of O&O DiskStat 4. It is no longer updated.

Where to start

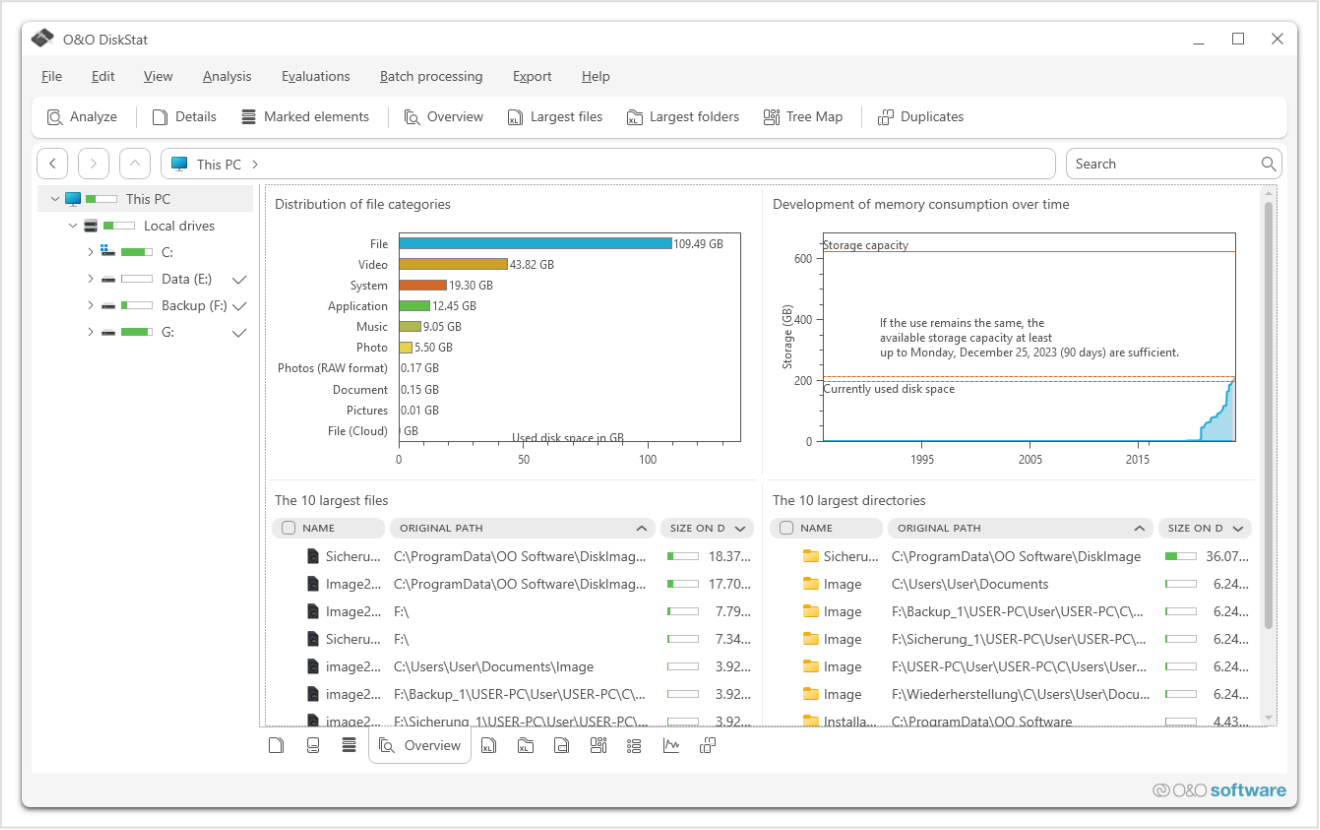
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Licensing

O&O DiskStat is commercial software. You can test it free of charge for 30 days; continued use requires a valid license.

About O&O DiskStat 4

Many thanks for choosing O&O DiskStat! O&O DiskStat enables you to analyze used space on your hard disk with the help of Charts. As soon as you start the program, you are presented with a concise overview of your entire hard disk. With the help of O&O DiskStat, you can identify and dispose of superfluous files, saving yourself valuable hard disk space in the process!



O&O DiskStat gives you a quick overview of how your hard disk is being used. This makes it easy to search for files and folders that are taking up valuable hard drive space and are slowing down the computer. Similar to Windows Explorer, the versatile tool offers an intuitive interface and a variety of options for searching for memory hogs.

The following chapters will help you get started and explain how best to use O&O DiskStat.

We hope you enjoy our product, and that it saves you valuable time both at work and at home!

System requirements

- No installation necessary, the program starts immediately
- 64-bit Support
- Windows 10 and Windows 11 (all editions):
- Windows Server – 2012 up to 2022
- .NET Framework 4.8 or later
- Internet connection

Installation, trial version and updates

Install/Uninstall

No installation is necessary, the program runs immediately without installation. No uninstallation is necessary.

Use the Trial Version

You can test O&O DiskStat with no restrictions for 30 days free of charge and obligation. When starting the program a registration assistant will appear each time displaying the remaining trial time.

Updates/Installing Updates of O&O DiskStat

O&O DiskStat automatically checks if a new version is available whenever it’s started.

If there is a new program version, you will be able to update your version.

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You can find your license data and the exact version number you’re using by clicking **About O&O DiskStat...** in the **Ribbon Bar** at **Help**.

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So-called Minor-Updates (Version 4.1 to 4.2, 4.0 to 4.5, etc.), where smaller changes in the program have been made, are free. Major updates, such as from version 4 to 5, must generally be purchased.

First steps

- The installation: No installation necessary, the program starts immediately.
- Starting the analysis: Open O&O DiskStat. After launching, you have the option to select the drive you want to analyze. Select the appropriate drive from the list and click **Analyze**.
- View analysis results: As soon as the analysis is complete, the results are presented to you in a clear diagram. You can identify the top consumers of storage space and see how much storage space they are taking up.
- Free up disk space: If you find that certain files or folders are taking up too much disk space, you can take steps to free up disk space. You have the option to delete, move or compress files.
- Use filters: O&O DiskStat offers various filter options with which you can restrict the results displayed to specific file types or folders. For example, you can filter only for music files or temporary files to keep track.
- Track development over time: With O&O DiskStat you can also track the development of storage space usage over time. You can view graphs to see how storage space has changed over time.
- Additional functions: O&O DiskStat offers additional functions such as exporting and importing analysis files, batch processing of files and directories, and marking files across directory and partition boundaries.

Navigation Through Your Computer

In the Treeview, just as in Windows Explorer, you have a general summary of all the folders and subfolders in the drives.

Analyzing drives

Analyzing your drive lets you see how much disk space individual programs, applications are occupying. The result is displayed in the form of a chart which displays the distribution of disk space. Once an analysis is complete, you can remove no longer needed data from your drive, for example, old or superfluous files.

- Select a drive in the navigation tree and then click Start analysis in the tool list.

Analyzing drives

To analyze a drive, please follow these instructions:

- Start O&O DiskStat. After startup O&O DiskStat shows a chart displaying used and free space on the selected drive.
- Select a drive you would like to analyze in the Treeview on the left-hand side.
- Then click Start analysis in the toolbar.

A chart will appear displaying the respective space usage and allocation.

The Status Bar displays a progress bar indicating the status of the analysis.

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If you wish to analyze every hard disk, click on My Computer and start the analysis from there. Depending on the size of the disks, this procedure can take several minutes.

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Understanding the chart

The chart displays files or folders and shows their comparative sizes. Individual sizes are shown in the labels. Smaller files and folders are lumped together and displayed as such. You can set the chart type (tree map, categories, disk space usage) in the toolbar below or under View. Each chart is designed interactively. By clicking on an individual folder in the chart, this folder will then be displayed as a chart itself.

Tree Map The tree map in O&O DiskStat gives you a visual representation of the storage space usage on your drives. Here, files and folders are represented in the form of a tree diagram, with the size of each item being proportional to its disk space consumption. This allows you to see at a glance which files or folders are taking up the most space on your hard drive.

Overview of the Hard Disk

The start screen of O&O DiskStat displays an overview of used and free space on all drives.

Deleting Superfluous Data

Upon completing an analysis, you can delete selected files and folders:

1. In the chart, right-click the file or folder you wish to delete.
2. Select Delete from the context menu.
3. The selected folder will then be deleted and placed in the Recycle Bin.

Edit

Here you can access important and helpful functions for editing, copying, deleting and renaming your data. You can also create new directories here and display the properties of individual files and folders.

Analysis

Start the analysis of individual or all drives here.

Batch processing

Mark all files here or uncheck them again. Copy, delete or move your selection of files with a simple mouse click.

Export

Export individual paths to your files here. You have the option of copying the path to the clipboard, transferring it to the editor or exporting the path to a *.txt file.

View

Here you will find different views and overviews of your files.

Help

Under **Help** you will find information about the program version and the status of the license, as well as about updates and the online help. If you want to release your license, you can do this under **Help** -> **About O&O DiskStat**.

Under **Check for new version** you get information about available updates and the possibility to install them. You will also be informed if an upgrade is available, but depending on the license type, you may be charged for this.

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- If you decide to upgrade, download the current program version from our website under (Downloads) and save the installation file on your computer.
- Your license data will normally be saved during Minor Updates so you won't have to enter them again after a successful installation. To be on the safe side, we do recommend keeping your license key for the current version within easy reach - just in case you run into trouble.
- "Major Updates" will require the new license that you receive upon purchasing the software.

Settings

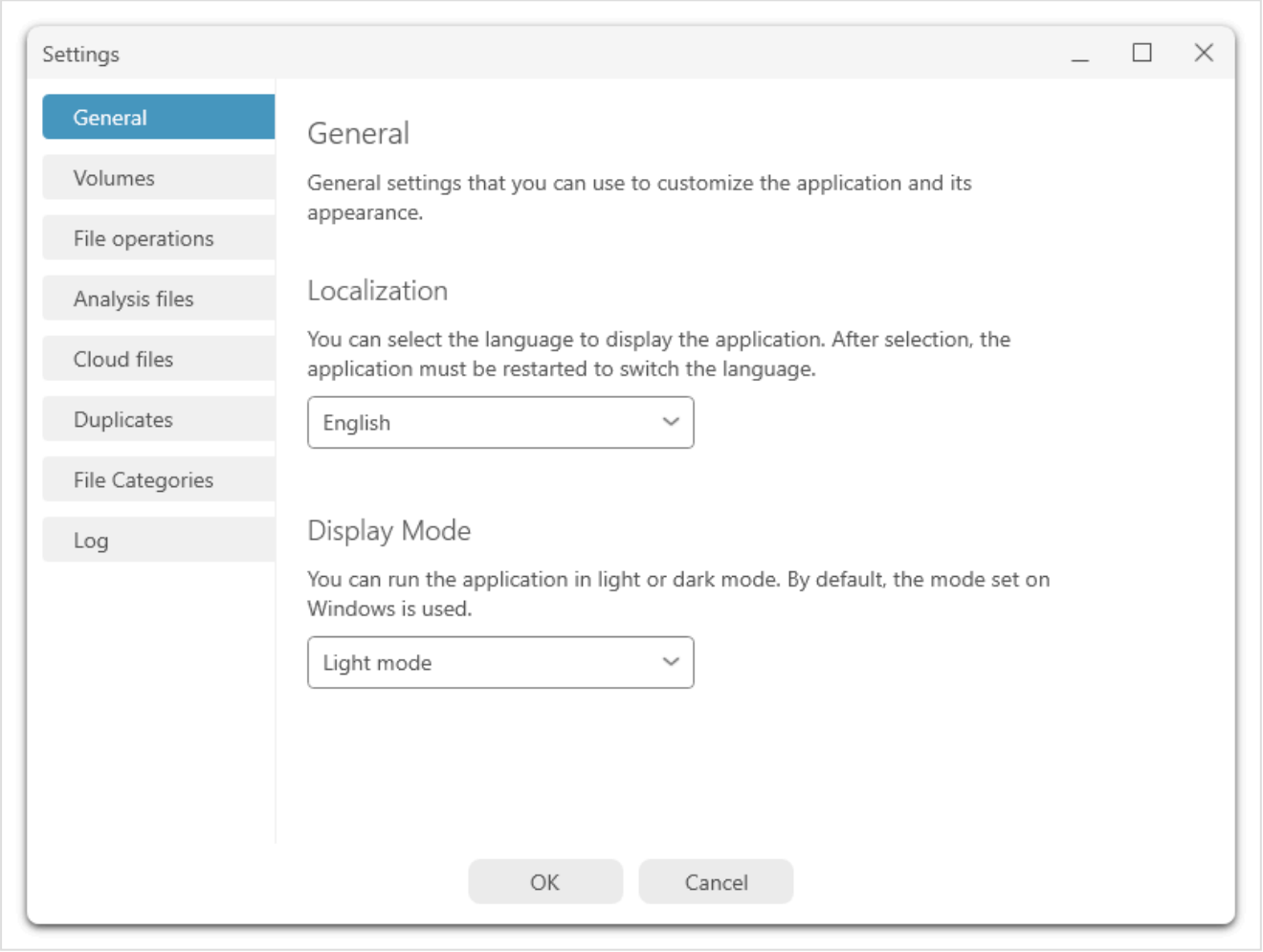
The settings can be found under **File** and then select **Settings**

General

General settings that allow you to customize the application and its appearance.

Localization You can select the language for the display of O&O DiskStat. After the selection, the O&O DiskStat must be restarted in order to change the language.

Display mode You can operate O&O DiskStat in light or dark mode.



Analysis files

Analyzes can be exported and later imported again. This allows you to browse the directory and file structure of drives that may not be connected to this computer. With the following settings you can influence the behavior of O&O DiskStat accordingly.

Enable analysis loading and saving After analysis, you can save the directory structure to a file and load it again later for access. This drive no longer needs to be connected to the computer.

Automatically load drive analyzes at program start When the program starts, the analysis files last used are loaded automatically.

Enable automatic saving of analytics After the analysis, it is automatically saved in the start directory.

Cloud Files

Files placed on your computer by cloud storage services can be treated in a special way to improve disk space analysis.

Include files from OneDrive directories If you use OneDrive, these files will be synchronized to your computer. If necessary, the files are downloaded from OneDrive to your computer, so that they take up the appropriate storage space. You can include or exclude these files from the analysis.

Duplicates

Duplicate files can consume valuable disk space. You can search for these duplicates and then move or delete them.

Minimum file size for duplicate checking To speed up the search for duplicates, you can define a minimum size from which duplicates are checked.

Excluded Directories You can exclude directories from the duplicate search to reduce the search effort. These include, for example, program directories or the Windows directory. These are already predefined. You can add or change them below.

File Categories

Show category icon on file types Files and directories are divided into categories for which corresponding statistics are displayed. The colored marking for the file types can be displayed or hidden with this option.

File categories allow you to group specific file types together. To do this, define a category and add the appropriate file extensions, files or paths. Based on this, the files are then classified into the category.

Log

It may be necessary to enable logging to analyze problems when using the application. These files are stored locally and can only be passed on to our support by you if they should need them.

Enable logging When logging is enabled, all relevant events are written to a log file in the application's home directory.

Support and more from O&O

O&O Software support helps with questions and problems concerning O&O DiskStat 4.

Contact support

Open O&O Software support. Include:

- The version of O&O DiskStat.
- The Windows version of your computer.
- The drive you analyzed and its size.
- The complete error message, if any.

Never send passwords or license keys. O&O support does not need them.

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More from O&O

Product	Purpose
O&O DiskImage	Backup and recovery of drives and complete systems
O&O SafeErase	Secure deletion of files, drives and entire computers
O&O Defrag	Storage optimization for PCs and servers
O&O DiskRecovery	Recovery of deleted files

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