

HPE Storage Fibre Channel Switch C-Series SN6720C



What's new

- HPE Storage Fibre Channel Switch C-Series SN6720C configurations.
- 8-port upgrade license.
- SKU options with up-front cost relief (designated by "v2" in descriptions).

Overview

Are you looking for a high-performance Fibre Channel (FC) switch for the modern SAN? The HPE Storage Fibre Channel Switch C-Series SN6720C delivers 64 or 32 Gbps Fibre Channel switching providing high-speed FC connectivity from the server rack to the SAN core. It empowers midsize, enterprise, and large enterprises that are rapidly deploying cloud-scale applications using extremely dense virtualized servers, providing the dual benefits of greater bandwidth and consolidation. The switch offers state-of-the-art analytics and telemetry capability built into its ASIC platform. For increased flexibility, the HPE Storage Fibre Channel Switch C-Series SN6720C is available partially populated or fully populated with either 64Gb or 32Gb transceivers. Additionally, investing in this switch for the lower-speed (32 Gbps) server rack gives you the flexibility to upgrade to 64 Gbps performance in the future.

Features

High Performance for All-flash Arrays and Virtualized Workloads

The HPE Storage Fibre Channel Switch C-Series SN6720C provides consistent 64 or 32 Gbps low-latency performance across every FC port on the switch.

Delivers increased performance with an aggregate bandwidth of 3-Tbps end-to-end full duplex for growing and dynamic workloads.

Delivers the same outstanding availability and reliability as the previous generation switch by providing optional redundancy on all major components such as power supplies and fans.

Provides visibility into each virtual machine logged into the fabric through host bus adapters (HBAs) capable of priority tagging the virtual machine identifier (VMID) on every FC frame.

Onboard hardware that protects the entire system from malicious attacks by limiting access to critical components such as the bootloader, system image loader, and Joint Test Action Group (JTAG) interface.

Investment Protection

Available with 32Gb FC SFP+ or 64Gb FC SFP+ optics to accommodate your budget.

Intelligent Network Services for Modern SAN

The HPE Storage Fibre Channel Switch C-Series SN6720C supports slow-drain detection and isolation, VSAN technology, access control lists for hardware-based intelligent frame processing, smart zoning, and other services.

The VSAN technology provides a cost-effective way to consolidate resources while providing high resiliency to potential fabric disruptions.

Provides powerful NX-API capabilities to enable flexible and rapid programming of utilities for the SAN.

Easy Manageability

Provides intelligent diagnostics tools such as Inter-Switch Link (ISL) and HBA diagnostics, remote SFP (read diagnostic parameter) diagnostics, remote port beaconing, and link-level forward error correction (FEC) for faster problem resolution and reduced service costs.

Consolidate separate physical SAN fabrics into one large fabric for ease of management and reduced total cost of ownership.

Nexus Dashboard Fabric Controller (NDFC) [1] software provides a centralized management tool with task-based wizards. These features are available with the HPE SN6710C/SN6720C Advantage license.

HPE C-series SAN Analytics delivers deep visibility into I/O traffic between the compute and the storage infrastructure. These features will be available with the HPE SN6710C/SN6720C Premier license (available at a future date).



Technical specifications**HPE Storage Fibre Channel Switch C-Series SN6720C**

Port speed	64Gbps Fibre Channel
Aggregate switch bandwidth	Aggregate bandwidth of 3-Tbps end-to-end full duplex
Encryption capability	Simple Network Management Protocol Version 3 (SNMPv3) implementing Advanced Encryption Standard (AES)
Protocol supported	Fibre Channel
Availability features	Delivers the same outstanding availability and reliability as the previous generation HPE C-series SN6620C Fibre Channel switches by providing optional redundancy on all major components such as power supplies and fans.
Form factor	1 Rack Unit (1RU)
Upgradability	Up to 48 SFP+ transceivers (choice of 32Gb or 64Gb)
Software (required)	NX-OS Release 9.3(1) or later.
Ports	48 ports up to 64Gb FC
Software (optional)	Premier subscription license (available at a future date) and Advantage subscription license. The Premier subscription license includes enterprise, NDFC and SAN analytics features, and the Advantage subscription license includes enterprise, and NDFC features.
Product dimensions (imperial)	1.72 in. x 17.299 in. x 18 in. excluding Power Supply Unit (PSU) and fan-tray handles.
Weight	21.8 lb

[1] Starting from release 12.0.1a, Cisco Data Center Network Manager (DCNM) is renamed Cisco Nexus Dashboard Fabric Controller (NDFC).



For additional technical information, available models and options, please reference the [QuickSpecs](#)

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