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Xerox WorkCentre 5325 Copier Xerox WorkCentre 5325 Copier/Printer/Scanner

25ppm

Xerox WorkCentre 5330 Copier Xerox WorkCentre 5330

Copier/Printer/Scanner

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Xerox WorkCentre 5335 Copier Xerox WorkCentre 5335

Copier/Printer/Scanner

35ppm

Sum-up: New small-to-medium workgroup models with very good multifunction features.

The machines in the WorkCentre 5300 family are an upgrade from the older WorkCentre 5200 models. Unlike those models, the 5300 family includes two 35ppm models and does not have the Copier/Printer configuration. The 5325 Copier (25ppm) lists for \$6,100, the 5330 (30ppm) Copier costs \$7,100, and the 5335 (35ppm) Copier is priced at \$8,100. These are very reasonable prices for small-to-medium workgroup ledger-size copier-multifunctionals.

The network-ready Copier/Printer/Scanner models allow you to add printing and scanning standard (they are optional on the Copier versions). Those models offer scan-to-email, scan-to-folder, and scan-to-PDF. Maximum duty cycles rated by Xerox are 100,000 pages for the 5325, 125,000 pages for the 5330, and 150,000 pages for the 5335 models. Faxing is optional on all models.

These models come with a 110-sheet duplexing automatic document feeder (DADF) for scanning two-sided originals. First-page-out time for copying is a very speedy 4.2 seconds on the 5325 and 5330 and 4.0 seconds on the 5335.

The paper supplies are also decent. The machines come with two 520-sheet trays and a 50-sheet bypass. Or you can choose a 2,000-sheet high-capacity tandem tray in lieu of the two 520-sheet tray. An optional 2,000-sheet high-capacity feeder is available. That adds up to a maximum of 5,090 sheets of input. An envelope feeder that holds up to 60 envelopes is also available.

On the output side, there is a dual catch tray, with 250 sheets each. You can choose between two finishers. The first, which Xerox calls the "Integrated Office Finisher," features 50-sheet single-position stapling and holds up to 500 sheets. A more robust option is the "Office Finisher LX," which features a 50-sheet multiposition stapler and a 2,000-sheet tray. You can add optional hole-punching and an optional booklet maker attachment, which can create up to 60-page booklets. A 50-sheet convenience stapler is also available.

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All models have a 160GB hard disk. The copier memory is 1GB. On the Copier/Printer/Scanner models, memory is 2GB if you purchase the optional PostScript kit.

The printing function supports both PCL and (optionally) PostScript. You can print up to 1,200dpi. Duplexing, secure print, and printing from USB drive are supported. Ethernet is supported.

The scanning function, as noted above, features scan-to-email, scan-to-folder, and scan-to-PDF.



Xerox WorkCentre 5335 - New medium-sized workgroup device with strong multifunctionality.

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800 247 2185 www.BetterBuys.com Color scanning is also supported. In addition to PDF, output formats include TIFF, JPEG, and XPS. The optional Network Scan kit supports text searchable PDF and Xerox's Scan to PC Desktop features. On all versions, ID card copy is supported, where an operator can scan both sides of a card on the platen in one operation.

An optional fax board allows for 33.6kbps walk-up faxing. Internet faxing and fax over IP are supported. LAN faxing and duplex faxing are optional.

Xerox offers a variety of remote management and security features, much as on other copiers in its line. Security features include hard disk encryption and image overwrite on all models, and LDAP authentication and audit log on the Copier/Printer/Scanner models.

Finally, new to this family, is Xerox's mobile print solution, which allows you to send print jobs from any mobile device.

Xerox keeps upgrading its whole product line, offering improved features at the same, or lower, prices. The WorkCentre 5300 machines are no exception. The copier-only models might be especially attractive for those who need high copier functionality, but for security reasons, do not want network connectivity. We give the WorkCentre 5300 family our Editor's Choice Award.





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Vendor Profile

Xerox pioneered the office copier and remains a dominant force in the industry. Traditionally, its main strength has been the high-volume sector of the market. These days, its midvolume models are tempting propositions as well, and the company has demonstrated that it wants to dominate this level of the market.

Doing business with Xerox: Xerox enjoys considerable loyalty among large organizations that want one-stop shopping for all their copiers in multiple locations. The sheer extent and variety of its product range remain unmatched in the industry. And its prices can be highly competitive when it's bidding for major-account business.

Keep in mind that local districts are more autonomous than they used to be. Each operates as a business in its own right, buying copiers from Xerox centrally, selling them locally, and also selling used equipment back to Xerox.

EIP (Extensible Imaging Platform): This programmable interface is now found on most model lines. It allows third parties to embed software inside the copier's controller, which means it can appear on the copier's control panel. These enhancements can range from turning complex workflows into simple menu choices to enabling individual preferences by swiping an ID card.

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