

# Which collaboration model fits your business?

Choose the right solution for you:  
**Cloud, On-premise or Hybrid.**

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Do you require full control over all data and systems?

Yes

No

Do you have dedicated IT staff to take care of back-end details and to configure, manage and support?

Yes

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No

Yes

Do you have the financial resources to invest in infrastructure?

Yes

No

Can you rethink if you need full control?

No

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Yes

No

## The Hybrid model

Hybrid provides the **best of both worlds**, where your business applications can be **stored where they thrive best** allowing you to **maximize the benefits of both cloud and premise-based hosting**. Hybrid also allows businesses to **embrace cloud for the first-time** and test the waters.

## The On-premise model

The **On-premise** model fits **businesses of all sizes**. It best fits an established business that either has **already invested in infrastructure** or has **resources available for investment**, which includes **dedicated IT staff** to configure, manage and support the technology. While this model requires a large upfront cost, it is recommended for businesses that want to **retain a high level of control** on data and it holds a large volume of highly sensitive data that needs to be **preserved, stored and handled internally**.

## The Cloud model

The **Cloud** model fits **businesses of all sizes**, but is more apt for businesses that are **growing**, have **changing business needs** or have **limited resources** available for investment. Not only does Cloud Collaboration offer an **affordable communication option** that is **flexible, scalable and secure**, it also helps **prevent incremental investment** (such as hardware, space or licensing fees) and need for **dedicated resources** to constantly maintain, manage and support the infrastructure. No more worrying about **upgrades** or **new versions** as they are **taken care of by Allstream**. Cloud collaboration is a **fully managed solution** with a **predictable monthly fee**.

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