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# Cloud Access Optimization for Office 365

With Office 365, Microsoft has taken bold steps to change its game, and in doing so, has changed the game for thousands of organizations and millions of Office users who can benefit from lower costs, hassle-free maintenance and anywhere-access to these critical business applications. But is your Internet access infrastructure ready for the Office 365 game changer?

## Cloud Hurdles of Office 365

While the potential benefits of Office 365 are clear, organizations need to consider the impact on their network of moving these services to the cloud. Microsoft has taken the lead in raising awareness about the potential effects of Office 365, saying “Using Office 365 service offerings may increase your organization’s Internet traffic, so it is important to evaluate and assess the network impact of the services.”<sup>1</sup> Microsoft further explained that, “Email traffic with Exchange hybrid deployment and directory synchronization activity has the most impact on bandwidth.” In short, organizations can expect a noticeable increase in Internet traffic after migrating users to Office 365 – as much as 500% for applications like Outlook.<sup>2</sup>

Before you trust your critical Microsoft Office applications to the cloud, make sure your cloud access infrastructure is optimized to prevent saturation of your Internet bandwidth resources.

### The Allot Advantage

- Visibility to **plan ahead** and **reduce costs** with application-aware monitoring and usage reporting before and after migration to Office 365
- Ensure **predictable quality of experience** for Office 365 users without changes to existing network infrastructure
- Protect user endpoints against malware and audit Office 365 transactions for **security and regulatory compliance**

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## Cloud Access Optimization for Office 365

Allot Cloud Access Optimization solutions meet the performance challenges of Office 365, supporting enterprises throughout the migration process. Before moving these critical applications to the cloud, Allot provides an accurate picture of the individual usage and bandwidth consumption of on-premises MS Office applications. Armed with this IT intelligence enterprises can plan a smooth transition to Office 365 and implement application-aware traffic management policies to deliver predictable performance for Office 365 users. After migration, continuous usage monitoring and dynamic QoS control helps you troubleshoot degradations, optimize bandwidth utilization, and audit and secure every transaction - per user, per location, and per Office 365 application. Allot Cloud Access Optimization is easy to deploy, manage and scale and its operation is transparent to users. Moreover, its unified platform is built for fast and simple integration of valuable security services for Office 365 users.

<sup>1</sup> <https://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/library/hh852542.aspx>

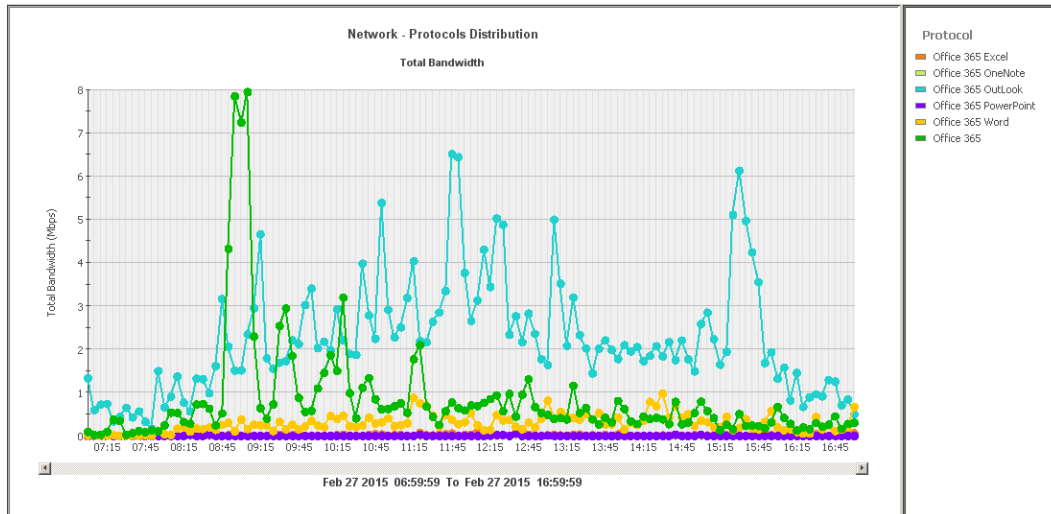
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## Key Benefits

### Visibility to Plan Ahead, Reduce Costs

Granular visibility per Office 365 application, user, endpoint, and location with continuous real-time monitoring and long-term reporting enables highly efficient troubleshooting, dynamic QoS management, and accurate capacity planning. Allot identifies Office 365 Excel, OneNote, Outlook, PowerPoint, and Word application usage as well as MS Lync. Accurate visibility enables IT staff to pinpoint service degradation and to quickly resolve the problem at its source.



### Control to Ensure Predictable Quality of Experience

Allot Cloud Access Optimization solutions enable enterprises to allocate dedicated resources to Office 365 users and applications— each with its own SLA that is individually monitored, controlled and secured. As a result, Office 365 applications and users no longer compete with other applications for bandwidth and QoS.

### Security to Protect Network and Endpoints

Allot's Cloud Access Optimization protects cloud data center infrastructure and users from Internet-originated DDoS attacks and malware infections that degrade application performance and user productivity. Allot's suite of security-as-a service modules mitigate DDoS attacks within minutes and prevent malware and viruses from compromising user endpoints.

### Seamless Operation

Deployed at the Internet and WAN access edge of enterprise networks, Allot transforms the basic connectivity of your access infrastructure into an application-aware and user-aware resource that connects people with Office 365 applications efficiently and effectively.

## Assure Office 365 performance for your business with Allot Cloud Access Optimization



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