

# HWMonitor - Free and popular system monitoring tool

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## What is HWMonitor?

HWMonitor is a free and lightweight software that can help you monitor the hardware components of your Windows computer. With this monitoring tool, you can access essential information about your system's voltages, temperatures, and fan speeds. It can also help you learn about your PC's energy usage. Developed by CPUID, HWMonitor has a simple interface and is compatible with popular sensors and modern CPUs.

Once you have completed downloading HWMonitor, you will be able to view all the recorded data in a clear and simple graph, with recommended minimum and maximum parameters for each category. Some alternatives that can also help you monitor your Windows computer are MotherBoard Monitor, Core Temp, and SpeedFan.

However, users should note that the software only provides information about the health status of the components. It does not address any issues that may arise. Additionally, the software displays the information in the main window and does not share any additional details, making it difficult for beginners to fully understand the data the tool provides.

The screenshot shows the CPUID HWMonitor application window. The interface includes a menu bar (File, View, Tools, Help) and a main data table. The data is organized into a tree view on the left and a corresponding table on the right. The tree view shows 'FILEHIPPO' as the root, with sub-items for 'Intel Core i5' and 'Battery'. Under 'Intel Core i5', there are sections for 'Voltages', 'Temperatures', 'Clocks', and 'Utilizations'. Under 'Battery', there are sections for 'Voltages', 'Capacities', and 'Levels'.

Sensor	Value	Min	Max
<b>FILEHIPPO</b>			
<b>Intel Core i5</b>			
<b>Voltages</b>			
IA Offset	+0.000 V	+0.000 V	+0.000 V
GT Offset	+0.000 V	+0.000 V	+0.000 V
LLC/Ring Offset	+0.000 V	+0.000 V	+0.000 V
System Agent Offset	+0.000 V	+0.000 V	+0.000 V
<b>Temperatures</b>			
Core #0	83 °C (181 °F)	82 °C (179 °F)	100 °C (212 °F)
Core #1	84 °C (183 °F)	83 °C (181 °F)	100 °C (212 °F)
Package	83 °C (181 °F)	82 °C (179 °F)	100 °C (212 °F)
<b>Clocks</b>			
Core #0	2599 MHz	2596 MHz	2617 MHz
Core #1	2599 MHz	2596 MHz	2612 MHz
<b>Utilizations</b>			
UC	29 %	6 %	100 %
CPU #0	21 %	7 %	100 %
CPU #1	57 %	4 %	100 %
<b>Battery</b>			
<b>Voltages</b>			
Current Voltage	12.871 V	12.871 V	12.871 V
<b>Capacities</b>			
Designed Capacity	100000 mWh	100000 mWh	100000 mWh
Full Charge Capacity	100000 mWh	100000 mWh	100000 mWh
Current Capacity	100000 mWh	100000 mWh	100000 mWh
<b>Levels</b>			
Charge Level	100 %	100 %	100 %

## Why use HWMonitor?

The main reason you should use HWMonitor is that it is small. The basic layout of the dashboard design makes it easy to scroll and find the data you need. You won't get lost or overwhelmed by other features. It's relatively easy to see all the hardware information you need on one screen without having to do too much searching.

The screenshot displays the CPUID Hardware Monitor PRO application window. The interface is organized into a tree view on the left and a data table on the right. The tree view shows the system hierarchy: Desktop (DESKTOP-MJHQ25) > Micro-Star International Co. Ltd. > Voltages > Temperatures > Fans > Utilizations > Intel Core i9 9900K > Voltages > Temperatures > Powers > Utilizations.

Sensor	Value	Min	Max
DESKTOP-MJHQ25 (192.168.1.26)			
Micro-Star International Co. Ltd.			
Voltages			
VIN7	1.072 V	1.072 V	1.072 V
CPU VCORE	0.749 V	0.739 V	1.200 V
DRAM	1.200 V	1.200 V	1.200 V
+12V	12.192 V	12.192 V	12.192 V
+5V	5.040 V	5.040 V	5.040 V
CPU I/O	1.000 V	0.992 V	1.000 V
PCH	1.064 V	1.064 V	1.064 V
+3.3V	3.344 V	3.344 V	3.360 V
CPU IO	0.948 V	0.947 V	0.948 V
CPU SA	1.043 V	1.043 V	1.043 V
Temperatures			
TZ00	27.8 °C	27.8 °C	27.8 °C
MOS	35.0 °C	35.0 °C	36.0 °C
System	28.0 °C	28.0 °C	28.0 °C
CPU Socket	27.0 °C	27.0 °C	27.0 °C
CPU Core	28.0 °C	28.0 °C	34.0 °C
Fans			
CPU	187 RPM	187 RPM	192 RPM
SYS fan 4	716 RPM	707 RPM	734 RPM
SYS fan 3	852 RPM	833 RPM	852 RPM
SYS fan 1	813 RPM	813 RPM	818 RPM
SYS fan 5	807 RPM	805 RPM	826 RPM
Utilizations			
System Memory	12 %	12 %	12 %
Intel Core i9 9900K			
Voltages			
Temperatures			
Package	28.0 °C	27.0 °C	40.0 °C
Core #0	27.0 °C	26.0 °C	40.0 °C
Core #1	29.0 °C	27.0 °C	38.0 °C
Core #2	26.0 °C	25.0 °C	40.0 °C
Core #3	25.0 °C	25.0 °C	39.0 °C
Core #4	26.0 °C	25.0 °C	39.0 °C
Core #5	25.0 °C	25.0 °C	38.0 °C
Core #6	27.0 °C	26.0 °C	40.0 °C
Core #7	26.0 °C	26.0 °C	44.0 °C
Powers			
Package	15.13 W	12.81 W	32.17 W
IA Cores	4.28 W	1.95 W	22.95 W
Uncore	10.84 W	9.22 W	10.91 W
DRAM	0.94 W	0.90 W	1.03 W
Utilizations			
Processor	0 %	0 %	4 %

Log Status: OFF | 0 connection | CAP NUM

Another reason to use HWMonitor is that it is updated regularly. While many other CPU monitoring tools are updated inconsistently, HWMonitor gets new updates every few months. Regular patches help improve the monitoring experience and eliminate bugs found by users.

In addition to HWMonitor's technical capabilities, its low price is another reason to consider it. The standard version of HWMonitor is free, making it accessible to small and medium-sized organizations. However, there is also a Hardware Monitor Pro version that includes additional logging, remote operation, and graphing capabilities. HWMonitor Pro costs \$22.40 for 10 remote connections and \$39.33 for up to 20 remote connections.

## Features of HWMonitor

## **Simple interface**

Although the interface is clear and simple, beginners may still get a little confused. This is because all the information about the health status of the computer is displayed in the main window and this information is constantly updated in real time. However, after using the application for a while, you will be able to glance at and understand the parameters easily.

Additionally, you will be able to save the data available on the screen as a TXT file. You can clear the bar that displays the minimum and maximum readings, check for driver updates, and see if there is a new version of the software. If you want additional features, you can opt for the paid version of the HWMonitor software.

## **2 flexible installation options**

HWMonitor is available in two versions – installer and portable. If you choose the installer, you will go through a short setup process to install the software on your Windows computer. Once done, you will be able to launch the application and read the data from the main window. If you choose the portable version of HWMonitor, you can put the application on a USB stick and use it directly on any PC.

Once downloaded, HWMonitor will scan your computer and display the readings of your hardware components for your reference. Additionally, each component displays a number of parameters that you might be interested in. Since the application organizes the information in a tree-like structure, you can easily expand each category to gain access to additional information.

## **Safe to download and use**

HWMonitor is just like any other hardware monitoring tool available in the market. With its help, you can easily get information about your PC components like voltage, wattage, temperature, and fan speed. You can also get data related to your computer's hard drive, CPU, monitor, and video card. Once installed, the software only scans your PC and does not make any changes. This makes HWMonitor a safe choice to download and use. However, users should note that the software only works on certain models and brands.

## **A free option worth considering**

HWMonitor developed by CPUID is free to download and use. It does not have any hidden costs or additional fees. It also does not display any advertisements. However, the only limitation is that the software only displays information and does not provide any functionality to troubleshoot any issues that may arise. In case you want additional features, you can opt for HWMonitor Pro, the paid version of the HWMonitor software.

## **Should I download HWMonitor?**

The only problem with HWMonitor is that it only shows you data points like temperature, voltage, and frequency. It doesn't have the in-depth monitoring features that other competitors offer. Likewise, it doesn't have the production values ??or visualization features of some other popular hardware monitoring vendors.

But if you are looking for a simple system monitoring software, download HWMonitor. It is a lightweight application that can help you get the necessary information about your system hardware components such as

temperature, power supply, fan speed, CPU, etc. Moreover, the software updates this information in real-time and provides some basic functions. It also has a simple, clean interface and provides minimum and maximum parameter thresholds for each component.

#### Advantage

1. Free to download and use
2. Allows users to monitor hardware components
3. Present information in a clear chart

#### Disadvantages

1. Limited functionality
2. Unable to resolve PC problem
3. Difficult for beginners

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